

CENTRAL OKANAGAN YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

District Board Meeting: Thursday, February 10, 2022, 7:00pm Zoom Meeting ID: 893 0593 0303, Kelowna, BC MINUTES

APPROVED (as is/as amended):_ March 10, 2022 Motion #1110

CALL TO ORDER: Roll Call

Stuart Wright, COYSA Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

Present: Curtis Morcom (Bookkeeper), Al Ryder (Referees), Sheryl Turner (Administrator)

Voting Members Present:

April Steed Carl Withler Jason Freh Jason Scott

Jon McClenaghan Richard Doncom Wendy Garding

Total Votes = 7

Regrets: Bruce Clark (Discipline)

PRESENTATION OF AGENDA

APPROVAL of MINUTES of the January 13, 2022 regular board meeting

February 10, 2022 Motion #1109 It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of the January 13, 2022 regular board meeting as presented. Carried by unanimous consent.

Richard joined at 7:02pm

CHAIR REPORT – BCSA voting structure is 50% adults/youth but adult only has 14% of players. CSA says has to change. Looks like it will be 70/30 youth/adult. One vote for each multiple of 2500 or within. Some ask why adults still get that much. Apparently in the 90s they were separate, youth were struggling financially, adults came and helped. Adult fees are 3 times youth. Multiple meetings about select leagues. Still waiting on some kind of schedule. Worked on rules around COYSA select. Penticton's whole Board resigned last week. Comment: Stuart has done a great job working his tail off to get plan B in place.

Took Ref Refresher. 2 hours on zoom with 80 others mostly clarifying handballs. Everything was lagging. Used to have inperson sessions with experienced refs like Arnar or Al. Frustrated with BCSA as they don't want to take control and when we need help, they say figure it out.

BOOKKEEPER REPORT – written report. Summary for indoor soccer; may have a small surplus even with security.

REFEREE REPORT – Courses approved only after a nasty email to Director of Development. We are in trouble if we don't get more refs. When TOFC have games, at least 12 are not doing COYSA as BCSPL gets priority. Traditionally kids out of KU have been awesome, but not as available. What about a recruitment drive? Up to Clubs. Once current courses are full, Club can arrange just for their Club. Initial parts are zoom. WYSA and LCYSA usually don't have enough refs. We are rebuilding our game; coaching, players, refs. Admin will send to Clubs again. If we have enough, will do mentoring but right now need them to ref. Is this something for the hours required at school? Yes and bursary applications. Might be able to put on some parent sites. 12/13 year olds can't get other jobs. It's a good course as you learn the game.

CLUB REPORTS:

OMYSA – Registration at 678. U14-18 challenged, sponsorships coming in.

RYSA – Registration at 344. New Admin is fantastic.

LCYSA - Ice Breaker moving forward. Q: Who are you using for technical direction? Not sure yet.

OFC – Except for weekly select meeting, not much else to report.

<u>KYSA</u> – Over 1000 registrations, running smoothly. U18s are in trouble. Q: What are we doing for U18? Trying to merge all for some kind of play, a bit like indoor, mix and match. Use a neutral field like Parkinson. Couple of coaches, ref. Drop in format but have to be registered. Coaches would have lists of registered players.

<u>WYSA</u> – Registration at 900. President stepping down in May for personal reasons. Will have interim until AGM. MarJok land was donated, City wants something different but agreement says soccer. Talks ongoing.

<u>KUFC</u> – Trying to salvage select league. Holding a parent meeting to outline how its going to work. Lots of time spent not getting the desired result but not for lack of effort. Working out wrinkles.

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BUSINESS: CARRIED FORWARD / NEW BUSINESS

COYSA field / Urban Rec – Have rented COYSA's field behind the Rutland dome to UR Mon-Thu 6-10pm all through spring, summer, fall. This season will do again as we need to give notice if we don't want to continue. Don't have a policy for rentals but should. Had some requests for UR traditional time. Don't think we want to upset anchor tenant. We use for games Saturdays and Sundays and practice for RYSA. Ultimately we have to pay the bills. UR takes a big chunk of time. Would there be an option for a balance? Pre-season Clubs are given a chance with schedule built from requests. School has use until 4:00pm. Is there a reason UR doesn't do Fridays? Would be nice to have more time for Clubs. Has to pay for itself. Don't want to leave it empty all summer and fall. We collect about \$15K and it pays for maintenance and into the fund to pay for future needs. If we have to find users for one-offs, it's a lot of work. UR is easy money. In the process of putting a net up; need to cut overhanging tree. Cody Tree tried but too much snow to get equipment in.

ADJOURNMENT 7:55pm

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