

TECHNICAL/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Lacombe Memorial Centre

January 29, 2020

PRESENT:

Bashaw- Michelle Hilderman
Bentley: Juanita Bender
Blackfalds: (Wayne Murphy)
Camrose: Breanna McClarty
Clive : Angela Gessleman
Lacombe : Chris Fletcher
Penhold : Bowman Rockartz
Ponoka : Julie Atherley, Chris Atherley
Rimbey : Laurel Barton
Rocky Mountain House- (Darla Preston)
Spruce View : Jenni Cyman
Sylvan Lake – Brandyn Leveque
Wetaskiwin : Les Sherrer

EXECUTIVE:

Tracy Everett – President
Wayne Murphy – 1st Vice President
Jon Mulder – 2nd Vice President
Darla Preston - Treasurer
Philip Ignacio - DRA
Tammy Olson – Executive Director

ABSENT:

Innisfail
Stettler
Clint MacPherson- Secretary

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:05

Roll Call taken – 13 of 15 Current Members Present

Review of minutes of October 16, 2019

No Errors/Omissions

Lacombe (C. Fletcher) moved minutes be accepted as presented. Sylvan Lake (B. Leveque) seconded. **CARRIED**

Business Arising:

- None

Financial Update:

Outdoor League Prepayment Invoices

As in the past seven seasons (implemented 2012) each Local Association will receive a Prepayment invoice in March. This invoice is calculated based on player registration fees from the previous outdoor season and will be broken down into two equal payments. Payments at this time do not include League Fees, Referee or Coach Development, Prov.Fees (if applicable). A final invoice will be sent out at the end of the Outdoor Season.

League Structure

A) U11 – U19

- The League Structure for U11 to U15 will remain as it has in the past.
Playing days:
U11 – Tuesday and Thursday
U13- Monday and Wednesday

U15 – Tuesday and Thursday

- There is a possibility of U19 changing to a U18 Program (16 to 18 year olds) . This is something that has been requested by Rural Districts, as U19 is not viable for Tier IV in Rural areas.
- This item will be a part of the Discussion with Alberta Soccer at their Annual General Meeting (February 23rd,2020)

At this time below are the days of play for U17 and U19- if it changes to U18, the days of play will be Monday and Wednesday

U17 – Monday and Wednesday

U19 – Tuesday and Thursday****

U19 will be discussed further once it has been determined if there is any viability for this League

B) U9 Program

- There is interest for a U9 League within CASA, for interested groups from larger communities. Small communities with one or two teams will continue to co-ordinate games with each other
- Bentley U9 tournament – May 30

Coach

- All U15-U19 Head Coaches require Soccer for Life Training. Senior and Youth Level Coaching certifications will no longer be accepted by Alberta Soccer when attending Provincials. It is recommended that they also take the MED (making Ethical Decisions) course. This is not yet a requirement but will be in the near future. There are several ways to take this course including on line. CASA will cover 50% of the registration fee.
- U11 and U13 Coaches should be certified at a minimum of Learning to train.

Referees (P. Ignacio)

- **Mentorship program** – Senior Referees assisting in the development of new referees. All Associations are asked to submit the name of the Referee you are assigning as a mentor to Philip. *Contact him via email with any questions regarding the program. Philip and Tracy will assist small communities without Senior Referees in finding a mentor*
- Membership was asked to submit all Course hosting requests to the CASA Office as soon as possible so they could be applied for with Alberta Soccer. No confirmed dates currently. All courses must be booked for after March 1st, 2020.
- Request that all associations submit their New Referee information to the office so that they can be registered for the upcoming Certification Clinics
- There are a lot of changes this year. Refreshers will be intensive, please accommodate time appropriately.
- The Referee Education program will also be changing (2021). There will be more on-line training so that in person programs will consist of more on field training

Referee Registration

- Executive Director has emailed all current referees to inform them that they must register with the office. She will take care of registering on line for all referees

Registration Deadlines (to be sent out by Executive Director to all Members)

- Competitive Team (U11 to U19) PreDeclaration – April 1
- Final Team Declarations -April 15
- SunBreaker Registration – April 26 – a survey will be sent out to the membership in regards to the host location of the SunBreaker (Camrose or Rocky)
- Late player registrations are always allowed as long as there is room on teams and **subject to Local Association Deadlines**. CASA supports that whenever possible children be allowed to play
- **Note that ID cards will be required by all players U11-U19 at the SunBreaker, as well as all League Play**

