



ALBERTA SOCCER ASSOCIATION
The Governing Body of Soccer in Alberta

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ASA Board Minutes

June 6, 2015

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: ASA Office

Approved (August 22, 2015)

In attendance:

Glenn Montgomery, President
Sherri Thorsen, Director of Finance
Rob Zicarelli, Director-at-large
Shaun Hammond, Director-at-large
Richard Adams, Executive Director

Ted Yoo, Vice President
Ole Jacobsen, Past President
Malcolm Pritchard, Rural Director
Danny Bowie, Rural Director

Absent w/ Regrets:

Jim Moore, Director-at-large

1. Call To Order

M351 *Motion: Call meeting to order*
M/S/C

Meeting was called to order at 8:10 AM

2. Approval of Agenda

- A. Committee Updates
 - a. Judicial Committees
 - i. Nominations Committee – See attachment
 - 1. Committee Report
 - 2. Appointed Vacancy
 - b. Ad-Hoc Committees
 - i. Women's Committee
 - 1. Conference Update
 - 2. Meeting Environment
 - c. Finance Committee
 - i. Quarter 2 Results
 - d. Risk Management Committee
 - i. Code of Conduct / Conflict of Interest



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- e. Governance & By-laws
 - i. By-Laws
 - ii. Rules & Regulations
 - f. Strategic Planning Committee
 - i. Update
 - g. Technical
 - i. Technical Director Report
 - h. Referee Development Committee Update
 - i. Referee Development Officer Report
 - i. Competitions Committee
 - i. Competitions Coordinator Report
 - ii. CSA Competitions Committee
- B. New Business
- a. EIYSA U6 – U8

M352 Motion: To approve the agenda as amended.
M/S/C

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

- A. April 11, 2015

M353 Motion: To approve the April 11, 2015 ASA BOD Minutes as presented.
M/S/C

4. Review of Action Items

- A. Current State of CIS –Club Soccer & CIS Schedule (A301)
 - a. There have been meetings with clubs and CIS representatives to explore the current impact of the CIS on club soccer and a long term solution. It is a desire of all parties involved that the ASA create a draft solution for an operational model moving into 2016.
 - b. The CIS schedule was released for the fall of 2015 and Canada West has made efforts to schedule local schools against one another around Thanksgiving weekend to accommodate nationals.
- B. Jurisdictional Scan on discipline probation (A304)
 - a. There is no evidence that any Provincial Soccer Association or other Alberta based sports organization that allows for first time offenders to have a probation period to help reduce long term penalties for good behaviour. Further research with the districts will be undertaken before implementation of a test policy.



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- C. Soccer priority survey for U16 – U18 players (A305)
 - a. Given the discussions in the meetings with clubs and CIS schools it is clear that they agree that U16 and U18 players set high priority on post-secondary participation. At this stage there is no need for a survey of players in this age category.
- D. EMSA Linesman Course (A311)
 - a. The ASA and EMSA have agreed on a course of action for the 2016 referee season. Language around how the course is advertised, taught and the materials used will be changed to form a pilot within ASA guidelines.
- E. EMSA – CMSA U20 League Proposal
 - a. The proposal has been referred back to CMSA and EMSA to discuss with the local adult leagues who operate age categories above U18.

5. Agenda

- A. Committee Updates
 - b. Judicial Committees
 - i. Nominations Committee – See attachment
 - 1. Committee Report
 - a. The report noted that guidelines around campaigning should be drafted prior to the 2016 AGM. The board will also hold a candidates forum on the Friday evening prior to the social.

A315 Action: R. Adams to draft campaigning guidelines for the 2016 AGM.

- 2. Appointed Vacancy
 - a. There have been no candidates put forward to date. The Board will continue their search but will be cognizant of the timelines for appointment as the term is ending at the 2016 AGM.
 - c. Ad-Hoc Committees
 - i. Women's Committee
 - 1. Conference Update
 - a. The Women's conference running June 6 – 7 has generated lots of media interest (Al Jazeera, Global, CBC). The committee will review the results of the conference and report back to the Board about next steps. The Board of Directors is encouraging the group to continue engagement in this space in 2016.
 - 2. Meeting Environment
 - a. The ASA will be engaging a local expert to present to the membership about meeting environment and behavior in sports environments that affect female participation.



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A316 Action: R. Adams to engage a local expert to present to the membership on women in sport.

d. Finance Committee

i. Quarter 2 Results

1. The results do not vary significantly from the results posted in quarter 1. The projected results through 2 quarters is \$(531,303) with the actual result being \$(248,171). The quarter 1 discrepancies accounted for \$210,000 net positive leaving the ASA \$73,132 ahead of the year end projected results.

e. Risk Management Committee

i. Code of Conduct / Conflict of Interest

1. The Board of Directors agreed that a new Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest document is needed with a compromise between the drafted ASA version by sport law (10 pages) and the Ontario Soccer draft (2 pages).

A317 Action: R. Adams and the Risk Management committee to prepare a draft Code of Conduct / Conflict of Interest Statement.

f. Governance & By-laws

i. By-Laws

1. The By-Laws Committee met with Don Story of the CSA on June 4 to discuss the steps needed to align the ASA By-laws and Rules & Regulations with the CSA. The current ASA By-laws are sufficient today but will require small modification by the end of 2016 to comply with recent CSA changes. The Board will invite Don Story out to meet with the board in September and then to present the changes to the membership in November at the planning meeting.

ii. Rules & Regulations

1. The Board of Directors will stand by their position on Rule 4.B.v that the rules restricting players to 1 club are interpreted around cup tied competitions and not participation in recreational, competitive leagues.

g. Strategic Planning Committee

- i. The Chair of the committee and ED are revising the objectives of the Association in draft form for review by the committee. ASA staff are being engaged for a re-design of the document for better public presentation.

h. Technical

i. Technical Director Report

1. The TD report was reviewed with no significant action items or questions regarding content.

i. Referee Development Committee Update



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- i. Referee Development Officer Report
 - 1. The RDO report was reviewed with no significant action items or questions regarding content.
 - j. Competitions Committee
 - i. Competitions Coordinator Report
 - 1. The Competitions Coordinator report was reviewed with no significant action items or questions regarding content.
 - ii. CSA Competitions Committee
 - 1. The Board of Directors was updated on the CSA Competitions Committee status that is under review. There is a strong possibility that it will return to specific provincial representation. A final decision will not be made until the Nationals Competitions review is complete.
- B. New Business
 - a. EIYSA U6 – U8
 - i. There have been confirmed issues around clubs running tryouts or evaluations for the purpose of selecting players at U6 and U8 programs. This is in direct contradiction to the agreement between ASA and EIYSA around their program approval. The Board of Directors agreed that a letter should be sent to EIYSA explaining that this practice must stop or the Board will review the status of the program agreement.

A318 Action: R. Adams to send a letter to EIYSA stating the ASA's concerns with tryouts and evaluations at the U6 – U8 level.

6. Next Meeting

- A. August 22, 2015
 - a. Calgary

7. Adjournment

*M354 Motion: To adjourn the BOD Meeting
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Adjournment 11:57 AM



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Catalogue of Motions

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