November 8, 2018 KWSL AGM Meeting Minutes

Called to order: 7:05

In Attendance:

Fran Bruno - Treasurer

Regrets:

Jenn Perozak - Secretary

Melissa Dunn - President Christine Feere - Scheduler Dianna Cattermole - Div 2 Liaison Kathleen MacDonald - Div 1 Liaison

Ali Campmans – Vice president

Sandy Blacquiere – Member at Large Cassy Jurista – Rec Division Liaison

Cara Nordin - Webmaster

Teams:

Fast Cut Fury - Karla Thompson, Faryn Brown Corryn Brown, Erin Pincott

DW Builders – Jenna Venables, Jenna Hardy Naomi Martin

Ironroad - Jenn Christie, Mallory Emsland

Jimmy's Ice - Steffanie Cook, Candace Dodson-Willis Cara Dawson, Terri Hansen

Smooth Effects - Kim Heyden, Elisha Trigg Kathleen Dobson,

Con hawks - Nicky Plato, Kady Rose, Carrie Joudrey

Spice - Alix Swint, Alexa Melnychuk,

Danchuk - Loredana Gough,

Kelly O's - Joy Casey, Nicky Cherry

Fresh is Best - Veronica Kernaghan, Katlynn Jorgenson

West Eco - Leslie Crawford, Kelly McDonald, Lindsay Thomson

Millennials - Kayla Grant

Duffy's - Karen Laurillard, Summon Bouranin, Trish Meacher, Emma O'Grady

Earls - Deb Piggin, Lindsay Wourms

Four Star - Christina Poirier, Krystal Pearsen

Rockin Firkin Reccos - Cathy Cuglietta

Kal Tire – Julie Taylor **Metro** – Deanna Wyle **Shooters** – Jacqui Powers

Absent: Ronik Rockets

 Melissa Dunn called meeting to order and introduced the Board. Acceptance of last year's AGM minutes. Motion to accept the minutes Jackie Power. Second Katelyn Rossen. Motion passed.

2. Board of Director's Reports

Melissa Dunn - positive year very few issues.

Ali Campmans – dealt with discipline and cards. 24 yellow and 2 red. KSRA had two discipline issues, one referee was asked to no longer referee KWSL games.

Kathleen MacDonald - no fires was a positive. No issues in her division.

Cara Nordin - managed the website.

Diana Cattermole – thanked the Exec for stepping in when needed Cassy Jurista – no issues positive season.

Christine - thank you for the quick responses from team reps

3. Treasurer's Report

Finances are good. Last year lost a little, this year saved through using BC Soccer insurance. Came out \$500 ahead. Last year lost \$4000 - referee costs were less made a big impact

4. Other reports -

Ali Campmans - 7 a side for over 35 year olds. Masters division was tried a few years ago was not enough teams. This would be on mini fields and on a drop in basis. Place for players who are still competitive but would like to play their own age group. Took a show of hands of players who would be interested, at least 1/4 of the room interested.

Substitute roster - Exec discussed this. Must be 48 hours before cancellation so this would be a different registration. Would be on call for teams. Board would be in charge of the list. Would be rotating. Logistics of insurance, different fee to be discussed further.

Question from the floor – Could you choose from Draft list or Substitute list? Yes

Question - If you didn't get drafted could you choose to go on Substitute list?

Yes

Question - Would you have to decide which division you would play in? Ali answered - application might specify which division.

Q - cost?

Pro-rated perhaps. Pay per game perhaps, deposit at beginning? Various logistics to be worked out.

Show of hands in interest - at least 1/2 the room

5. Old business/new business

a. Board of Directors elections

Positions open are: 5 up for election the other 5 have another year. Ali, Sandy, Di, Jenn, Cara are staying for another year. Cara Nordin stated that she would like to resign her position. Cassy explained how election works.

Melissa Dunn is putting name forward again
Fran Bruno is putting her name forward again
Carla Thompson put her name forward
Loredana Gough nominated - Loredana accepted
Faryn Brown is nominated
Christine Feere is putting her name forward again.
Kathleen Dobson is putting her name forward
Cathy Cuglietta is nominated

Nominations closed. Paper handed out. 6 people to be voted for. People nominated asked to stand up to be identified.

Cassy Jurista and Kathleen MacDonald counted votes.

6. Amendment considerations

Melissa states that amendments were not given out to membership in a timely enough manner so Bylaws cannot be voted on. Rules and regulations can be. Ali states that 2016/17 amendments must be voted on will be sent out as a package to membership and members can vote on whole package.