SunBreaker and Provincial Qualifier

- a) SunBreaker will be held May 8-10, 2020
- b) Provincial Qualifier will be held June 19-21, 2020 in Ponoka

Development Program (see Attachment-Appendix A)

- c) A new Technical Program is being created within CASA, with the hiring of a New Technical Director (Jason Blake) who starts February 1, 2020. A technical calendar will be provided to the membership. It will also be emailed out.
- d) A Technical Coach Team will continue within CASA. We currently have Four Coaches who will make up this group along with our Technical Director as the lead. The recruitment of other Coaches to assist in the program, will be under the Direction of the Technical Director
- e) Our Technical team will run the training sessions with the Technical Director. Sessions for both Coaches and Players will be offered throughout the year.

New Business

Wetaskiwin Extended Season– will be initiating an extended season with any interested parties. Training and possible games throughout July

The Dome – Red Deer

This facility and it's Soccer Programs are a tremendous addition to our District. CASA players and Coaches wishing to add extra training to their resume's have an opportunity to access locally run programs. Their Programs will not interfere in anyway with CASA's FREE Programs offered to both Coaches and Players, run by the District.

Jon Mulder moved that "The Dome" Red Deer be added as an Associate Member of the Alberta Soccer Association. They have received full Sanctioning for their Soccer Programs by Alberta Soccer. Seconded by Sylvan Lake (B. Leveque). **All in Favour. Carried**

Meeting Adjourned: 8:57 pm – Next Meeting March 11

CASA TECHNICAL DIRECTOR / PROGRAMS- Appendix A

YOUTH SOCCER PLAYER OBSERVATIONS

Youth soccer players are enthusiastic but lack the understanding and execution of the fundamental technical skills across all age ranges.

Youth Soccer players are constrained by the vast differentiation of mixed abilities in their playing environments.

YOUTH SOCCER COACHING OBSERVATIONS

The majority of youth soccer coaches are committed volunteer parent coaches.

Most youth soccer coaches have limited soccer playing experience or have not attended any formal soccer coaching qualifications.

Most youth soccer coaches have inadequate technical knowledge and understanding of coaching principles.

YOUTH SOCCER CHALLENGES

Majority of youth soccer associations training is in limited size indoor facilities.

Majority of youth soccer associations have limited training time with players.

Formal coaching education is hard to access due to work/family/financial commitments.

CASA TECHNICAL EVENTS

Player Development Events

- Led by the Technical Director
- Supported by the Technical Assistants
- Technical Skill emphasis

- CSA Preferred training model delivery
- All attending players are recorded and assessed during events

CASA TECHNICAL EVENTS

Coach Education Events

- Led by the Technical Director
- Supported by the Technical Assistants
- Technical Detail prioritised
- Focus on simplistic session design and delivery

TECHNICAL STRUCTURE

CASA Technical Director

CASA Technical Assistant – CASA Technical Assistant - CASA Technical Assistant

TECHNICAL STRUCTURE

Technical Assistant Criteria

- Assistants selected for coaching competence and philosophy acceptance.
- No required number of assistants, only competent assistants.
- No geographical or political appointments, only competent appointments.
- Technical Assistants given an individual development plan.

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Technical Leadership

Player Development

Coach Education

Talent Identification

- Design and communicate a CASA Technical Development philosophy.
- Provide technical direction and guidance for CASA member associations.
- Coordinate and align with ASA and CSA LTPD guidelines and regulations.

Player Development

- Design, deliver and review all CASA player development activities/events.
- Ensure the Canada Soccer Pathway is accessible for all players.
- Assess and monitor the performance of high potential players.

Coach Education

- Design, deliver and review all CASA coach education activities/events.
- Be an on-going learning resource for the CASA coaching community.
- Mentor and guidance for high potential coaches.

Talent Identification

- Design, deliver and review all CASA Talent Identification activities/events.
- Implement and manage a player assessment database for CASA.

TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION

Technical Communication With Associations

- Each association to nominate/appoint a technical lead/contact.
- Technical Director to meet with Technical Lead group every quarter.
- Technical Director to call each association Technical Lead once a month.
- Association coaches encouraged to communicate with Technical Director via their Association Technical Lead.

Jason Blake