



CENTRAL OKANAGAN YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

District Board Meeting: Thursday, June 08, 2017

COYSA Boardroom, Kelowna, BC

MINUTES

APPROVED (as is/as amended): October 5, 2017 Motion #1000

CALL TO ORDER: Roll Call

Dan Tauber, COYSA Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

Present: Scott Jacobsen (Past Chair), Curtis Morcom (Treasurer), Al Ryder (RiC/Ref Sch), Sheryl Turner (Administrator)

Voting Members Present:

Adil Rajwani
Carrie Smith
Cliff Jensen (for Chad)
Dan Turner (for Kelly)
Jason Freh
Mike Jilek
Oliver Anstice
Randall Wight
Rob Hopkinson
Scott Percival

Total Votes = 10

Regrets: Chad Cormack, Kelly Sherman, Surinder Gosal, Bruce Clark (Discipline)

RYSA does not yet have a second Board member.

PRESENTATION OF AGENDA

Scott J arrived at 7:03pm

Oliver, Adil and Al arrived at 7:04pm

APPROVAL of MINUTES of the May 11, 2017 regular board meeting

June 08, 2017 Motion #995 It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of the May 11, 2017 regular Board meeting as presented. Carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN REPORT – written report

TREASURER REPORT – written report. Full COYSA budget. Everything is on target / in line.

From **BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD / NEW BUSINESS:**

Coaching Course Reimbursement – A coach took the Provincial B coaching course is asking if COYSA would reimburse.

June 08, 2017 Motion #996 It was moved and seconded to reimburse half the cost of the Provincial B course. Carried unanimously.

Curtis left at 7:21pm

REFEREE-IN-CHIEF / REFEREE SCHEDULER REPORT – written report. Q: Was there some interest in another course? A: Yes but not 15 of anything. LCYSA, RYSA and WYSA are all hurting for Small Sided refs. OMYSA has a mountain of refs and can't give them enough games. Running another course for LCYSA would be beneficial. Even if we run with 12 and absorb the extra cost.

DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE REPORT – written report. Biggest problem seems to be coaches and parents. There are some tournaments that have signs – this is kids sports, for fun, refs are kids, it's not the World Cup etc. You hear people comment, judge, berate no matter what. It's happening more at the house level now than at the rep level. Zero tolerance. Doesn't matter how bad a ref is. Coaches and parents constantly critiquing or just blurting out. Usually it's complaining about all the calls against his team and then it will go to it's just a terrible ref and turns to the team and says the ref sucks and just play the game but loud enough for everyone to hear. It's natural to go do I really suck? No matter how confident they seem, it affects them. In U7/8 soccer we have the refs on the fields with the coaches and how intimidating is that? Not supposed to be bickering at linesmen either. Some are trying to help and point out things but have never taken the course and all the ref hears is how he screwed up. We need to educate the parents as much as we can. There's never going to be a ref with a perfect game. Analysis of EPL and World Cup games and only 40% of the calls were correct if you go by the letter of the law. Then we go out and expect the kids to get it all right. Comment: Last week had to ref and doing that made him respect the ref. Coach on other side was constantly making calls. Is there some way we can institute that the coaches have to ref so the coach gets a bit of what the ref experiences? Probably

not going to happen. Tough thing is until you try and do it you don't realize the difficulty of reffing. The kids are by and large good with refs, it really is the coaches and a couple of parents.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – written report. Great KWSL gave us some money. KMSL are typically pretty straight up and understand they get a benefit from refs. Ref Scheduler will email KMSL.

CLUB REPORTS:

KUFC – written report.

KYSA – written report. U9 rosters and max 10; playing 6v6. Not enough players a lot of games. There is a mechanism called a dispensation. Administrator will contact Clubs in the Fall to get reasons for a BCOSA dispensation request.

LCYSA – written report.

OMYSA – written report. About losing players to KU U11/12: this year KU had 17 teams; in 2016 had 17 and in 2015 had 16. Not much change. Don't see those numbers changing. Number wise per Club this year over last: RYSA (635/580); LCYSA (410/420); KYSA (1003/980); WYSA (932/1001); OMYSA (1190/1305); KU (500/466). Maybe try something like KYSA for Div A. OMYSA has some good teams, potential for more Div A teams; build two teams.

RYSA – written report. RYSA has KU helping and has AI doing ref mentoring and both have proved to be successful. Mini World Cup is this weekend and Canada Day Tournament coming up. Q: How many in MWC? A: 55 teams. Around 800 kids. Ice Breaker is looking at pre-determining their format.

WYSA – written report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sponsorship – Had a business contact us to see if we could send an offer, hope to have something to report. McDonald's is doing indoor U8 and U10 again.

Tiering – Relegated some, promoted some, some didn't want to move. For U11/12 asked for feedback but only got 80-85% response so didn't make any moves. Each Club member on the Committee will get information to make decisions at the end of June. If in Div 1 and lose all and get relegated how would you feel? Obviously team not ready. Some coaches don't want to lose their stature. Development or too much emphasis on results? Results. Hard to get people to change their mind. LCYSA put together a Div A U12 team last year, only won one game but kept sticking it out and had 100% return to play this year.

Facilities – We have a sub lease license to occupy.