Article 18

Is a clarification to make the statement more specific – 20 point spread is to be between last place team and the team above them.

Originally stated:

The lowest placed team will choose the first pick (allowing teams with a 20 point spread difference to get the first two (2) draft picks).

To say: The lowest placed team to get the first two (2) draft picks if, and only if, there is a twenty point spread between themselves and the team above them in the standings).

Jackie Powers motioned and Veronica Leonard seconded.

Discussion:

All in favour – clear majority (43) Opposed – 0 Abstaining – 3 Motion carried.

Article 17 - Registration of players and fees Motion - Kathleen Dobson seconded by Loredana Gough

Originally stated: Article 17 - Registration of Players & Fees

6 d) Be eighteen (18) years old as of Jan. 1st of the current year. The signature of the players legal guardian will be required on the Registration and Insurance forms for any player eighteen (18) years old.

Change to read:

Be sixteen (16) years old as of Jan 1st of the current year. The signature of the players legal guardian will be required on the Registration and Insurance forms for any players sixteen (16) years old. Only two (2) players in total of the ages 16, 17, & 18 are eligible on any KWSL team roster.

Discussion:

Would this effect fees or legals? No

What ages does KYSA go? KYSA goes to 18 years of age.

Ali spoke to someone from KYSA (Mark Bell) and was told it would not effect the KYSA numbers.

Deb Piggin - would the youth be able to play in both leagues, Sandy answered that BC Soccer won't allow youth to play in both.

Concerned that KYSA numbers would be effected - Ali reiterates that was told it won't effect numbers

Jackie Powers – said it was a learning curve for her daughter but not too difficult Candace – president of KYSA spoke to this and stated it would effect KYSA and KWSL should be marketed better for after KYSA

Trish Meacher – youth are not necessarily a Div 1 player and younger players playing in Rec Div would be an issue. Rec Div had a former concern regarding this.

Cassy spoke to looking at the rosters and questioned people regarding where they would like to play.

Call to question:

In favour: 6

Opposed: majority 33

Abstain: 4

Motion defeated.

Article 7C:

Melissa summarized; Recruits change from 4 to 5 and they must be released in writing from previous team.

Motion: Jackie Powers, Second Veronica Leonard

Originally stated:

7 c) Only recruit 4 current KWSL members. No other players from a KWSL roster from the previous season will be considered eligible to form part of the team. No exceptions. At least 13 players from the January 1 roster must remain with the team on the final roster submitted with team registrations.

Change to read:

Only recruit 5 current KWSL members must be released from their previous teams via written documentation. No other players No exceptions. At least 13 players from the January 1 roster must remain with the team on the final roster submitted with team registrations.

Discussion:

Kathleen Dobson - increasing players and documentation? Yes.

Melissa clarified that this is only for creating a new team.

Q - is this if it's 5 from one team or from 5 different teams? Yes, still needed

Q - existing team need written permission or just new team?

Cassy clarified that there are two different regulations. Only one is for new teams being formed. Currently can only have two KWSL members or they have to sit for a year.

Q - Trish clarify talking about a new team? Yes. That new team must stay on that roster as of Jan. cannot move change. At least 13 of the original roster must still be on it.

Call to Question:

Favour: 26 Opposed: 12 Abstain: 9

Motion passed.

Article 19 - Playoffs

Ali clarifies that this is for the middle not the assistant referees.

Melissa reads out motion "that in the case of a no show middle referee the game shall be awarded a tie 0-0 unless a BC Soccer Youth or District referee is available to officiate the game."

Motion - Kathleen Dobson Second - Loredana Gough

Discussion: None

Favour: 46 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 3

Motion carried.

Article 4D - Playoff format

Motion: Veronica Leonard Second: Jackie Powers

Originally stated:

4 d) Playoff format is as follows (d) Prize money for playoffs is one hundred dollars (\$100) for 1st place and fifty dollars (\$50) for 2nd place.

Change to read:

Prize money for playoffs is two hundred dollars (\$200) for 1st place and one hundred (\$100) for 2nd place.

Q - concern that league is losing money so why should we be increasing fees? Fran addresses that. There is a significant amount in the bank to cover this increase. Ali did not accept the friendly amendment.

Q - Deb Piggin is it the same teams that win every year? Christine addressed this saying no.

Call to question.

Favour: 33 Opposed: 8 Abstain: 6

Motion carried.

