KAMLOOPS WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE Season (2013) Minutes of the Annual General Meeting November 3, 2013 Bread Garden Clubhouse – MacArthur Park

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the president Paula Hoffman at 6.37pm

The Executive Committee was introduced:

Paula Hoffman – President
Jenn Cambidge – Vice President
Natalie Penner – Treasurer
Leah Faraday – Past President
Jo McKenna – Scheduler
Annette Hanna – Rec Liaison
Lisa Theriault – Website / PR
Open Liaison – Leah Flor
Secretary – Gale Forbes (will be here later)

Membership Attendance:

According to the sign in sheets there were 30 attendees

Teams Absent:

United Spirit, Ronik Rockets, Subway Spice and Duffy's Pub were all absent and will be fined \$25

MINUTES & AGENDA

A motion was made by Jen Lasit and seconded by _____ for approval of the minutes from the last AGM.

The motion was passed.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Natalie Penner, Treasurer

Handed out financial statements - one per team (plus one attached here). Our income for the year was just over \$7000 despite taking a small loss financially on Fall ball. This overage will help to cover escalating costs expecting from referee fee increases without having to increase fees to players. Our total money on hand includes \$10,000 set aside to contribute to an indoor facility plus approx \$6000 team bonds. Lori Marchand suggested we put that money into a capitol investment / reserve account. The league had just under 500 players register. There were 19 refunded players.

Lori Marchand motioned to accept the financial statement with Cathy Killough seconding.

Motion passed

Jo McKenna, Scheduler

Lucky to have stepped in after the schedules were set and fields booked so appreciated the ease of her position. Looking forward to next season

Natalie noted that the city has refunded us money for fields in poor repair.

Jenn Cambidge, Vice President

She didn't have a ton of responsibilities as VP but started the year as Open Liaison and appreciated all the help from the teams and team reps as we got organized at the beginning of the season.

Paula Hoffman, President

Had a rough year personally with the large responsibilities on a new job and her trip to Italy. Extends a huge thanks to the Executive including Leah Faraday as Past President for all the help and encouragement received throughout the year.

Leah Flor, Open Liaison

Grateful that she could easily slide into taking over the roll partway through the season. Appreciates the help from the team reps and Jenn Cambidge.

Annette Hanna, Rec Liaison

As a new member to the Executive is very grateful to the rest of the Executive. Thanks to all the Rec team reps for helping the season go smoothly. Encourages any player to consider a roll on the exec

Lisa Theriault, Website

Thanks for all the help when the site was compromised. Things went smoothly because everyone was so helpful.

Leah faraday, Past President

Thanks to everyone, it's been great

CORRESPONDANCE

Ali Campmans extended Best Wishes from Mario Salituro for the 2013-2014 season. He's looking forward to meeting and working with the new executive.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed amendments

Thanks to Annette for all her help to get us to where we could clean up the wording in the constitution

Article 3.3

To change from:

The Public Relations/Website Manager

To:

Stats/Website Manager

Motion – Ali Campmans second - Tracy Hanson

Communication with media will still be included under this job description

Motion Passed (no opposition)

Article 3.2

To change from:

The membership shall elect from among themselves the following: President, Past President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Division Liaisons, Scheduler and Relations/Website Management. To:

The membership shall elect from among themselves the following: President/Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Division Liaisons, Scheduler and Stats/Website Manager.

Motion – Iori marchand Second - Dawn Daykin Jo McKenna notes that it should read Vice Pres / President Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 6.1

To change from:

The Vice President shall be elected for a three year term with the first year consisting of holding the office of Vice President, the second of which will be President and the third as Past President. The election of Vice President will occur every year.

To:

The Vice President shall be elected for a two year term with the first year consisting of holding the office of Vice President, and the second of which will be holding office as President. The election of Vice President will occur every year.

Motion – Ali Campmans Second Lori Marchand Lori Marchand asks if Past president will be an executive position without voting rights. Paula Hoffman clarifies that the intent is to do away with the position entirely.

Motion passed (no opposed)

6.3

To change Public Relations/Website Manager to Stats/Website Manager

Just clean up the language ~ motion not required

Article 9.1.a.v Article 9.1.b.iv Article 9.1.c.vi To change from:

Once a team's bond drops below one hundred and twenty five dollars (\$125), then the team will be declared not a team in good standing and needs to top their bond up to three hundred dollars (\$300) payable within thirty (30) days.

