



**Vancouver Youth Soccer Association  
Board & Club Presidents Meeting Minutes: January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

Regrets: Peter MacDonald, David Joseph, Jamie Cirotto (ICSF), Chris Merritt (Killarney)

Absent:

Present (VYSA): Brienna Greenaway, Lizette Berdahl, Jackie Larson, Michelle Chui, Steven Minns, Pat Banks, Tom Madden, Marc Bowley, Susan Dhillon, Thomas de Luca, Geoffrey Hansen, Floyd Salazar

Present (Club Presidents): Dan Getz 9VAFC), Joe Martins (KLM), Peter Delaney (VUFC), Susan Dhillon (Marpole)

Guest: Jennifer Keith (VYSA Rep to the BCSA Women's 2015 Legacy Committee)

Meeting was called to order by Jackie Larson at 7:07pm

Mark Philips has resigned from the VYSA Board as ~~Chair of the board~~.

MOTION: To accept Jackie Larson as Acting Chair. Michelle/Floyd. Carried.

**Minutes** - MOTION: to adopt the minutes from the board meeting of November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Tom/Floyd. Carried.

Jennifer Keith was introduced. The Women's World Cup is being held in Vancouver next year and Jennifer is involved in using the event to promote the game of soccer. Jennifer will be contacting clubs towards the end of January with respect to end of season events. There's some existing money that has to be spent by March, 2015. Women's team players will endeavor to attend some of the events.

**Officer's Reports:**

**Health & Welfare** – Jackie Larson. Nothing to report.

**Treasurer's Report** – Geoffrey Hansen.

A draft projected budget was circulated. Notes on the draft budget are contained in the email from Geoff, dated January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Two scenarios were presented, one with a reduction in club affiliation fees of \$5k associated with the reduction of the Van FC subsidy. The club presidents generally agreed that the club fees should be reduced. Pat suggested that the VYSA overhead could be reduced. Jackie will check the past minutes to clarify the distribution of the remaining \$10,000.00.

Action: Geoff will prepare specific recommendations based on this scenario and will circulate. The VYSA Board will vote on the proposals at the next VYSA Board meeting.

A request was made to the clubs to issue separate cheques for items such as affiliation and turf field charges, etc.

MOTION: To accept the Treasurer's report. Tom/Brienna. Carried.

**Scheduler & Registration** – Pat Banks. Report ~~issued~~ circulated. Registration has increased significantly with 79 new players since December. Seating for B cup and Div 2 & 3 cup for girls is to be raised at a meeting prior to the start of new season to avoid games played on gravel.

MOTION: To accept the Scheduling/Registration report. Tom/Steven. Carried.

**Referee-in-Chief** - Marc Bowley.

There has been a sudden increase in coaches verbally abusing referees. Moreover, there have been instances of players aged 16 and up talking to referees, particularly when those referees are female. Referees will be told to report all instances of this kind and Marc made assurances that appropriate action will be taken. The VYSA Boys' Discipline Chair will be contacting the clubs over bad behavior received on game reports (actions that do not result in ejections requiring a hearing).

MOTION: To accept the Referee-in-Chief's report. Lizette/Floyd. Carried.

**4District Boys Discipline** – Jackie Larson. Disciplinary hearings are at case #75. Mid-season discipline reports for 4D boys and VYSA boys have been circulated to clubs.

Circulating Adult Discipline: Jackie sent an email out (dated Jan 15, 2014) with an attached letter from BC Soccer which summarizes the present position. Jackie will be taking the VYSA proposal to circulate adult discipline (albeit not on the website) to the 4D board District Chairs' meeting and will advise further in due course.

MOTION: to accept 4D boys discipline report. Jackie/Tom. Carried.

**4District Boys Rep** – Pat Banks. Reported that G. Riddell would be paid for data entry at \$12.00 per team for U13-U18 and \$10.00 per team for U11 & 12.

**VC Girls & Girl Discipline** - David Joseph. Nothing to report.

**BCC Girls** – Michelle Chui. Report issued.

Michelle will liaise with Pat regarding fields for the League Championship Finals on March 8/9.

MOTION: To accept the BCC Girls Report. Floyd/Lizette. Carried.

**VC Boys** – Peter MacDonald. Nothing to report.

**U11/U12 Scheduler** - Floyd Salazar. Report issued.

Comments were invited on the interlocking for North Shore. It was generally agreed to be a good idea and it will be put forward at the 4D meeting.

MOTION: To accept the U11/U12 Scheduler's Report. Floyd/Lizette. Carried.

**Parks/Field liaison** –Floyd Salazar. Report issued.

MOTION: To accept the Parks/Field liaison Rep's Report. Floyd/Lizette. Carried.

**Van FC Rep** - Lizette Berdahl. Nothing to report.

**MSL Report** – Tom Madden.

Tom described the unsatisfactory situation of the scheduling of cup games during spring break. The solution is to delay the first round to April 6-8 and the Coastal Cup Committee needs to agree to this. Action: Tom and Jackie will write a letter to the committee.

With respect to the ongoing issue of players being taken out of the MSL mid-season for the Premier League, Tom will be meeting with BCSA on January 21<sup>st</sup> 2014.

MOTION: To accept the MSL Rep's Report. Floyd/Lizette. Carried.

**Risk Management**– Brienna Greenaway.

Criminal record checks. It is the clubs' responsibility to ensure that the checks are carried out. Record checks are good for 3 years. Clubs need to register with the new system which can take 10-15 days or longer to complete the checks.

MOTION: To accept the Risk Management Report. Floyd/Lizette. Carried.

**U13-U18 Referee Scheduler** - Nothing to report.

**Mini/In house discipline** - Nothing to report.

**BC Summer Games** - Susan Dhillon and Thomas de Luca. An update has been issued via email.

MOTION: To accept the BC Summer Games Report. Floyd/Lizette. Carried.

**Webmaster** – Nothing to report

**Scholarships** – Jackie and Steven will discuss sending out invitations for scholarship applications.

MOTION: To accept all officer reports. Floyd/Lizette. Carried.

**Old Business**

~~Distributing Adult discipline—See under 4District Boys Discipline.~~

**VYSA Privacy Policy:**

The revised *VYSA Privacy policy* for the 14/15 season. ~~Jackie and Pat now have passwords on their computers.~~

Everyone should have a computer password and attach the “waiver” wording to the bottom of their outgoing emails.

MOTION: To accept the current draft VYSA Privacy policy with the removal of the final paragraph.

Steven/Geoffrey. Carried.

**Performance Bond Infraction:**

Re-visit of “lack of game ball” as a Performance Bond fine. MOTION: To remove the lack of game ball from the list of infractions requiring a performance bond fine from ‘14/’15 season and to not enforce this particular infraction for the remainder of the current season. Floyd/Brienna. Carried.

**New Business.** Nothing to report.

MOTION: to adjourn at 9.15 – Jackie/Steven. Carried.

**NEXT VYSA BOARD MEETING – Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, Tai Kong Church**

**NEXT VYSA BOARD/CLUB PRESIDENTS MEETING – May 19<sup>th</sup> 7pm, Tai Kong Church**

**Note:**

Tentative date for the VYSA AGM is Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, Kensington Community Center

Submitted by Steven Minns, Secretary VYSA