



VANCOUVER YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

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VYSA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Aug 8th, 2022

Time: 7:00 pm (Virtual meeting via ZOOM)

Members in attendance:

David Valinho	Chair
Mike Rudd	Treasurer
Ewen Cameron	Risk Manager
Adam Sewell	VP Boys
Darren Sherbot	Field Coordinator
Steven Yueng	Scheduling and RIC Liaison
Rob Cadez	Discipline
Becki Wong	Director
John De Hart	Scholarships

Regrets:

Olecia Walker	VP Girls
Sev Araujo	AGM Coordinator
Sarah Nicalo	Scholarships – Sarah formally resigned from VYSA board as of Aug 1 st .

Admin in attendance:

Gordon Quan	VYSA Registrar, Field Scheduler
Bradley Smith	Referee-In-Chief

Admin regrets:

None

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm by David Valinho – Chair

Agenda:

Motion to approve revised agenda:

- Motioned by Rob; seconded by Mike
- No discussion
- Motion carried unanimously. Chair did not vote.

Meeting Minutes:

July 11th, 2022 meeting minutes sent in advance for review.

- Motion to approve – Mike; seconded by Rob
- No discussion
- Motion carried - 1 abstention – none opposed. Chair did not vote.



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Fields Report – Gordon + Darren

- Darren Submitted written report in advance.
- Trillium AT Field damaged. VPB expects field to be repaired by Sept, which will relieve pressure on field scheduling.
- Douglas Park West grass field will be closed for maintenance.
- Vancouver United provided an update on their access to UBC fields.
- There may be a shortage of artificial turf capacity in the fall, which may result in teams being allocated games on grass or gravel fields.
- Survey was sent to all VYSA member clubs, and six clubs responded with their field preferences. Van United expected to send in their preferences this week.
- Field committee will meet in August to make final game field allocation decisions.
- The VYSA remains committed to accommodating all clubs to fairly allocate VYSA permitted fields for BCCSL scheduled games.

Registrar's report - Gordon

- Gordon submitted verbal report
- Registration activity ongoing – 215 teams submitted for BCCSL league play.
- No further discussion

RIC Report – Bradley

- Bradley submitted verbal report
- Planning pre-season referee meeting for last week of Aug or first week of Sept.
- Sent out a call to all VYSA district referees for their intent to return for the 2022-23 season.
- Working with BC Soccer to set up refresher clinics before the start of the new season.
- Two new referee administrators hired by BC Soccer
- Steve offered to coordinate with Bradley to set up development clinics for new referees.

Chair report – David

- David submitted verbal report
- Updated board on the upcoming BC Soccer SGM to address BCSA voting structure. David will circulate information related to the SGM to the VYSA board in advance to coordinate consensus on how to vote.
- Sarah Nicalo submitted her formal written resignation from the VYSA board as of Aug 1st, 2022.

At this point in the meeting, Gordon & Bradley dropped off the call.



Committee #9 - Non-affiliated club/academy policy - partnering with a grassroots member club

- Ewen (chair) – Mike, David
- Discussed the Marpole-Fusion partnership as described on the respective Marpole & Fusion websites.
- Marpole submitted five Fusion Selects teams for consideration to the BCCSL.
- Marpole submitted three exclusively Marpole teams for the BCCSL. This is below the minimum of four U13-U18 teams required for minimum VYSA membership.
- Extensive discussion followed.
- There was consensus among the VYSA directors that Fusion & Marpole were attempting to circumvent VYSA policy to enter Fusion teams into the district without Fusion being a member.
- There was consensus that neither Fusion nor Marpole attempted any collaborative discussions with the VYSA in advance of their partnership announcement and submission of Fusion teams.
- There was consensus that Fusion was recently declined membership to the VYSA and is not in good standing with the VYSA.

The following MOTION was put forward:

- a. *Fusion be limited to operating the grandfathered “Metro” teams, BC SPL teams and its own academy independent of any VYSA club. VYSA players could attend Fusion academy and play for Fusion BC SPL teams.*
 - b. *No VYSA Club may associate with Fusion FC in any soccer related activity without prior written approval of the VYSA Board.*
 - The motion was seconded
 - Further discussion followed
 - Motion carried – Six in favor, two abstentions, chair did not vote.
- Board agreed to review Marpole’s membership with the VYSA and send a formal letter requiring Marpole to provide the following information:
 - Proof of filing of the affiliated club’s Society Annual Report
 - Proof of most recent AGM, including associated minutes
 - 2021-22 Compilation Engagement Statements, prepared by a licensed CPA
 - Copy of Fusion-Marpole agreement or written confirmation that no such agreement exists.



Treasurer's report – Mike

- Mike submitted written report and draft financial statements in advance.
- Will deliver cheque to Vancouver Parks Board this week for Fall VYSA field permits.

MOTION: To accept the final 2021-22 Compilation Engagement Statements from Smythe CPA.

- Motioned by Mike
- Seconded by David
- No further discussion
- Motion carried unanimously. Chair did not vote.

Committee #1 - Fusion Communication (*Ewen (Chair), Becki (Vice Chair), David, John R.*) - **No report**

Committee #2 – New Membership Policy (*Ewen (Chair), Becki (Vice Chair), David, Mike*) - **No report**

Committee #3 – Scholarship (*John D., Sarah*) - **No report**

Committee #4 – Discipline (*Rob (Chair), Ewen, Adam, David, John D., Sarah*) - **No report**

Committee #5 – Non-Affiliated Club and Academy Policy (*Rob, Ewen, David, Mike, Darren*) - **No report**

Committee #6 – Game Day Field Allocations (*Darren, John D., Olecia, Sev, Rob, Gordon, David*)

- Covered under Field Report. No further discussion.

Committee #7 – New Membership Applications (*Sev, Ewen, Mike, John R., Becki, David*). – **No report**

Committee #8 – Hiring Committee (*Sarah, John D., Ewen, David*) – **No report**

Committee #10 – Explore Vancouver-based tournament for 2023 (*Adam (chair), Mike, Steve, Rob, Darren, David*) – **No report**

New Business

- No new business
- Next meeting scheduled for September 12th.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm