



MINUTES

14 AUGUST 2017 / 7:00 PM / CLUBHOUSE

Present: Trevor Hill, Stefan Szkwarek, Carey Cordocedo, Jennifer Vinzenz, Jerret Dickinson, Esther Bayles, Debi Sargent, Tony Dickson, Paul West, Phil Statham, Karen Guinan

Regrets: Stu Power, Mike Kearns

Guests: Cheri Tilley, Myra Wilson, Laura Koppenberg, Linda Wyton

Call to order: 7:10 PM

1. Additions/Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: To accept the agenda as presented

Debi/Jerret

CARRIED

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting, July 2017

MOTION: To accept the July 2017 minutes as circulated

Stefan/Esther

CARRIED

3. Old Business

- a. Date for Coaches meeting and equipment handout
 - Tuesday, August 29th & Wednesday, August 30th, 6:00 PM, Clubhouse. Esther will email all of the coaches to tell them about the meetings.
 - Coaches must be told about the goal locking at the coaching meetings

4. New Business

- a. Laura Kloppenburg will be attending as a guest representing MIWSL to discuss women's league fees.
 - Some Women's players have been discussing going independent. The other teams in MIWSL operate independently. Only the Comox Valley teams belong to a Club. The teams wonder if there would be financial advantages to being independent
 - Cheri provided details for Laura about the costs (field costs, ref costs, equipment costs etc.)

- The women would like more transparency as to how their fees are used. A meeting will be set up with Cheri, Karen and Laura to examine how the fees are used.
 - It is too close to the beginning of the season for the Women to go independent at this point. The women will make a decision in January.
- b. Linda Wyton will be attending the meeting as potential VP Women's position
- There are other women interested in the position, but they were not present
 - The women should be deciding on their representative, not the Executive

MOTION: To appoint Linda as acting VP Women's until a decision is made by the CVUSC women's teams

Tony/Esther

CARRIED

- c. Fall Registration Numbers
- Youth House: 423 are registered as of today. 683 were registered last fall. Hopefully more to come in the next month.
 - We need to get the word out better.
 - Scott Petersen (Comox Valley Sports and Social Club) uses our goals, so we could ask him to promote our programs. Debi will contact Scott about this.
 - The Women's teams need players. The VP Women's needs to send Myra info for the newsletters to recruit new players
- d. Use of Concession at Valley View
- Someone with Food Safe has to be present
 - It is a lot of work for the amount of money raised, but teams could use this opportunity as a fundraiser
 - Jerret will possibly look into this
- e. Valley View storage container quotes
- There was an issue between the city and school district as to property lines, but an area has been decided on
 - We will purchase 2 containers. One will have lights/heater/ventilation and the other will just have ventilation. Big Steel Box's quote was for over \$20,000 while Econo Easy Box and Storage's quote came in under \$15,000. Both quotes were for the same product. We will use Econo Easy Box and Storage.
- f. Risk Management
- As a result of the information received from the CVUSC Revolution, a police investigation has commenced regarding the theft of over 5,000 dollars from their team account. A CVUSC Revolution team member, who was also a member of our board and also the MIWSL executive, is the focus of this investigation. Members of the Revolution that surfaced the theft advise that over the past weekend they received payment of the missing funds (exact amount of funds repaid was not provided). More information to follow as the police investigation is ongoing.

MOTION: To submit a letter to BC soccer informing them that one of our Board Members is under criminal investigation. An updated letter will be submitted once a decision is made.

Stefan/Tony

CARRIED

- Myra will ensure that we are aware of everyone dealing with CVUSC financial matters, Youth and Adult teams, and that all have a CRC completed.

g. Turf Time

- Cheri has already done most of the Turf scheduling. It was suggested that 3 teams practice at once. Cheri had already tried this for some of the select teams, however, they were not happy about it.
- RIPTIDE uses the Turf Wed/Fri, 5:30-8:30. The other times are divided between Select, Masters, Women's, Men's Div 1 and Men's Div 3.
- The times on Monday can be adjusted to open up a 3rd session at 8:30 if needed
- The Men and Women will share Tuesday nights, 8:30-10. The Div 1 and Div 3 Men's teams will share Thursday 8:30-10

5. Reports - Table Officers

President - Paul: In the past month I have made significant progress on the Valley View Storage Project. Meetings with the School District followed by a meeting with City of Courtenay personnel along with a letter to the city appear to have us on track to move forward on our storage at Valley View. Pending a formal approval by the city (hopefully this week) we will move forward asap. I have two quotes on storage containers and will present both for discussion at the meeting. Phil has an electrician in place to ensure we have an electrical hook up for both power and heating purposes.

In other news we have received some important direction from BC Soccer about youth games and practice sessions should the extreme fire and smoke conditions continue into the start of our upcoming season. BC Soccer has provided direction on Air Quality levels for both practice sessions and for youth game days. Our adult leagues should also be aware of the guidance coming from BC Soccer on this issue. Player Health and Safety is our first priority.

I am happy to see progress on multiple fronts as we near the kick off of our fall seasons for all of our teams. Fields, kit, equipment, coaches training, team organization, and everything else we need to get the season underway appear to be well in hand. Great work by everyone!

VP Masters - Phil: There are some Masters players in the mix who are joining in the Summer games again this year. I will need to discuss with Carey and Trevor regarding needed Jerseys, Balls etc for this coming season .

