CENTRAL OKANAGAN YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION



District Board Meeting: Thursday, April 08, 2021, 7:00pm Zoom Meeting ID: 832 6126 1374, Kelowna, BC MINUTES

APPROVED (as is/as amended): May 13, 2021 Motion #1093

CALL TO ORDER: Roll Call

Stuart Wright, COYSA Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:05pm Present: Curtis Morcom (Treasurer), Sheryl Turner (Administrator) Voting Members Present: Adil Rajwani April Steed Carl Withlee

- Jason Freh Vince Reddekopp
- Jason Scott Oliver Anstice

Carl Withler Scott Jacobsen

Hayley Elliot Tim Read

Total Votes = 10 Regrets: Al Ryder (Referees), Bruce Clark (Discipline) Absent: Leslie Bryant, Lindsay Rainbird

PRESENTATION OF AGENDA

APPROVAL of MINUTES of the March 11, 2021, regular Board meeting.

April 08, 2021 Motion #1092 It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of the March 11, 2021 regular Board meeting as presented. Passed by unanimous consent.

CHAIR REPORT – Special General Meeting, May 20 to vote in, or not vote in, the Bylaw changes so we are compliant and within the required framework. If anyone has questions, would be great to answer ahead of time. Potential Super District talks are still going. Penticton numbers are down and they want to know if Phase 2 cohorts, if teams could join us. First COYSA teams would go in cohorts. Vernon are struggling and have 3 scenarios to start May 01. So much confusion and uncertainty like it's been for the last year.

TREASURER REPORT – Still accessing the wage and rent subsidy programs.

Adil joined at 7:08pm

Have our field fund. Operating fund is getting low. Depends on type of season we end up with, may need to bill Clubs to cover overhead.

BUSINESS: CARRIED FORWARD / NEW BUSINESS

COYSA doesn't have authority in current COVID state to say everyone must start here and do this. Depends on the volunteers and level of risk. LCYSA start April 19; KYSA April 12 Div A and others if Phase 2; OMYSA now May 01; RYSA April 19; WYSA April 19 U8 and up, April 26 U7 and down. Received a letter from WYSA today, they don't want to do Phase 2 with rest of Clubs at all this season. LCYSA wants to get anything going. OMYSA in a hold pattern until May 01. Jason F joined at 7:14pm

OMYSA was hoping for consistency amongst Clubs and are concerned about proper coaching. Kids aren't following the rules anywhere. LCYSA is working with Whitecaps on drills within the parameters and starting with Coach meeting / dry run at field. Going to be a work in progress. Will be some that play by rules and some that don't do it exactly right. KYSA is not doing Phase 1 with all, just Div 1 where the coaches are trained. KU has done Phase 1 for several months, waiver based on viaSport, Player Code of Conduct included COVID protocols. Can't protect against everything but there are little things that can help and have sessions that could be shared. Transmission hasn't tended to be in sport. RYSA says April 19 to start but may push that back. Don't know how much work they want to put in if there won't be a season. On field time, if not using, let Sheryl know right away so we don't have to pay.

<u>Game Days</u>: Saturdays April 17, 24, May 01. All in agreement to release back those days and U18 up to May 01. All waiting for the 19th announcement. Have to be flexible and fluid to change our plans. It's one thing for volunteer coaches to have the kids but dealing with parents, it's another matter. Hope they aren't expecting us to control the general public. KU has had no spectators and overall, parents have complied. Q: Outside? No, inside until next week. At end of day, parents in parking lot can't be the Club's issue.

Is there a standard protocol COVID? Phase 1 is on the BC Soccer website. Sheryl will send to you.

<u>WYSA request</u> – With over 1000 kids, are in a position to play internally. Concern/discussion with families about playing other areas. Some would be more comfortable if all on the Westside. Cohorts within Club. If we go to Phase 2, might not have enough without WYSA to make a cohort. Things can change, can always revamp if the numbers start working in our favor. KYSA is getting asked to do cohorts with Penticton and Andy. Phase 2 may only allow us to play within COYSA. Oliver arrived at 7:34pm

Phase 2 may be far away. We need to support them. Still have 3,000 other kids to figure it out. They want to stay on Westside. Some are dropping out if they think they are playing with different cohorts. LCYSA needs the other Clubs so wouldn't work well if everyone stayed within their own Club.

Al arrived at 7:41pm

No one opposed to WYSA's request. Not trying to cause any difficulty. Still part of COYSA and the group.

<u>Office space</u> – Not getting kicked out just yet. If we got a container, a home office, a PO box, it would save \$3-4 per player. Downside would be those that use the space for meetings. Any comments? If Sheryl isn't here, then what? Next Administrator would also work from home. If no objections then will move forward in this direction and if buying containers or storage space, will come back. No objection.

CLUB REPORTS:

<u>KUFC</u> - Going along in Phase 1 training, generally going well. Watching the numbers with fear and trepidation. TOYSL planned for April start but that's been pushed back. Will probably be a drop dead date to have a season or not but will keep the kids training.

KYSA – Excited the sun is out and it's 22. Div 1 program is going great with Phase 1 training. Numbers are pretty consistent. Looking forward to Phase 2. Equipment is ordered, uniforms are ordered. Haven't got any emails from parents about COVID. How many teams? Two U14 boys and one in other age groups. Older kids waiting to see before they commit but younger kids are solid. Under 20 teams? Yes. Every year do coach mentoring, find them, identify them and get Whitecaps involved. Done that model for a few years. A lot of Clubs do player training but KYSA likes coach training.

LCYSA – Had the same discussions about fear etc. Used electronic system for waivers, have a parent doing health checks, trying to follow the rules. Likely there will be some stumbles but want to have something for the kids. No push back COVID-wise, just questions about when they can start.

<u>OMYSA</u> – Lots of uncertainty, figuring out teams. Waiting for the April 19 announcement before making a firm decision. <u>RYSA</u> – Same as everyone, just waiting. People have lots of questions: When are we starting? Which team am I on? Q: Does RYSA have a plan? Will be having all kids in an age group to same pitch and train together. Everything is on FaceBook.

<u>WYSA</u> – Numbers are good but could change once they start to collect fees. Working on uniforms and delivery. All looking good.

Q: Should we meet after the 19th announcement? Let's plan for Thursday the 22nd. A little later like 8pm in case some are coaching? Yes. Stuart will confirm via email.

Thanks to everyone for your efforts, it's tough out there. Just doing the best we can for the kids.

ADJOURNMENT 7:55pm

NEXT MEETING: May 13, 2021