To:

Once a team's bond drops below **one hundred and fifty dollars** (**\$150**), then the team will be declared not a team in good standing and needs to top their bond up to **three hundred dollars** (**\$300**), payable within thirty (30) days.

Heather asks about the process. If the games are not rescheduled, why are the costs to teams so high? There often isn't 48hrs between games. Feels that our fees have already paid for fields and ref costs. Jo Mckenna notes that the fine is only the amount of the league costs for fields and refs. There isn't an option to deal with this tonight but perhaps we could examine this issue next year.

Motion - Cathy Killough Second - Ali Campmans

Lori Marchand questions the reason for the minimum to increase. Paula Hoffman explains that costs have gone up and a game cancelled could easily be up to \$150 Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 9.1.ii

To change from:

A minimum of fourteen (14) days written notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given via: a) KWSL website (www.kwsl.net) b) newspaper advertisement c) email to each Team Representative at her last known email address

To:

A minimum of fourteen (14) days written notice of the Annual General Meeting shall be given via

- a) KWSL website (<u>www.kwsl.net</u>) b) email to each League Member at her last known email address
- c) any other means deemed appropriate by the Executive

Motion - Candace Dodsen-Willis Second - Jacquie Powers

Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 11.7.b

To change to:

To be eligible for registration/membership as a new team to the League, a team must:

- a) Forward to the Executive, a written application form provided by the League **on or before January 1st**
- b) Have a minimum number of thirteen (13) players on the roster
- c) Only recruit 2 current KWSL members. No other players from a KWSL roster from the previous season will be considered eligible to form part of the team.
- d) Be approved by the League Executive as a team and be approved for the requested division
- e) Own at least one (1) full set of complete uniforms. (Note: all teams are required to have two (2) sets of jerseys; one set light and one set dark. New teams to the league are granted a one year (1) grace period to come up with a second set of jerseys)
- f) Pay their team League fees by the due date as set by the League

Motion - Lori Marchand Second - Dawn Daykin

Diane Jules questions the rational behind C. Paula explained that the league wants to protect all existing teams and doesn't want 2 teams to fold to create one new.

General discussion emphasizes that new teams must not be able to take from other teams any more than the 2 players every team has the opportunity to draft. Growth is the goal.

Only 13 players from the 3 folded teams entered last years draft.

Motion passed (32) (1 opposed, 2 abstained)

Article 11.10

To change from:

Given there are inherent and assumed risks associated with the sport of soccer, the KWSL has a **no refund policy**. Players should ensure their commitment level prior to completing the registration process. **Should a refund be issued to a player, a \$25.00 fee will be issued for so doing.** (amended at AGM November, 2012)

To:

Given there are inherent and assumed risks associated with the sport of soccer, the KWSL has a no refund policy **for those players who** have played in any league game during the current season.

Refunds will be considered on an individual basis providing a) the player requests the refund directly from the Executive b) the player has a valid reason for withdrawing registration c) have not requested a refund in the previous two (2) playing seasons. Players should ensure their commitment level prior to completing the registration process.

Motion - Dawn Daykin Second - Jacquie Powers

Add the wording about the refund fee into the amended version. There was discussion about whether it's fair that if a player is injured during game one they aren't eligible for a refund. Perhaps add to next years meeting?

Motion passed (no opposition)

Article 11.12

To change from:

If a player intends at any point during the season to become an active player they MUST pay their league fees in full and complete registration process by the deadline date as set by the Executive. To:

If a player intends at any point during the season to become an active player they MUST pay their league fees in full and complete registration process before being eligible to play and/or stepping onto the field. This includes having the team forward an updated roster to the Division Liaison. Any team proven to have used an ineligible player shall forfeit the game concerned (with fines applied per Article 15.3.h) and the opposing team shall be awarded the three (3) points and a 1-0 win. At the discretion of the Executive, the team may be sent to the Discipline Committee

Motion - Dawn Daykin Second - Tracey Epp Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 12.4

To change from:

There will be a beginning of the season draft and a 2nd round draft which will be held no earlier than four (4) weeks following the commencement of the season. Subsequent drafts will be held as needed.

To:

There will be a beginning of the 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.

Motion - Dawn Daykin Second - Jacquie Powers Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 12.6

To remove:

Players that remain on the draft list must be placed prior to the 2nd round draft list being opened.