Article 18 - Draft and Rosters Change from 4 to 6 new recruit Jackie motion Second Kathleen

Originally read:

Rosters submitted at the beginning of a given season can only consist of the names listed on the previous year's roster and four (4) new recruits. Teams need a minimum of 13 players listed on their roster in order to be eligible to enter the league. Change to read:

Rosters submitted at the beginning of a given season can only consist of the names listed on the previous year's roster and six (6) new recruits. Teams need a minimum of 13 players listed on their roster in order to be eligible to enter the league.

Discussion:

Concerns that 6 players could come from same team.

Rosters submitted

Friendly Amendment: could the players not be from the same team currently playing in the KWSL?

Original motioner Cathy Cuglietta turned down the friendly amendment.

Q - does 6 recruits mean teams could be stacked?

Cathy responded that players do not be necessarily have to come from same team and is meant to replace those that drop out or get injured

Katie - disagrees with stacking 6 recruits would be nice

Draft still protects teams from stacking and 6 is a significant number

Deb - good idea in some ways as some are nervous of the draft and like to go where they know others, increases membership in a friendly way

Di – played in league before draft, draft improved the league immensely. Does not like the recruit as it defeats the purpose of a draft. Mixed feelings about recruits Kim – her team lost 4 players and had 6 not coming back, team had to fold because of recruiting. Trying to boost the numbers but this may not be the way.

Q - shouldn't be about stacking and people should be able to pick your teammates.

Q - can the experience level of the recruits be monitored?

Jackie – amendment coming up to change the midseason draft to allow players to remain on the roster

Q – two people were picked up and would remain on team which effects their recruiting.

Call to Question:

Favour: 9 Opposed: 22 Abstain: 14

Motion defeated.

Article 7

Summary Players drafted in first and second draft remain on team. Motion Jackie Powers Second Loredana Gough

Originally stated:

Players drafted in the first draft become a player on that team's closed roster for the 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.

Change to read:

Players drafted in the first and second draft become a player on the team's closed roster for the season. Rest removed.

Favour: 48
Opposed: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion carried.

Article 18 - Draft and Roster

Removing players from active roster if fail to show for 8 consecutive games without notice.

Add:

- 8. If any player on the team (including one of the 4 new recruits) fails to attend 8 or more consecutive games and fails to inform the team rep of the reason for their absence, this player may be removed from the active roster and a replacement player selected.
 - a. Prior to removing the player from the active roster, the team will notify the player in writing that they are being removed.
 - b. The replacement player must be approved by the Board and fees paid in full prior to commencement of play. The replacement of a player may occur at any point during the season. Fees may be pro-rated, determined by the Board.

Ali wishes to make a friendly amendment: replacement player be selected from outside if and when draft roster has been depleted.

Cathy accepted.

Fran amends that fees will not be refunded.

Cathy accepted.

Melissa amends that the Board be notified in writing as well as the player

Addition will read:

If any player on the team (including one of the 4 new recruits) fails to attend 8 or more consecutive games and fails to inform the team rep of the reason for their absence, this player may be removed from the active roster and a replacement player selected from outside if and when the draft roster has been depleted. Fees will not be refunded.

a. Prior to removing the player from the active roster, the team will notify the player and the Board in writing that they are being removed. b. The replacement player must be approved by the Board and fees paid in full prior to commencement of play. The replacement of a player may occur at any point during the season. Fees may be pro-rated, determined by the Board.

Motion: Jackie Powers Second: Veronica Leonard

Discussion: none

Favour: 46
Opposed: 1
Abstain: 1
Motion carried.

Announcement of the new Board members:

Fran Bruno
Melissa Dunn
Karla Thompson
Kathleen Dobson
Faryn Brown
Christine Feere

One motion tabled from the AGM as members who made the motion are not present to amend or clarify the motion. Regarding Article 17 VIIc.

League Structure:

Discussion regarding league structure and movement. Is only discussion not decision. Open division of 10 teams.

Rec Division of 10 teams.

This could change with registration of the teams and with entry of new teams in February.

Movement down can be refused.

Based on standings this is what it looks like presently but is dependent on teams. Tier must have 6 teams.

Tough for a team as they do not know where they are going. By January 1st should be more clear.

Duffy's may have to fold without knowing where they are going.

Is there an option to combine top Rec team and bottom Div 2?

Teams that are on the cusp a decision must be made when these teams are notified in order for players to make decisions.

Cassy addressed the fact that this was not discussed at the last year's AGM and it is an issue that need to be addressed in the future.

Q Deb Piggin will some of this discussion be solved in the SGM with the By-Laws that are to be voted on? Board agreed.

Draw for next year's fees Joy Casey Jackie Powers

Motion to close the AGM Jackie Powers Second Veronica Leonard.

Meeting adjourned 9:06