KAMLOOPS WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE Season (2014) Minutes of the Annual General Meeting November 3, 2014 KYSA Clubhouse – MacArthur Park

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the President Jenn Perozak at 7:05pm

The Executive Committee was introduced:

Jenn Perozak - President

Leah Flor - Vice President

Annette Hanna – Rec Liaison

Heather Rieben – Open Liaison

Lindsey Piggin - Website / Stats

Gale Forbes – Secretary

Sandra Blair - Treasurer (will be here later)

Absent -

Jo McKenna – Scheduler

Membership Attendance:

According to the sign in sheets there were 40 attendees

Teams Absent:

Hansport, Subway Spice and Expert Collision were all absent and will be fined \$25 per team

MINUTES & AGENDA

A motion was made by Ali Campmans and seconded by Lindsey Piggin for approval of the minutes from the last AGM.

The motion passed

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Leah Flor, Vice President

Wanted to thank everyone for a great 2014 season. We saw many new players come out for fall ball and had a very full draft and we're lucky to

have such passion for playing in our community. Leah also thanked the members of the Executive for their hours of efforts towards the league and is grateful of the support we show for one another. In reflection, when we remember people we've lost, it's important to enjoy this journey. Looking forward to a good season next year full of the great spirit of soccer.

Heather Rieben, Open Liaison

Enjoyed her first year as Open Liaison and noted that things went relatively smoothly with the exception of team rosters being submitted in the wrong format. Please use the updated forms with correct information.

Jo McKenna, Scheduler

Although absent from the meeting. Jo asked Jenn to pass along her thanks to all members for their patience throughout the season with the schedule especially regarding field changes.

Gale Forbes, Secretary

Asks only that people be very diligent to submit correct email addresses so that correspondence from the league make it to the intended.

Annette Hanna, Rec Liaison

Had another great year and truly thanks all the team reps she deals with for making it great and making her job easy.

Lindsey Piggin, website / Stats

Things went well except for the random site shut downs. There are forty new Facebook members from the beginning of the season.

CORRESPONDANCE
None
OLD BUSINESS
None
NEW BUSINESS

Fall Ball Follow Up

Annette championed Fall Ball this year and is happy to report that 92 players signed up. Of those players, 35 were new or new to KWSL. We've already heard that many of the new players will find teams to play with in the new season.

The survey response wasn't great but did give us some information. A special thank you to Tracey Epp for all her help at the field every week. And thanks to all the Fall Ball players, they made it very enjoyable this year.

Possible New Memorial Award

Heather spoke to our loss of Dawn Daykin at the end of September, who was this past season's Carrie Holland award winner. Both Dawn and her family were so very grateful that we could deliver the award to her in hospice. At her memorial, the trophy was displayed with her jersey and it was very touching. We would like to consider a memorial award in her name if the family is on board. The award would be based not on skill but more on enthusiasm or sportsmanship. Just putting out the idea now to fine tune at a later time

The trophy is here at this meeting.

Ali Campmans made a motion for the league to institute a memorial / goalie award in the name of Dawn Daykin.

Tracey Epp seconded Motion Passed

Party Planning

Leah Flor spoke to the creation of a party planning / wind up committee to plan a wrap up party event next season that will include all players. We would like a member from each division to work with an Executive member. Please sign up tonight and we can examine it more in February when determine the 2015 schedule. Alexis Tuyttens and _____ put forward their names.

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PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENTS

KWSL 2014 AGM PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO OUR CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 3 – EXECUTIVE

CURRENT LANGUAGE: 3. The Division Liaisons

The Division Liaisons shall handle all player registrations including team rosters, fee collection and BC Soccer affiliations. The Division Liaisons will ensure draft procedures are followed according to draft guidelines and that those women on the draft are informed of the outcome.

SUGGEST:

The Division Liaisons shall handle all player registration including team rosters (as per BC soccer requirements), fee collection as required, and reconciliation of these with the Treasurer before the season play begins. The Division Liaisons will ensure draft procedures are followed according to draft guidelines and that those women on the draft are informed of the outcome. The Division Liaisons will compare the previous closed rosters for all of that division to confirm the rosters contain registered, and eligible players prior to the season starting and then after to reflect changes for the duration of the season.