Motion - Candace Dodsen-Willis Second - Dawn Daykin Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 12.10

Ok to change see 11.12

Article 13.1

To change from:

The League's playing season is from mid-April (depending on field readiness) to mid-August of each year. Playoffs included.

To:

The League's playing season to be mid-April (depending on field readiness) up to (and if needed) mid-September of each year. Playoffs included.

Motion - Jacquie Powers Second - Brittany Davies

Ali Campmans recalls that at the last AGM we discussed having the season end shortly after the August long and now we seem to be dragging the season out.

Fall ball may be eliminated if the season goes to Sept. Jo McKenna explains that playing once a week in the summer might mean a slightly longer season. The intention isn't to specifically extend the season; it's just to leave the option available Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 13.2

To change from:

Games are played twice a week. Schedule set by the appointed Scheduler and reviewed by the Executive.

To:

Games played twice a week in April, May, June and once a week, July, August, September. Playoff games could be a mixture of once or twice a week. Schedule to be set by the appointed Scheduler, appropriate partners, and reviewed by the Executive.

Motion - Dawn Daykin Second - Lori Marchand

General discussion included players enjoying playing once a week through the summer months but generally opposed to playing in September. Dawn Daykin motions we keep 2 games a week through July and once a week August and September. Candace Dodsen-Willis seconds.

Lori Marchand suggests the wording change to a minimum of one game a week and Ali Campmans asks that we try this format for one season and evaluate after.

Motion tabled to end of the night

DOOR PRIZE BREAK at 60min

Article 13.3

To change from:

While the various divisions/tiers will play on various nights of the week (depending on field availability and division of play), each division/tier will have 2 set days for play.

To:

While the various divisions/tiers will play on various days of the week (depending on field availability and division of play), each division will have a set day of play when playing once a week and two set days of play when playing twice a week. Game days to be set by the appointed Scheduler, appropriate partners, and reviewed/adjusted by the Executive as circumstances change.

Motion - Lori Marchand Second - Dawn Daykin Change wording to "each division will have set days of play." Eliminate "when playing once a week and two sets of days of play when playing twice a week." Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 13.4

To add:

Regular league games to be 45 minute halves. Start times are subject to change to reflect the season and safety allowance for the officials to regulate the game. Game start times are to be set by the appointed Scheduler, appropriate partners, and reviewed/adjusted by the Executive.

Motion - Lori Marchand Second - Dawn Daykin This new information could be included in the binder information to teams at the beginning of the season Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 14.6

To change from:

Failing access to the www.kwsl.net website, teams are to email in its place (providing all the same/necessary information.

To:

Failing access to the www.kwsl.net website, teams are to email **the Stats/Website Manager** in its place (providing all the same/necessary information.

See changes approved at Article 3.3

Article 15.3

To change from:

- i. Costs associated with the referees (fees may increase)......\$55
- ii. Plus field costs (prices vary based on field assignment)......\$8-\$37

To:

- i. Costs associated with the referees *per current rates*
- ii. Field costs (prices vary based on field assignment)

Motion - Lori Marchand Second - Jacquie Powers Motion passed (no opposed)

Article 15.3

To add:

Failure to wear the appropriate jersey colour as indicated by the schedule (Home-dark; Awaylight).........\$25

Motion - Ali Campmans Second - Jacquie Powers Motion passed (2 opposed)

Discussion about the value of forcing teams to have two sets. When reporting games, we should add question about correct jerseys

Article 20

To add:

In the event that a bursary is not used in any given year, consideration may be given to selecting two (2) eligible individuals the following year.

Motion – Dawn Daykin Second – Ali Campmans

Motion passed (no opposed)

DOOR PRIZES AND 85 MIN MARK

ELECTIONS

Positions available at the AGM -

Stats / Website, Treasurer, Vice President, Open Liaison

STATS / WEBSITE

Job description was read from the constitution with Lisa Theriault further describing her duties

Leah Faraday nominated Lindsey Piggen (and she accepts)

Lori Marchand seconded

Jo McKenna nominated Tracy Hansen (declined)

Congratulations Lindsey

OPEN LIAISON

Job description was read from the constitution with Annette Hanna and Leah Flor further describing their duties

Jo McKenna nominated Heather Rieben (and she accepts) Lori Marchand seconded Leah Flor was also nominated by Lisa Theriault (seconded by unknown)

The nominated ladies spoke on their own behalf Heather Rieben

"I think that the idea of having some experience, I know that Leah has experience as well, for the executive and what it takes to go through the registration process and the organization that it takes at the beginning of the season to do that is really important. I would hope that, given that I resigned as vice president last year, does not go into questioning me because it was never about my commitment to being part of the executive. It was about the way things were being run and I couldn't sorta stand beside that. So just as they're separate issues."

