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Monday, September 5, 2022 @ 7:00 pm | Via Zoom

MEETING PROCEEDINGS

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- 7:12 pm by Marta.

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

- For the last 3 weeks have had work being done with voting structure of BC Soccer.
- Certain questions have still not been answered by BC Soccer
- Plan to move forward with BC Soccer SGM on Sept 12. Will be voting on the structure to change from 50/50 to 85/15. Based on stakeholders, how many players registered in each district. Based on the formula 2500 registered members = 1 vote. If a district has 2501 they get 2 votes. 50 registered members also get 1 vote. Voting will be largely controlled by the 85%.
- Adult districts have been talking and want to propose a 1 district/1 vote, which works out to about 58/42. Some youth districts are pro that, some are against. And BC Soccer says this is not equitable.
- Where is it written in a response from Canada Soccer, stating what is equitable, and why one vote per district is not equitable? Are waiting to hear back on that.
- Game schedules:
 - o Going to start following how the rules are laid out for reschedules
 - o States there is a 21 day window for rescheduling. Both teams have to mutually agree. Game has to be rescheduled within 14 days and played within 21 day window. If we don't get notice by 14 days, then the LIWSA will reschedule and game is played within the following week. Liaisons please reiterate that. There is an online form for rescheduling games.
 - o In the past teams had multiple reschedules not played chronologically, following the rule for reschedules resolves that issue. This can't happen. If it means they have to play 2 games in one weekend, that's the outcome of rescheduling a game. There is a \$20 fee attached to the form for each rescheduling request, that needs to be paid and will be invoiced.
 - o For a postponement, we have a 96 hour window. Referee fees will need to be paid also.
- Liaisons and everyone else, do your best to direct people inquiring to check the rules and regulations first. If they can't find the info then they can reach out to us.
- Rule amendment came in for the O30s, 3 weeks to the start of the season a rule amendment is not possible. Rule amendment to include a number of underage players in the Masters (O30A, B and O35) division, similar to the rule in the MWSL. However, the current MWSL rule is for grandfathering. Advised we don't have the capacity right now to be looking at it, canvassing, and having it written out for this season. Suggested to reach out to Div 30/35 teams and prepare a rule amendment for the next AGM.
- We need to complete a review of our rules and regs over this season and tidy them up.

- Thinking we should set up our meeting schedule ahead of time. Proposing 3rd Monday of every month (October, November, January, February, March). This way members know when we meet, and can submit inquiries in a timely manner. Second Coaches and Managers meeting will be January 9. And the AGM in June.
- Coaches and Managers meeting Wednesday 7pm– agenda that I've put out was generic. Will explain how promotion and relegation has transpired since June. Will remind folks to read their rules and regs first, then liaison. If liaison can't answer, liaison will reach out to the corresponding executive. Will remind them that we need to fill those three vacant spots. Would like each of us to introduce ourselves, what team you play for.
- Was approached by someone with an offer to assist with sponsorship and social media presence for the league. They have shared a package to attract sponsors. Three potential sponsors lined up. The individual wants to bring forth their skill set in sponsorship and social media, for example, with weekly game highlights, using VEO. The cost for this technology, is approximately half of the amount from the sponsors they have who are interested in sponsoring LIWSA. There are also 2 other sponsors that interested – for a total of 5 for this coming season. It has been over 7 years since we had any sponsorship. If we don't want to go the path of videos, this person would still help us generate sponsors, just maybe not those three that are lined up already. The cost would be for camera equipment, not towards any person. Teams could rent the camera equipment to video their games. The cost would not be out of our pocket, it would come from the sponsorship.
 - o Would be a benefit to teams, and if for some reason it didn't work out we could sell the camera
 - o Would not be an expense, coming out of sponsorship. This is ultimately what the sponsors want to money to be used for.
 - o Would be great to attach a sponsor the the Golden Boot, could lead to a Golden Glove.
 - o Exec in favour of approaching this contact about this opportunity.
- Interest in 035 increasing roster to 27 players. We are too small of a population to increase the roster size, it would have to be allowed across all divisions. This would encourage hoarding. Exec members in attendance are **not** in favour for this amendment. Homework will need to be done before bringing it up before voting. There is a process to be made before looking to change the rules and regs.

3. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT.

- (Vacant)

4. DISCIPLINE REPORT.

- Nothing to report

5. SECRETARYS REPORT.

- Nothing to report

6. COMPETITIONS REPORT. (Vacant)

7. REFEREES REPORT.

- Nothing to report

8. REGISTRAR

- All going well

9. RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT.

- Not in attendance, nothing to report.

10. OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT

- Finances, about 65% of our money is already in. \$55,000 in the bank. Have to ask the bank, when e-transfers come in somehow 3 emails didn't get to me. Finances are looking good.
- Schedules have been a bit of a nightmare up until now. Some games still have a line through them if the field schedulers haven't confirmed with me. Randy has said that's the best way to do it without complications.
- Referee schedule has been difficult, a lot of referees have not given their availability. Jon and Randy have been helping me and it is working out better. Still convincing more and more referees to go over to e-transfer.

12. Liaison's Report

- Nothing to report

13. NEW BUSINESS

- No new business

14. MOTION TO ADJOURN

- Motion to adjourn, John. Seconded, Stacie. Meeting adjourned 8:01pm.