The 35 and over team are in need of Jerseys I do know. Do we have Ball pumps available?? I look forward to the meeting on Monday!! As someone who has been a part of this executive since its conception it's wonderful to see our soccer community continuing to support our ongoing need for new executive members that fill our team with passionate people. Let's continue to be the leaders we are expected to be.

With so much horrible division in the world around us, we must show unity and acceptance as a group. Thank you again for everyone's efforts on the soccer front .

VP Youth House - Esther: nothing to report

VP Youth Select Girls - Jerret: All is good. Teams are slowly starting to have some wreck practices here and there. I'm seeing more gum drops and lollipops now a days

VP Youth Select Boys - Tony: nothing to report

VP Men - Carey: Training has just begun for the Div 1 team on Thursday 10th. We currently have approx 23 players trying out for the team which is a lot for this area but the reason is that the Campbell River Div 1 team could not get enough interest this year to keep the team going, so they have folded. Not a great scenario but one that certainly will help our team in numbers as well as increase the quality of the product. I believe the excitement within the team has been re-ignited. We also have a new addition to our coaching staff as Tony Dickson has decided to join the team this year. His knowledge and experience will certainly compliment the team in a few areas.

The Div 3's are still looking for players before the deadline next week and as of now things are looking a little lean. Unfortunately there have been a few guys that have left the team and trying to replace them has been difficult. We'll keep our fingers crossed that they can stay afloat.

Vice President Development - Stefan: The last month has (finally) been quiet! This said, the DS coaches led by Trevor, Jouska and Jamie McDowell have been diligently planning the upcoming season and getting the word out. To this end, we had over 120 kids signed up at the deadline.

UDP registration is online, numbers are low. For the GK academy, (if it ends up happening) I've secured the services of a youth goal keeper coach via Shel Brodsgaard however there would be a cost for this as well which would need to be approved by the board. As with Riley Murray, the objective with paid coaches is that any wages need to be covered by the registration fees associated with the program.

As discussed last meeting, I've opened up discussions with the Vancouver Whitecaps regarding potential ways where we can partner regarding Player Development. As such, a proposal was put forward to start up a high performance type academy here targeting the U9-U12 age groups and include 1 session per week per phase and have access to VWFC showcase events in Vancouver. This said, it being three weeks away from September and my concerns about cost, where this would fit with respect to our own programs and a lack of turf time has resulted in us agreeing to look for something (potentially) to start up in the spring. More to follow on this. The objective is to set up a pathway for players and families wanting (and able) to go the high performance route.

Last point, I applied for the CSA A-License in the spring and will hear back on whether I've been accepted by the end of August. If I'm accepted, I'm looking for assistance from the club to cover costs. \$1500 covers course, room and board. The course is in Calgary and is an outstanding professional development opportunity as only 25 coaches are accepted every two years and is the highest level of coaching certification available in Canada.

Treasurer- Karen: July 2017 Financial Statements were provided.

We have until November to transition to the BC Societies Act. Cheri will provide a draft of the 2017 AGM minutes.

Equipment Manager - Trevor: All looks good for Equipment preparations for the fall season. 2017 Fall House Equipment is in place for the coaches handout day. New balls have been stamped with club logo and put into circulation, new pugs and gk gloves have also arrived and will be put into circulation as needed. Cones and pinnies should be arriving soon. My goal is to have enough equipment that programs like UDP, DS, (Academy) camps will be able to have use of equipment without swapping between programs or coaches needing to use their house equipment and it all getting mixed up and misplaced. I hope to work with Stefan, coaches and

managers of these programs to make sure that they have the gear they need without hassles. (For myself or them)

I am excited at the prospect of having lockers near the clubhouse...thanks Paul for your persistence on this! I've had a few items mysteriously turn up at the storage lockers....a few bags of balls and some stinky pinnies...although it is great that these items were returned and nothing seems to be missing I am concerned that there are folks out there that have keys that we are unaware of..of course all of this will change if the lockers move to the clubhouse..

I believe we need to set up a day once or twice a year that select and DS teams can pick up or drop off equipment they need. These two groups (mainly select) are the ones that have me running back and forth randomly for gear. It would be good for them to have a date set on the calendar.

Lastly I will be heading out on Holidays as of this Friday for a couple weeks returning on September 5th so hopefully we can have some volunteers in place to record handout equipment to coaches. I could also leave my keys with Cheri/Myra in case more balls/equipment is needed before I return. I will be back for the first day of house and will be available to collect/handout any last minute items that will be required then.

Reports - Directors

Referee-in-Chief - Stu: nothing to report

Division Manager Liaison - Debi: Debi contacted the previous division managers to confirm if they were still willing to take on the role. Debi will contact the division managers to see if they would like a meeting prior to the coaches meeting.

Field Manager - Mike: Mike is trying to get mowing adjusted to Thursdays instead of Tuesdays, and to have it cut at a lower level. Mike is also working on the goal lock situation.

Volunteer Coordinator - Jennifer: Jennifer will ask for volunteers for equipment handout.

Administrator's Report - Cheri: nothing to report

Registrar Report - Myra: nothing to report

Field Schedulers Report - Cheri: nothing to report

7. Adjournment at 9:08 pm

MOTION: To adjourn meeting

Karen/Tony

CARRIED

Next Meeting: 11 September / 7:00 PM / Clubhouse