

Southeast Ontario Soccer Association

Board Meeting

October 18th, 2016

Present: Mark Ethier, Wayne Buller, Kevin Fox, Alex Fletcher, Steve Jaeger, Bob Machin

Staff Present: Joanie Sagriff, Marguerite Heer

Regrets: Chelsea Reynolds, Rob Costa, Caitlin Baron, Mike Whiteman, Ryan Gardner

1. Call to Order – 6:47pm
2. Welcome & Introductions – Mark Ethier
3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality
 - a. None identified
4. Adoption of Agenda – Motion by Steve Jaeger, 2nd by Wayne Buller, Carried
5. Adoption of September 20th, 2016 Board Minutes. Motion by Kevin Fox, 2nd by Alex Fletcher, Carried
6. Financial Report – Wayne Buller
 - a. Proposed budget for 2016-17 attached
 - b. The surplus is lower than originally anticipated due to some changes made.
 - c. Looking to make SOSAL entirely self-sufficient, and possibly spin it off to its own accounting.
 - d. For referee assigning fees, the District is looking at no longer subsidizing these fees. At the moment, it is \$2 per game to the assignor, and \$2 per game to E2E. Instead of an immediate \$4 hit per game to affected leagues/groups, this would likely be stepped in over a couple of years.
 - e. Motion to approve budget for presentation at the AGM by Wayne Buller, 2nd by Steve Jaeger. Carried.
7. Staff Reports
 - a. District Administrator
 - a. AGM Date set for November 27, 2016. Location now finalized as Invista.
 - b. Books went to accountants today. Once they're back, quickbooks will be installed on the new office computer. Recommended that we move to quickbooks online (bit more expensive, but updates are automatic/etc). Wayne said that he'll look into the budget to ensure that will be covered under office expenses/etc.

- b. DRC
 - a. At OSA Match Official recognition date, Abel Almeida won match officials award. SOSA also won a defibrillator.

8. Business Arising from Previous Meeting

- a. Mediator, ReCreation Consultants
 - a. Mediator to present report shortly.
- b. Committee Report (Policy review)
 - a. Alex commented on the various suggested constitutional amendments and rule changes that were sent out to the District members.
 - b. Kevin Fox noted that his board expressed some discontent with the idea of making the board smaller. There is a worry that there is too much focus on competitive/rep players/etc as opposed to the majority of players in the district, "house league"/recreational players.
 - c. Possible friendly amendment suggestion raised to still work to slim down board by changing three location representatives to "east recreational", "central recreational", and "west recreational". Remove other three location representatives, and replace with a single "competitive rep", and rename "seniors" to "adult".
 - d. Overall, will gauge based on discussion at the AGM.
- c. Committee Report (TAG)
 - a. TAG meeting tomorrow night (Oct 19, 2016). Report to come at next board meeting.

9. New Business

- a. Upcoming AGM
 - a. Non-returning directors are Mark Ethier (president) and Steve Jaeger (West rep). Wayne Buller expressed interest in moving into the President position, while still leaving Alex Fletcher as OSA representative. All others standing for position.
 - b. Savas Kekkias expressed interest in role of Treasurer.
 - c. Who can nominate? When can nominations come in?
 - d. **Action Item:** Alex to check by-laws to confirm this.
- b. Defibrillator
 - a. What can we do with this?
 - b. **Action Item:** Joanie to email all clubs to see if any are looking into purchasing one. If so, perhaps offer to sell to one and split monies among rest as a SOSA "grant" towards their defibrillator, or maybe even have a draw at AGM for it.
- c. KTI Sportsplex
 - a. Bob Machin recommended sending a letter to them to inquire as to their intentions. They may not respond, but it's worth the effort as the representatives of the clubs that actively use it.
 - b. **Action Item:** Joanie to draft letter.
- d. U16 Girls National Championships

- a. The final (posted from Lethbridge due to heavy snowfall) will be played at the KTI Sportsplex on Oct 29 at 11:30a between Woodbridge (ON) and Lakeshore (QB).
- b. News posted by CSA this am on twitter and website. Posted on SOSA website and twitter this afternoon. No direct contact as yet from CSA or OSA about this event taking place in Kingston area.

11. Motion to adjourn at 7:39pm by Bob Machin, 2nd by Wayne Buller, Carried.