Scott P and AI left 8:33pm

Pretty much the same that Clive presented. #10 and #12 had changes. Both accountable to School District No 23. The design phase is we contract someone and then to put out for tender to get a contractor. Would like to be able to utilize KU's design phase and piggyback some of the costs. Been using Jason for contractor questions; where we can save costs, make sure we are getting a fair deal. As we get past the design phase Jason is possibly interested in bidding so he would step aside on discussions for conflict of interest. Item 5, property and liability insurance: KU arranges on behalf of COYSA and we pay half but wouldn't KU would have more property? One's a field and one's a facility, shouldn't that be a proportion? Would have to see what the insurance is. Jason: would be a cheaper rate to go together. Renegotiate that part. Randall will double check. Timeline? Now. Would like the field ready this fall. Once this is done then we have the ability to pick a contractor. Fields are 50 feet apart so doing geotechnical together is cheaper than bringing in another party. Just informational to let everyone knows it's moving forward and keep everyone informed. We have to abide by the contract SD23 set out with KU and this is part of that. Everything is in here is approved by Clive. COYSA hired it's lawyer and this is the recommendation from the one we hired. This was presented at that meeting where Clive came, Chairs were invited. Next vote will happen for the contractors. Already had the vote that Randall would sign.

Scott P came back at 9:00pm

Approved in February with Randall to do everything it says after Randall. Need clarification of the proportion. What happens at the end of 15 years? Would be covered in the SD23 lease. KU and COYSA own the infrastructure we may have to pay the cost to remove but not a requirement for them to give us a lot of reason to remove. We can't change the SD23 agreement. If KU default then our agreement is null and void? We have the time to negotiate with SD23. We get the first option. This isn't new. Was given to everyone and explained by a lawyer. Is it a common thing that the landlord can pull out of the deal? Clive did say it was common to protect the landlord. Do we have any idea of cost to remove everything? Turf can be saved; pull it up and reuse it. Concrete and removal, under 50K for both. Putting all of our money into this project. Not just the cost of getting rid of it, all our money would be gone. Not that easy for SD23 to just say 'get lost'. Reality is in that area they are looking at building more fields as they don't have the infrastructure to handle what they have. That was part of the discussion what they had planned out for that area. We can change the insurance to be more representative of what the costs are for each side. Wording is proportional of the evaluation. Everyone had the chance to see it four months ago, Board agreed we want to do this with KU, lawyer looked at.

Agreement is the terms we are going to partner on. Agreed to do project, agreed to the partnership. Details worked out. We get 5 corrected. Fix and good to go. That can be done over email. We are going to split the insurance, what number needs to be determined. Different types of insurance. Needs to be clarified. Proportional is better. Time line we have been on started lawyer in October, new lawyer in January.

June 08, 2017 Motion #997 It was moved and seconded to reword #5 of the COYSA/KU sub lease agreement to read proportional according to the lawyer's suggestion and send it to the Board members. Carried unanimously.
9:32pm Scott P left.

While it's being amended can Randall move forward with geotech and design phase? Yes, it's already approved.

CORRESPONDENCE – nothing received

BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD / NEW BUSINESS continued

Coaching for Disabilities (Jason) - Brought this up as at U6/7/8, have had some coaches ask. We accept all players. Have a team with 7 that are on the autism spectrum, turrets, etc. Can't deny these kids game time. Some coaches says it's tough, they don't know how to coach, players are easily distracted and coach has never dealt with it. Lots of coaches don't want to single out kids. Asking if we can find some coaching help for them. A course or something. There is some funding for specialized programs we could apply for. We have an open grant this might fall under. How to deal with kids or how to coach them? Our mandate is to coach coaches, whether it's kicking a ball or ability to focus player. Jason will find out information. Scott J will check into the grant from last year. SD23 might be a good resource – they have a lot of CEAs that could explain some tricks and signs. Some kids are not identified at registration. Integration is good.

BCSA Grants (Dan) – Informational; ties into Jason's request.

Tiering Policy (Dan) – Are we sticking with current Tiering Policy? Had a couple of emails come through about parents confused about why Div A and then Red Blue or whatever. Clubs are doing Div A which is their elite, Academy or whatever and wanting to stay that way? Or based on the Tiering Policy to have teams that can move up and down? If we put Div A on a pedestal then they think they can never move down which is contrary to the policy. Either change it or go back to what the intent was. If they aren't doing well, Clubs may not like it too much if their academy team is moved down and a Blue team goes up. Go with Div A B C or go with all colors. Makes more sense to have similar. Have Tiering Committee come up with recommendations and do a quick email vote and make for the fall schedule.

Vice-Chair – Is anyone interested in stepping up and identifying as the Vice Chair? No one.

Game sheets – Stickers on game sheets; very few line up correctly with columns and sometimes it's hard to determine who is being carded. Just making a lot of work. Hockey eliminated use of stickers.

June 08, 2017 Motion #998 It was moved and seconded to ban the use of stickers on game sheets starting in the Fall. Carried unanimously.

Let coaches know why.

Indoor – World Cup is coming next year, a perfect opportunity to promote soccer. Will come up with game plan. Marketing. Create excitement. Come up with budget. Historically tried jerseys but preference was tshirts.

ADJOURNMENT 9:58pm

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, September 14, 2017 @ 7:00pm