Motion - Leah

Second - Tracey E

Motion passed

ARTICLE 5- EXECUTIVE ELECTIONS

ADD

7. No Executive member can act as a team representative for KWSL required business (drafting/attendance at meetings/voting) for the duration of their term.

Motion - Leah

Second - Ali C

Motion passed

Article 5.6 -

Any elected vacancies which may occur on the Executive by reason of resignation or other event shall remain vacant until the next appropriate KWSL meeting. The membership shall be notified of any vacancies by the Executive. The newly elected Officer shall remain in the position for the duration of the original term.

Motion - Gale

Second - Tracey E

Motion passed

Article 6.2 and 6.3 - TERMS OF OFFICE

- 2. The terms of office of the remaining Executive members shall be elected for two year terms on an alternating basis.
- 3. The following positions will be elected on odd years: Stats/Website Manager, and Open Division Liaison. The following positions will be elected on even years: Secretary, Treasurer, Scheduler and Recreational Division Liaison.

Motion - Gale

Second - Tracey E

Motion Passed

Article 9.1.a.i MEETING

CURRENT LANGUAGE:

The Annual General Meeting of the KWSL shall be held on or before the first day of November of each year.

SUGGEST:

The Annual General Meeting of the KWSL shall be held before the <u>end of the</u> <u>first week</u> of November of each year

Motion – Gale

Second - Ali C

Motion passed

DOOR PRIZE Thanks to Fresh is Best for their donation of chips and dips

ELECTIONS

<u>Vice President</u> – the job description was read. Leah said that her duties this past year were mostly about stepping in and helping where needed and attending some meetings. It's a really good time to learn about how the Executive works. With the support of the rest of the Exec, it really is a nice job.

Leah Flor nominated Annette Hanna. Annette said possibly

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<u>Treasurer</u> – the job description was read. In lieu of services, executive members shall have their league fees waived for the term they serve.

As Sandra wasn't here yet, Heather spoke to the position. She said that it was very busy at team registration time and that we're always trying to find ways to make that process easier. Younger players joining the Exec would be nice as so many players are aging out.

No nominations at this time

Article 10 - LEAGUE STRUCTURE

4 options to be presented and voted, top 2 options to be presented again and then voted on again (as determined after the Sept 15, 2014 team rep meeting)

OPTION 1 – no changes. 2 divisions consisting of Open and Rec and able to tier with minimum 8 teams

OPTION 2 – change minimum teams per tier to 6 teams. Tier every season based on previous season standings.

OPTION 3 – change minimum teams per tier to 6 teams. Play one round with all Open teams then tier based on *current* year standings

OPTION 4 – create 3 divisions. Competitive, Semi Competitive and Rec. (See descriptions) Allow teams to self-select playing division annually but choices will be subject to roster and placement approval by the Executive

Kim H – when / how could we self-select?

Trish M - asks how the Exec could make this decision.

Discussion - The Exec already has this power and the Exec goal is objectiveness with the best interests of the league in mind. There has to be a system in place as a check and this would include viewing year over year rosters and statistics. The Exec hope that most teams would be realistic in how they play their teams yearly but checking has to be in place. The placement of teams would take place before a schedule is made and would not be flexible once the season started so is very important to get the placement right initially.

Tracey E asked about the logistics of player determination. Carded players that would be ineligible to play in rec could not move with an open team into the rec division.

Ali C clarified that option 2 would be the same practice as we've had this past season where teams keep their players and there's movement only at the end of the season based on stats of that season.

Vote taken to narrow the options to 2

Option 1 – 1 in favour

Option 2 - 15 in favour

Option 3 – 5 in favour

Option 4 - 17 in favour

Options now on the table – option 2 & 4

Cassy J – how many teams are willing to sign up for the competitive league? How viable would this division be?

