



VANCOUVER YOUTH SOCCER MARCH 20, 2017 BOARD MINUTES

Regrets: Glyn Roberts, Wetzel Pickering, Jaiden Simmons

Present: Floyd Salazar, Susan Dhillon, Kieran Siddall, Steven Chang, Tom Madden, Sue Sinclair, Randy Finlay, Jackie Larson and Klaus Iden

Meeting called to order at 7:02 by the Chair, Floyd Salazar.

No Board minutes due to the cancellation of the February meeting.

Treasurer's Report: The clubs have been reimbursed for referee fees due to the snowed-out weekends.

A Notice-to-Reader is nearing completion for 14/15 & 15/16.

MOTION: For the Treasurer to arrange to also have a notice-to-reader started for the 16/17 season. Kieran/Tom – carried.

MOTION: To accept the Income Statement & Balance Sheet to Feb. 28, '17. Susan/Tom – carried.

4D Boys' Discipline – finished the season with 98 cases.

In absence of a report from Wetzel, Floyd reported that **BCCGSL** is changing the terminology for U13 girls from division 1-2-3 to 1A-1B, 2A-2B with B being the recreational team.

He spoke to Jose Branco about contacting him in April about the **ref pool** – not being used effectively in the system.

Susan said that Randy reached out to be a ref at the **4D Finals** and wasn't contacted. A discussion ensued about how the referees are being assigned for the boys' finals and Jackie will bring it up to the league. It should be noted that districts are contacted for a list and the games are usually assigned to the younger referees to give them exposure.

VC Boys' Chair: Susan reported that VYSA facilitated a meeting with Club Technical Directors and that Jason has invited them to Fusion tryouts; communication has improved.

Field Scheduler/Registration: Report circulated. With the Cascadia Spring League it means the season is extended for appointed workers like Pat (registration) and Anu (photo ID) although Anu said that she would be available sporadically.

U11/U12 In-District teams' Scheduler: Floyd will no longer be responsible for scheduling these age groups. BCCGSL has their own program, 4D needs to implement a program (with the loss of the George Riddell program).

Parks & Field Liaison: multiple sports are competing for time on the fields and it's becoming a challenge. Vancouver Field Sports Federation (*The Vancouver Field Sports Federation works with the Vancouver Park Board and staff to develop, maintain, and schedule the use of sport field facilities.*

The Federation helps keep Vancouver's fields in good condition. The Federation's membership includes representatives from organized baseball, football (tackle, touch, flag), cricket, field hockey, field lacrosse, rugby, soccer, softball, track, ultimate (disc sports), and volleyball leagues. Meetings are held approximately four times a year with an Annual General Meeting in October or November. These meetings are open to interested parties.)

Floyd reported that each sport is entitled to have one delegate and an alternate each for youth and adult.

Kieran suggested that their C & Bylaws be checked regarding representation but they couldn't be found on their site.

ACTION ITEM: Floyd – do you have a copy?

Floyd has been the district rep for 5 years and would like to step down but will continue until he can be replaced.

ACTION ITEM: Who will do this?? Tom suggested that a letter should be sent to the VFSF discussing the apparent break-down of the Federation and the dilution of the representation. If inadequate or no response is forthcoming then the next step would be to contact the Parks Board.

Maybe address it at the May 15th Board/Club Presidents' meeting to stress that anyone representing soccer should be for the entire city not just individual clubs.

ACTION ITEM: Floyd to do a job description re time involved in both the U11/U12 In-House Scheduler and Parks/Field Liaison positions.

Van FC Report: Sue reported that the club was considering a 3rd mandatory practice a week but there was some pushback regarding the extra cost and given the sentiments at the SGM they will not be implementing it this coming season.

MSL Report: report circulated by Tom. The league doesn't allow forfeitures and some teams were scheduled to play 2 weekend and 1 mid-week game and some were refusing to play. MSL is looking at a new commercial scheduling system and will run U13-U18 teams.

Webmaster: Klaus has concerns about people leaving key positions and the district not being able to fill those jobs.

MOTION: To change the website & domain "owner" from Klaus Iden to Vancouver Youth Soccer Association. Keiran/Tom – carried.

ACTION ITEM: Klaus should document what he does in order to show someone else what's involved re: performance bond deductions from the clubs and referee game reports, (structure and components, etc.) The website will need an editor once Klaus leaves the position. We need to look at costs of outsourcing. Sue to work with Klaus.

Scholarships: notice has been circulated to the clubs and on the website and Pat has sent directly to the U18 team officials. Due date is April 15th. Committee is Floyd, Glyn and Kieran.

Nil reports: Health & Welfare, RIC, VC Girls', Girls' Discipline, U13-U18 Scheduler, U13-U18 Referee Scheduler, Risk Management, Mini/in-house Discipline, BC Summer Games and Old Business.

MOTION: To accept the reports. Susan/Sue – carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

C & Bylaws committee members are: Jackie, Susan and Kieran.

ACTION ITEM: Jackie will upload the existing C & Bylaws to the Society site. DONE 3/26/17

BCSA will be providing a template for districts, adult leagues and clubs at which time a new C & Bylaws will be presented for the May, 2018 AGM.

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4D Boys' acceptance of Tri-Cities for the '17/'18 playing season: has been discussed by the District Chairs' and will be ratified at the March 27th 4D meeting. U12-18 teams with at least Bronze being scheduled geographically. Additional information will be forthcoming.

4D Boys' Update on Promotion/Relegation: as there wasn't agreement by the District Chairs' on all aspects of the proposal it remains the status-quo. To be revisited at a later date.

One-league concept (8 districts) for Boys and Girls: 5-district wanted out of administration, two meetings held so far; one league to administer for Boys and Girls from MSL-down although it will likely be split into two groups, one for boys & one for girls. BCSA is aware of the intent; there should be some documentation by June.

Susan: brought forth a discussion re: associate membership applications. What would be the criteria to approve or deny? Historical involvement that would involve Vancouver players or local support

MOTION: Authorize the VYSA Executive to determine whether associate memberships should be authorized by the district. Tom/Sue – carried.

VYSA AGM – to give Steven sufficient time to produce financials (since we're having the Notice-to-Reader done for the '16/'17 season) will be scheduled for Tuesday, May 23rd at Kensington CC.

ACTION ITEM: Jackie to book.

Nominating Committee: Ask Pat if she will circulate a notice to the clubs asking for people to run for the board.

Up for Re-election:

Randy Finlay, Tom Madden, Glyn Roberts, Floyd Salazar, Jaiden Simmons + one 2-year term position.

One-Year Left in their term:

Steven Chang, Susan Dhillon, Jackie Larson, Wetzel Pickering, Kieran Siddall, Sue Sinclair

IMPORTANT ACTION ITEM: by not later than April 3rd, Jackie requires confirmation of directors who are re-running/not running/or anyone on a one-year term who will not be fulfilling their term before sending the list to Pat for circulation to the clubs requesting names of people who are interested in running for the board.

Motion to adjourn at 8:47 – Kieran/Susan – carried.

Next meetings:

VYSA Board meeting – Monday, April 24th – note change from previous minutes.

Board/Club Presidents' Meeting – Monday, May 15th

VYSA Annual General Meeting – Tuesday, May 23rd – Kensington Community Center 7-9pm

(Board members are to arrive at 6:30 for set-up.)

Submitted by Jackie Larson