CENTRAL OKANAGAN YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION



District Board Meeting: Thursday, March 8, 2018 7:00pm COYSA Boardroom, Kelowna, BC MINUTES

APPROVED (as is/as amended): April 08, 2018 Motion #1020

CALL TO ORDER: Roll Call

Dan Tauber, COYSA Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:03pm Present: Bruce Clark (Discipline), Al Ryder (Referees), Sheryl Turner (Administrator) Voting Members Present: Bruce Clarke

Carrie Smith Francisco Rubio Jason Scott Jenn Bernier Jon McClenaghan Mike Jilek Scott Percival Sean Irvine

Total Votes = 9

Regrets: Winston Morgan, Jae Southward, Dan Rodgers, Curtis Morcom (Treasurer)

PRESENTATION OF AGENDA

APPROVAL of MINUTES of the February 8, 2018 regular board meeting

March 08, 2018 Motion #1017 It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of the February 8, 2018 regular board meeting as presented. Carried unanimously.

DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE REPORT – written report. Used to mostly have trouble with players but the last couple of years it's been more coaches and parents. Discipline reps will talk at Coach meetings. If there is an issue with a ref, send the information the next day to the Referee-in-Chief. Some people can't control themselves in the heat of the moment and forget these are just kids. There's spin off too: the coach questioning calls shows lack of respect for refs, the players see that and follow along. Most player yellow cards are for 'beaking off' at the referee and it comes from seeing coaches do it. Discipline is private and names are not made public. A coach constantly after a ref, yelling at them, questioning them can be seen as bullying. Golden rule: treat others they way they want to be treated. Stop the constant bickering and complaining, have respect for authority in the game. Would they speak that way to a police officer? The ref is the police officer of the game. Stop intimidating the ref. Don't try to manipulate them; Zero tolerance includes no talking before, during or after. No matter what you see, you must not say anything. If ref does a tremendous job, let Al know that as well. Coaches are responsible for the parents on their side. Regarding coaches where there's been an issue, we don't know when choosing coaches and maybe we don't necessarily want them coaching. There is a list only Administrator has that can't be published but a group can ask if a coach is on it. As an organization, have we sent anything out that states our expectations like overall respect; 24 hour rule; no talking to ref, responsibility for parents.

Bruce Clarke left at 7:31pm CHAIRMAN REPORT – written report.

TREASURER REPORT – written report.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – written report. With the weather delays, won't schedule games on our field until May 01 to give a buffer.

REFEREE-IN-CHIEF / REFEREE SCHEDULER REPORT – written report. Just opened another Small Sided course that needs at least 15. Numbers are low maybe we don't need refs at U7/8. RIC goes to each class and tells the kids if they have an abusive coach, go to other coach and ask for help. If there's a parent issue, then go to coach. They are told not to deal with the abusive adult directly. We should tell the coaches. Al willing to go to coach meetings. We have 15 new mentors coming on plus the 10 already certified. Have the ability to post Club's Small Sided ref schedule on referee website. Q: Do mentors have the right to step in and stop something? Adult mentors will but the bigger point is to talk to ref and say here's how to deal with it.

Q: About refs and coaches on the field at U7/8? These are brand new refs and coaches end up reffing as they will say to the ref "that's a foul" and the ref does what the coach says. If coaches are on field, don't really need a ref. We don't have refs at this age for indoor. Supposed to allow ref to make calls, no matter what.

March 08, 2018 Motion #1018 It was moved and seconded to eliminate refs for the U7 age group for the 2018 season. Carried unanimously.

CLUB REPORTS:

KUFC – written report. Summer Games are open to all COYSA Club coaches and players.

LCYSA – written report.

KYSA – written report.

OMYSA – written report. We need to show coaches they are valuable and appreciated even just a token show of recognition. Some Clubs give back a percentage of registration fees.

WYSA – written report. Regarding Canada Soccer and registration, it will probably be pushed through quickly. Regarding all the Div A comments, that's for the Tiering group to look at.

RYSA – written report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Sponsorship</u> – written report.

CORRESPONDENCE - Nothing received.

BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD / NEW BUSINESS

Office location – in handout. Brought it up last meeting. The research is presented with several options.

March 08, 2018 Motion #1019 It was moved and seconded to go with Option 6, moving to the Kirschner location. 8 for; 1 abstained (Mike). Motion carried.

<u>Criminal Record Check requirements</u> – in handout. A CRC'd person must always be present. We need to keep track and there has to be consequences. Puts us in liability issue if we don't do it.

<u>Coach Certification</u> – in handout. Have to take the course for age group you are coaching. We need to figure out how to track. Do individual Clubs pay for courses? No, COYSA does. Talked to KU and we can hold courses at a dome. They are giving us a rate comparable to a gym.

<u>Seasonal Committee</u> - At Chair meeting, was brought up about changing the season. Need a Committee to do the research with a rep from each Club. Scott, Jason, Sean. Ask your Club for someone as soon as possible. Also ask for someone to be on our field's Operational Committee.

<u>Short Term Event sanctioning</u> – Been asked to sign a short term membership in BCSA by someone wanting to run a tournament so it can be sanctioned. Being as it's in the Lower Mainland, would feel better if Clubs in that area sign off on it. Seems strange they are asking us. There's another group that typically does this tournament but this one stepped in to fill the void and it's only a ten day permit. Is there a problem with why the Clubs at the Coast aren't signing? It sounds like they are doing a good deed but would feel more comfortable if someone else signs off.

ADJOURNMENT at 9:07pm NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 12, 2018 @ 7:00pm