Ali C – if we go with option 4 for we'll be going to where we were years ago with minimal teams in the competitive division. She feels like were going backwards. Ali can see where we're trying accommodate competitive players but doesn't feel like this is progress.

Heather says that she senses that the Rec division wants self-selection and this option (4) speaks to that. The will of the room should be reflected and people should consider the league as a whole.

Trish M - wants option 4

(Discussion went a little off topic because there are very passionate feelings about the rec division make up this past season)

Candace D – Rec division wants / needs more members. We need to keep a rec space available for those players that are best suited to that level of play. What is the league doing to make sure that rep / carded players are not playing rec?

Jacqui P - we shouldn't bow to threats from teams about folding.

Cassy J submits a motion to amend option 4 – if there isn't enough teams (6) to create a Competitive division we go back to tiering the Semi-Competitive division

Second - _____

Voting to amend Option 4

For - 22

Against - 2

Abstain - 2

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The difference now between option 2 and 4 is self-selection. The executive will still have the power to move teams.

Nicole I calls to question

Ali wants clarification - option 2 has movement annually, option 4 has no movement

Option 2 votes - 23 in favour

Option 4 votes – 18 in favour

Abstain votes - 1

Option 2 adopted

Division Descriptions~ if option 4

<u>Competitive: 18 years old as of Jan 1st of that season:</u> A division meant for players who have a thorough knowledge of the game with a a) high to elite skill level and b) desire to play at a competitive paced level of play. Slide Tackling is allowed. *Currently playing or carded* within BCHPL, PCL, Premier, Rep, All- Star, and University/College Level players CAN ONLY play in this division.

<u>Semi- Competitive</u>: 18 years old as of Jan 1st of that season: A division meant for players that have a fair knowledge of the game with a a) good to moderately advanced skill level and b) want to play at a more experienced and semi competitive pace. Slide Tacking allowed. A 2 year period must pass before any BCHPL, PCL, Premier, Rep, All- Star, and University/College Level, Carded player to be eligible to play in this division.

Recreational: 18 years old as of Jan 1st of that season: A division meant for players who a) have no or very little experience playing soccer, or b) wish to play at a relaxed to moderate pace. NO slide tackling allowed. A 5 year period must pass before any BCHPL, PCL, Premier, Rep, All- Star, and University/College Level player, Carded player is deemed as eligible to play in this division.

Article 10.2 League Structure (if option 1,2,3)

CURRENT LANGUAGE:

A 5 year period must pass before a Carded / All Star / Premier Player is deemed eligible to play in the recreational league

SUGGEST:

A 5 year period must pass before a Carded / All Star / Premier / Rep player is deemed eligible to play in the recreational league

Motion – Leah Second – Christine F

Motion passed

ARTICLE 12 - DRAFT & ROSTER

CURRENT LANGUAGE:

3. All new members to the League and returning players wishing to play on a different team will have their names entered onto the draft list (unless picked up as one of the 2 new recruits, allowed for a team as identified in Article 12.2).

SUGGEST:

3. All new members to the League and returning players wishing to play on a different team will have their names entered onto the draft list (unless picked up as one of the 2 new recruits allowed for a team as identified in Article 12.2). <u>Draftees will only be considered a viable draft pick if full registration is paid before the draft date.</u>

Motion – Leah

Second Tracey E

Motion passed

CURRENT LANGUAGE:

4. There will be a beginning of season draft. Subsequent drafts will not be guaranteed but will be held as needed and will not be considered earlier than four (4) weeks following the commencement of the season.

SUGGEST:

4. There will be a beginning of season draft. The draft forum will be decided by the Executive (Article 4.5) and could include exhibition games, meetings or a combination of the two.

Subsequent drafts will not be guaranteed but will be held as needed and will not be considered earlier than four (4) weeks following the commencement of the season.