Leah Flor

"I'm here to represent the membership and I feel honored and treasured to be part of the open liaison role the short time that I had and it would be a continuation of that role that I had. I'm all about being an ambassador for women's soccer and those of you that know me know that I look to put a positive spin on things and whatever you guys bring forward is going to be out forward. And I think it's a really good opportunity to be involved with women in soccer."

A vote was taken after Heather and Leah left the room with a show of hands. Heather 16 Leah 11 Congratulations to Heather

TREASURER

Back ground experience is a requirement for this position. Natalie noted that registration time is very busy done the way we currently do it.

Tony Posteraro nominated Sandra Blair (Redford) she accepts Seconded by Leah Flor

Congratulations Sandra

VICE PRESIDENT

Leah Flor nominated by Ali Campmans Seconded by Lisa Theriault Jo McKenna nominated Ali Campmans (declined)

Congratulations Leah Flor

NEW BUSINESS

League Format

Teams to declare – returning for 2014

Teams present and declaring that they plan to return next season

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Columbia Ice	Danchuk	Middleton	Earls
Expert Collision	Fox n Hounds	Fresh is Best	Hansport
Kelly O's	Ladies Only	Loric	Rivercity
Ronik	Ruckers	Skilltech	Stainer U
Hub Capz	United Spirit		

Kemp – return unknown. Please canvas team and let Executive know asap

Subway Spice and Duffy's Pub not present – will follow up with after meeting

Any new teams – 1 considering Open division

Format will be one Open division, not tiered with only 13 teams (as of current counts)

With the large point differential at the bottom of tier 2, United will be moved to Rec. (leaving 7 teams in tier2)

With the point differential being only 6 points between 1^{st} and second place in Rec no change would occur.

Per the constitution a division doesn't have to have 8 teams to be considered a division. (Rec can be viable with only 7 teams)

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Discussion item</u> put forth from Ali Campmans Seconded by Natalie Penner

She would like us to discuss keeping second round draft picks on the roster automatically (not as recruits)

Passionate discussion came from Heather Reiben, Ali Campmans, Natalie Penner, Jo McKenna

Article 12.8 to include that teams would automatically keep <u>all</u> drafted players on their rosters automatically

8 in favour, 16 opposed Motion defeated

Ali Campmans would like discussion regarding league movement. Up and down movement should be restricted to the Open division and moving teams from Rec to Open should be voluntary. Teams would have the option to move from Open to rec with authorization from the executive

That is, teams changing Divisions would do so voluntarily only Dawn seconded

Again, very passionate discussion both pro and con came from the floor.

Constitution regarding team movement was read aloud for clarification

Motion redefined as;

Team movement should be voluntary between Open and Recreational instead of mandatory

In favour 4, opposed many

DOOR PRIZES at 130 min

NEW BUSINESS

Playoff Format

Single knock out worked but scheduling is still an issue. What would the membership like to see?

Re-visit 13.2 (tabled earlier)

If we're aiming for approx 30 games per season, we could add exhibition games to meet that target. All teams should have the same number of games.

Lori Marchand suggests a playoff A and B pool so that teams can continue to play.

Tony (name) suggested a mid season tournament

Decision to finish discussion regarding 13.2 before playoff format can be determined.

An informal show of hands to stretch out the season to end after mid August counted at 17 in favour with 14 voting to leave the current end in place.

Dawn Daykin's motion re-read to change "once a week in July, August and September" to "a minimum of once a week in July, August and September" And to try this for one year.

Heather Rieben seconded

Motion passed (one opposed)

This format will help determine playoff format

Lori Marchand addressed the crowd on a personal note. She isn't sure about her playing future but wanted to pass along how much value she saw in Fall ball. She thanked everyone that played and thought Fall ball was a fabulous way to get new players on the pitch.

Leah Flor addressed the stats of fall ball. The league lost money but new players are now playing indoor and hopefully will be joining outdoor teams in the spring.

DOOR PRIZE 160 MIN

½ League Fee Winner for 2014 season ∼ Anoop BainsFull League Fee Winner for 2014 season ∼ Tracey Epp

MEETING ADJOURNED 9.15pm

