

KWSL Minutes for Executive Meeting  
Thursday May 29, 2008  
Park crest Elementary

Meeting start time: 6:40pm

Attendance: Terri, Jo, Sandy, Gloria & Heather

Regrets: Monica, Lisa, Ali, Charlotte, Willow

Terri wanted feedback from Jo's list as to the season start up.

Jo felt things went fairly smoothly for Div 3 as far as registration goes.

Terri felt that the registration wasn't as organized as it could have been and continues to get calls regarding this from teams in Div 1 and Div 2.

Terri discussed dates for the season start up and felt that we should start earlier. We gave people a break because of spring break but in hindsight it may have been a detriment.

Heather spoke of online registration and didn't feel as though it was as organized because we extended the deadline which confused some people.

People are still leery about online registration and paying over the internet.

Jo decided to pay by debit card to see how difficult it would be and apparently you need to know more banking information and id numbers and such.

We discussed that it would be preferential for the city to do the registration so hopefully next year it is up and running.

Outsourcing was difficult as it was on a per player basis and some team reps didn't know who had paid from their roster list. We reminded people that we did this so that the team reps weren't responsible for paying for the team ahead of time. We discussed having a paypal account on our website and Heather said that it could be set up if we chose to do that for next year. Heather will speak to the city about online registration for next year and having a link on the website.

Jo said that the city has ongoing registration for other events so we should be talking to the city now.

Much discussion about the registration process and what we can do to streamline it.

Heather spoke about the website and how the info she receives is all in different formats so time consuming for her.

Heather spent \$200 on upgrades for the website.

Terri had a concern from a team in div 2 regarding a player Kelsey Young. She was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma so we gave her the registration fees back as she wasn't going to play. Her doctor told her she could continue playing soccer as long as she felt fine. Terri decided that we wouldn't charge her for this year as it was undetermined how many games she would play. The team rep was given this information. She had a shunt placed in her arm due to her chemo sessions which she wears a sleeve over top of. There were some complaints regarding this mainly due to injury. Terri will check with BC Soccer as to any issues about liability so that we are covered.

Glo to send an email to team reps regarding fields. VV1 is upper (closest to the school) and VV2 is lower (big field) Sahali 1 is upper (closest to the school) and Sahali 2 is lower (marked for football/rugby) we will get fined if we play on Sahali 1 as it is closed.

Terri discussed BC soccer forms. Kirstine felt that there were some forged forms from a specific team. Namely Lucy' team. Terri dealt with it herself as it was not a complaint from any one individual. Terri spoke with Lucy personally and explained to her that in the past this issue would have gone to the discipline committee. This time however, those games that the girls played who had their forms forged would be forfeited by the team. Terri explained that would be 2 games. Lucy originally wanted to take the matter to the discipline committee so Terri explained that her team may get more than 2 games if the discipline committee gets involved. Dawn called Terri as she heard second hand about this issue and asked Terri how does an issue go to the discipline committee. Terri explained to Dawn that if there was an issue that she would be informed of such. The exec that was present at this meeting discussed this situation and all felt that Terri handled the situation correctly as she is the President and she can decide on discipline issues.

Cancelled games-we still pay for fields and refs if games are not cancelled on time. Seems it was the crossover games mainly.

Jo mentioned that if the game doesn't mean anything i.e. - no points awarded then teams don't want to play so they are cancelling. The entire reason we decided to have crossover games was because at the team rep meeting div 1 wanted more games so we opted to do the crossover games but it doesn't seem as though it is working out.

Terri proposed that we take the crossover games out of the schedule entirely. We can keep the fields or give them up. The exec discussed the pros and cons to this and decided to give up the fields. Terri and Jo will speak with Charlotte and Ali regarding these games and to cancel the fields and refs. Glo will send email to the teams.

Sandy will contact the ref assoc. to find out if we are paying for refs that are not showing up to games.

Brian wants an email after the fact that there wasn't a ref there. Jo said that Charlotte should have a master list of ref's and which games they are reffing. We still need to report when a ref does not show up.

If we knew ahead of time that there wasn't going to be a ref for a certain game then we could be prepared for it as we need to make a decision as to what to do when there is no ref.

Jo thinks that each team is still covered by BC soccer if there is no ref. If there is no ref then the game still must be played to a win, loss or draw outcome. The honour system may be difficult to decide for teams especially for offside and fouls. Our decisions were as follows: try to find a suitable ref, if there isn't one then each team is responsible for reffing each half of the game. (safety always being first and foremost). If both teams agree that they are not going to play without a ref then 0-0 points will be awarded. Again, we need the honour system if the teams cannot come to an agreement.

Glo to send email to team reps regarding our decision on a ref no show.

Heather is putting yellow/red cards on the website. We also can add other items to the website about reporting etc. if we want.

League playoffs are set for div 1.

For div 2 the top team in div 2a will be the league winner but there will be playoffs for both div 2a and 2b.

Glo to send out email regarding div 2 playoffs.

Discussion about the schedule regarding the switching in div 2. Teams should be able to look at the schedule and know where they are playing ahead of time. The schedule for div 3 should be finished. Terri will talk to Charlotte and Ali about it.

Jo mentioned that the KRSL no longer signs BC soccer forms there is a spreadsheet instead. Terri will look into it.

Terri has more team lists for the games. Jo has been giving out the old ones too. People are still emailing Terri about it.

Terri- wants div 3 to discuss amalgamation. Would like Jo to have a meeting with the div 3 team reps to come up with ideas about what would be better for the league. Jo said that what div 3 wants is a united league. It should all be inclusive however because of the three div's each div should decide for themselves with the players playing in that div. Jo still feels there is a stigma attached to div 3. Heather agreed with that and thought that maybe some people in div 2 would want to go down to div 3. We need to get team reps thinking about what they want to see as a league.

Div 3 has AGM in the fall while people are still thinking about soccer. We need to have an AGM together with all the div's so that everyone can decide what to do as far as amalgamation.

Exec discussed having a director for each division so that the integrity is kept for each div. That director could be the registrar also. There should be a president and co-president (not a 30+pres) to spread the workload.

Table-we need to forge toward the merge for next year. Jo felt we shouldn't have a separate AGM.

Jo would like another meeting with the team reps about playoffs.

We briefly spoke about getting people playing where they feel comfortable. Masters div may deplete the players in div 3.

Sandy would like to know if we have bank statements so she can figure out exactly what is in the account.

Glo to send out team rep mid season update.

We need to meet to decide the format of the playoffs (div 3 reps). We need to reiterate that there is no longer a rec league that we are one as KWSL. There will be no change in the day to day operation of the league. It would be the decision making process from the executive.

We should have another exec meeting in the first couple weeks of July.

Meeting ended 8:40pm