Motion Leah

Second Ali C

Motion passed

CURRENT LANGUAGE:

7. Any players drafted during the second draft process or later, will be released at the end of the season and be eligible for pick-up for the following season. (Amended at the AGM, November, 2010)

SUGGEST: (clean up language only)

7. Players drafted in the first draft become a player on that teams closed roster for that season. Any players drafted during the second draft process or later, will be released at the end of the season and be eligible for pick-up for the following season. (Amended at the AGM, November, 2010)

Motion Cassy J

Second Gale

Motion passed

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ARTICLE 13 - PLAYING SEASON/KWSL CHAMPIONSHIP/PLAYOFFS CURRENT LANGUAGE:

Playoffs

- 4. Playoff format is as follows:
- a) League standings determine playoff position. Playoffs will occur per tier.
- b) Tournament style format for the Recreational Division Single knock-out games to be played on regular game nights for the Open Division(s). All divisions to have an award ceremony together on Saturday evening with no final games to be played on Sunday (as per AGM November, 2012). All playoff games (except the finals) will be thirty-five (35) minutes halves and will go straight to shoot-out to determine a winner, should there be a tie.

- c) The final playoff game will be forty-five (45) minute halves. If overtime is needed, then two (2) five minute halves will be played. If still tied, then a shoot-out will determine the outcome.
- d) Lines people provided for all playoff games including quarters/semi's and finals (all divisions).
- e) Playoff dates are determined in accordance to the schedule set at the start of the season
- f) Prize money for playoffs is one hundred dollars (\$100) for 1st place and fifty dollars (\$50) for second place.

SUGGEST:

- 4. Playoff format is as follows:
- a) League standings determine playoff position. Playoffs will occur per division and play off dates are determined in accordance to the schedule set at the start of the season, discussed by the team representatives, set by the appointed Scheduler, appropriate partners and reviewed by the Executive. (Article 13.2 Schedule)
- b) All playoff games (except finals) will be forty five (45) minutes halves and will go straight to shoot-out to determine a winner, should there be a tie
- c) The final playoff game will be forty-five (45) minute halves. If overtime is needed, then two (2) five minute halves will be played. If still tied, then a shoot-out will determine the outcome.

REMOVE

d) Lines people provided for all playoff games including quarters/semi's and finals (all divisions).

REMOVE

e) Playoff dates are determined in accordance to the schedule set at the start of the season.

Motion Leah

Second Gale

Motion passed

ARTICLE 13.7 - PLAYING SEASON/KWSL CHAMPIONSHIP/PLAYOFFS CURRENT LANGUAGE:

Points Awarded

7. Any team responsible for defaulting a game without forty eight (48) hours verbal or written notice may be charged with all expenses incurred in preparation for such game.

The defaulting team shall forfeit and the opposing team will be awarded three (3) points and a 1-0 win.

SUGGESTED:

7. Any team responsible for defaulting a game without <u>forty four (44)</u> hours verbal or written notice will be charged with a fine to cover the referee expenses associated with the game. The defaulting team shall forfeit and the opposing team will be awarded three (3) points and a 1-0 win.

Motion Leah

Second Tracey E

Motion passed

ARTICLE 15.3.h.2 - FINES

CURRENT LANGUAGE:

- h) Default/Forfeit of game not announced within the acceptable time frame or to the appropriate people, as defined by the Scheduler:
- 1. Cost associated with the refereesper current rates
- 2. Field costs (prices vary based on field assignment)

(Amended at the AGM: November, 2013)

Suggested:

- h) Default/forfeit of game not announced within the acceptable time frame (Article 13. (Points Awarded) 7)
- 1. Cost associated with the referees.....per current rates

Remove #2

Motion Gale

Second Nicole I

Motion passed

Submitted to the Executive ~ from Kelsey Winter

Article 4.1

We propose that the phrase "as they see suitable" be stricken from the current article and the following phrase be added in it's place "as per the specified guidelines in Article 10.4"

Article 10.4

We propose that the article be reworded to state the following: Teams may be moved up and down between divisions only if the following stipulations are met:

1. A vote will be held with all teams within the division in question, including the team being asked to move, as well as one randomly selected member of the executive. For a team to be moved to another division majority of voters (one per team) must vote that this is the best for the league. A second randomly selected member of the executive will vote to break a tie.

