

Medicine Hat Soccer Association

Board Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2016

Present: Jeff Vangen, Joey Gentile, Heather Bach, Carla Bennett, Trevor Copeland, Hugh Lehr, Darryl Getz

Staff: Nanette Newton

Absent: Theresa Hardiker, Garth Firman (with regrets)

Guests: none

Next meeting: February 8, 2016 6:30pm MHC Room TBD

Action Item

1. **Call to Order:** by Jeff Vangen at 6:35pm
2. **M97 – Motion to approve agenda with addition of Miscellaneous Items added above point 7. Moved by Joey, seconded by Heather, carried.**
3. **M98 – Motion to approve the November 2, 2015 minutes as presented. Moved by Carla, seconded by Joey, carried.**
4. **Matters Arising:** None
5. **New Business**
 - a) Tim Hortons may not be sponsoring the Timbits program in the future. The office and communications director are looking to get a definite answer. If they are no longer sponsoring, then we will look to find a new sponsor for the mini program.
6. **Office Manager Report**
 - a) Report submitted as attached
 - b) Canada Summer Jobs deadline is now Feb. 26th. Technical Committee will be preparing the necessary paperwork and will work with the office to submit application.
 - c) Heather brought forward the idea of internship and will forward Jeff the information regarding that program.
 - d) Discussion about the possibility of room rental charges moving forward at the MHC. We will look for alternatives if needed in the future.
 - e) Discussion in regards to becoming a member of the Chamber of Commerce. Jeff to look into this.
7. **President**
 - a) Report submitted as attached.
 - b) **M99 – Motion to repeal current “MHSA Coach Recruitment, Selection and Removal Policy” Moved by Carla, seconded by Joey, carried.**

*Tech Committee,
Nanette
Heather/Jeff*

Jeff



- c) Coach Appointment Policy and Coach Selection Process (Club Program) documents to the technical committee for review and recommendation at the next tech committee meeting on January 20th. *Tech Committee*

8. Vice President

- a) Report submitted as attached.
- b) Establish Executive meeting dates – every 1st Wednesday of the month. Joey will provide a calendar. *Joey*
- c) Establish future board meeting dates – every 2nd Monday of the month. Joey will provide a calendar. *Joey*
- d) Discussed vacant positions. If anyone is aware of anyone that would be interested to bring their names forward and have them attend the February meeting. *All*

9. Treasurer

- a) Report submitted as attached.
- b) First quarter review discussed as per report. Any budget amendments will be made after the next quarterly report.

10. Senior Director

- a) Report submitted as attached. *Nan/Joey*
- b) Discussed new online provincial declarations. Nan and Joey to submit Senior Men's Provincial declarations tomorrow. *Nan*
- c) Discussed fields needed for outdoor 2016. Same as previous years. Nan to notify city. *Joey*
- d) 7-A-Side Tournament dates not yet decided, either April 9 or 16 to be confirmed.

11. Equipment Director

- a) Not enough jerseys at the U16/U18 Division. Moving forward look to find a sponsor to purchase more jerseys for that division. *Heather*
- b) Old uniforms that we no longer use will be donated. Heather will provide Darryl with some contacts for donations. *Heather/Darryl*
- c) Will require more gloves and pumps for the outdoor season. Nan to order. *Nan*

12. Mini Director

- a) Report submitted as attached.
- b) Discussed new league festival format U8-U12. This will allow players more practice time and skill development. Festivals will be incorporated into the league schedules. *Nan*
- c) Hugh will once again be applying for the FUNdamentals Festival. It was a huge success last year. *Hugh*



13. Minor Director

- a) Report submitted as attached.
- b) Discussion in regards to World Cup League continuing on. World Cup will continue on for this year with looking to get feedback after the outdoor season on World Cup vs High School League.
- c) RASC Players will be allowed to play in the World Cup League, but their priority will be RASC should there be any conflicts.
- d) Game days and times reviewed for outdoor 2016. Days of play were decided as per the request of the referee assigner to allow referees the opportunity to ref as many games as possible without interfering with their playing schedules.

Trevor

14. Communication Director

- a) Report submitted as attached.
- b) Communication needs to be more consistent. Look at possibly implementing a communications strategy or policy.
- c) Look at setting up Hootsuite which would allow the entering of news/information into one program which then auto populates all social media.
- d) Sponsorship priorities would be helpful to know how to proceed when looking for sponsors. Directors/staff to submit their priorities to Heather.
- e) Set up a strategic planning meeting so that we are all moving in the same direction. Heather to look into this, date to be confirmed.
- f) Look at the website and possibly changing the look to make it more simple. Also, look at other providers.

Heather

Heather/Office

All

Heather

Heather/Office

15. Discipline Committee Update

- a) No discipline issues to date for Senior Men's League.

16. Bylaw Committee Update

- a) Heather Bach appointed to the Bylaw Committee.

17. Tech Committee Update

- a) Report submitted as attached.
- b) Look to provide a bursary or honorarium to the Medicine Hat College to thank them for their support of our programs.
- c) Look to provide all coaches with manuals from the ASA "Coaches Tool Kit" to help them in their positions starting in the outdoor season.
- d) Next technical committee meeting to be held on January 20th not January 13th as indicated in the report.

18. Executive Committee Update

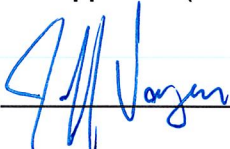
- a) None



19. **M100 – Motion to adjourn at 9:15pm. Moved by Joey, seconded by Hugh, carried.**

Nan prepare draft minutes for distribution.

Board minutes approved (date): Mar 14/16

Signature: 

Jeff

MHSA, President, Jeff Vangen