2. The team in question must have a point differential from the next best team exceeding 20 points from the final standings of the previous season

3. If the movement is up a division; majority of players on the team in question must be able to play at an Open level as determined by their soccer experience disclosed* when they joined the league. If the movement is down a division; no players on the team in question that are Carded/All Star/Premier will be able to move with the team.

Kelsey W spoke to her amendment and explained that although her team has had quite a few conversations with the Exec she feels they've been told something different every time and that her team would like specifics that have to be met instead of just 'feelings'. Annette spoke to Candace D's comment about the skill level volunteered by players registering and that in the rec division a number of players were singled out for having much more experience and skill than they disclosed when they registered. The Executive was told about players that were deemed not suitable for their division but there isn't a system in place to deal with registration errors after the season begins.

The Exec is trying to establish a closer relationship with KYSA so that we may exchange information regarding player status.

Trish M spoke allowing only rec teams to vote on the status of moving rec teams out of that division. She acknowledged that if the decision were exclusively up to the other teams within the division they might vote to move the team rather quickly.

Cassy J mentioned that we've discussed this length at the team rep meeting and several times in the past.

Tracey Epp called to question

Votes in favour of this proposed amendment – 10 Opposed – 23 Abstained – 2

The motion as submitted is defeated.

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ELECTIONS

<u>Rec Liaison</u> - Kathleen D nominates Kelsey Winter. Kelsey accepts. Lindsey Piggin nominates Annette Hanna. Annette declines. Congrats to Kelsey

<u>Vice President</u> – Ali C nominates Anoop Bains. Anoop declines. Annette accepts her nomination (from earlier)
Congrats to Annette

<u>Secretary</u> – the job is described as paperwork and communication heavy. Annette nominates Gale. Gale accepts.

Jacqui P mentions that she knows of another nominee but that person isn't present and a written notice hasn't been offered.

Congrats to Gale

<u>Treasurer</u> – Sandra suggests that the person be familiar with Simply or Action book keeping programs. The position is year round but super busy January thru March.

Ali nominated Sandra. Sandra declines Leah nominated Tracey Epp. Tracey accepts. Congrats to Tracey.

Leah would like to put forward a motion to create a <u>third liaison</u> position so that there's one per tier / division.

Ali seconds the motion.

Motion passes

Motion tabled to February after team placement so that nominations can be brought forward then.

<u>Scheduler</u> –
Gale nominates Jo. Jo accepts (via writing)
Congrats to Jo

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TEAM MOVEMENT -

The Executive announces that Duffy's and Kelly O's based on point spread will be moving up to Open.

½ SEASON-FEES WINNER - SHERI RIFE FULL SEASON-FEE WINNER - CANDACE DODSON-WILLIS

Meeting adjourned 8:45 pm

Attendance – (not to be posted on line)

DW Builders – Jenna Venables, Alexis Tuyttens Subway Spice – Middleton – Amy Anderson Fox n Hounds – Jacqui Powers Hansport – Ruckers – Anoop Bains

Ronik - Cassy Jurista, Nicole Ilic

Skilltech - Sheri Rife

Fresh is Best - Cynthia Strong, Tracey Epp

Hammer Shows - Aylsha Setka

Expert Collision - No player (Rick Nakashimada)

Danchuck - Kimberly Mackay, Monica Chan, Ali Campmans

Rebels - Kim Heyden, Charlotte Shaw

Duffy's – Faryn Brown, Emma O'Grady, Trish Meacher, Dani Ruscheinski, Robyn Sampson, Karen Laurillard, Kelsey Winter, Mary Kennard, Kathleen Dobson

Kelly O's - Lindsay Stobbe

HUB - Kelly Bestward, Cathy Killough

ICE – Lindsay Larson, Marie Sandy, Deidre Hay, Candace Dodson-Willis, Tara Geiger

Loric – Nadine Ryan, Sarah McCallum, Risa Drobot

Ladies Only – Andrea Hounslow, Carrie Joudrey

United - Christine Feere, Joy Casey