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ASA Board Minutes

April 23, 2016 4:45 PM – 7:00 PM

Location: Delta South Calgary, AB

Approved (June 18, 2016)

In attendance:

Glenn Montgomery, President Ole Jacobsen, Past President Danny Bowie, Rural Director Wayne Dosman, Director of Finance Kathryn McNeil, Director-at-large Richard Adams, Executive Director

Absent with regrets:

Sherri Thorsen, Vice President Jeannie Hawksworth, Rural Director Jim Moore, Director-at-large Shaun Hammond, Director-at-large

1. Call To Order

M405 Motion: Call meeting to order M/S/C

Meeting was called to order at 4:45 PM

2. Approval of Agenda

- A. Committee Updates
 - a. Judicial Committees
 - i. Board Nominee
 - ii. Discipline Committee
 - 1. Canada Soccer Chris Billings
 - 2. U of A Study Presentation
 - b. Finance Committee
 - i. Membership Fee Collection
 - ii. Dr. Herb Link Memorial Fund
 - c. Governance & By-laws Committee
 - i. Policy Authorization
 - d. Competitions Committee
 - i. Competitions Age Changes Meeting

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- 1. Soccer Structure Symposium
- ii. CIS AMSL Next Steps
- e. Referee Development
 - i. Rule 13.G Exemption Request
- B. Other Business
 - a. CSA Board of Directors
 - i. President
 - 1. Victor Montagliani
 - ii. AB/NWT
 - 1. Ole Jacobsen
 - 2. Ryan Fequet
 - iii. Atlantic
 - 1. Chris James
 - 2. Grant MacDonald
 - 3. Gerald MacDonald

M406 Motion: To approve the agenda as amended M/S/C

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

A. March 26, 2016

M407 Motion: To approve the March 26, 2016 ASA BOD Minutes as presented. M/S/C

4. Review of Action Items

- A. Provincial Competition Results (A351)
 - a. The results from the indoor youth provincials were reviewed. It was clear that the results favoured EMSA in this one year but over the course of 3 years (indoor and outdoor) there are stable results that reflect fair competition. Every district, regardless of the number of teams sent, medalled in at least one (1) competition. Further review around the Tier 1 declarations will be performed ahead of the 2017 indoor championships as they were identified as a contributing factor to the skewed results.

5. Agenda

- A. Committee Updates
 - a. Judicial Committees

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- i. Board Nominee
 - 1. The President will be following up with the three candidates who have expressed interest for presentation at the June 18, 2016 meeting.
- ii. Discipline Committee
 - 1. Canada Soccer Chris Billings
 - a. Canada Soccer requires that the hearing re-schedule fee be paid before proceeding with any appeals.
 - 2. U of A Study Presentation
 - a. The results of the discipline study will be published to the Board of Directors on June 2, 2016. After the results are received they will be distributed to the members with a goal towards targeted senior soccer meetings to use the study to reduce discipline.
- b. Finance Committee
 - i. Membership Fee Collection
 - 1. There continues to be positive moves forward in relation to full registration across the membership. The three districts where anomalies were discovered are in open conversations with Alberta Soccer about the final steps required to be in full in compliance by the summer of 2017.
 - ii. Dr. Herb Link Memorial Fund
 - 1. The fund has been stagnant at \$8,877 since 1994. Researching how the fund came into existence has been difficult but the board agreed that attempts to use it under the current information available about the grant should be made immediately. This could include assistance to refugees, aboriginal groups or other under-represented groups within soccer. Further should be done on the ASA website to drive traffic to organizations that help under-privileged youth participate in soccer.
- A354 Action: R. Adams to update the ASA website to help point individuals to resources available for players that require financial assistance.
 - c. Governance & By-laws Committee
 - i. Policy Authorization
 - 1. Some concerns were expressed about control of the Rules & Regulations based on the conversation in the Governance & By-

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laws meeting during the planning meeting. There remains a desire to update the process by which each rule or policy is updated but it is clear today that the Rules & Regulations are controlled by the membership or can be updated by the Board of Directors and ratified by the membership.

- d. Competitions Committee
 - i. Competitions Age Changes Meeting
 - 1. The Board of Directors agreed that a Special Meeting is required to determine the age categories for soccer given the change at the Nationals level.

M408 Motion: To call a Special Meeting to debate the soccer age categories for the 2016 – 2017 indoor season and beyond on June 18, 2016 in Red Deer.

M/S/C

- 2. Soccer Structure Symposium
 - a. The Board will delay any decisions on a symposium on soccer structure until core decisions on the age group structure are complete and the CIS – Club Soccer (see below) is completed.
- ii. CIS AMSL Next Steps
 - 1. The schedule change by Canada West men means that is a direct conflict on labour day and the weekend prior with Provincial qualifiers. There is a clear need to protect the Regular (district) Members within Alberta Soccer and the priority for games will be Provincial qualifiers and Provincials above the new Canada West schedule. The Board of Directors agreed that ASA could not properly schedule the quality of officials required for Canada West regular season.
- A355 Action: R. Adams to communicate to Canada West the referee scheduling decision.
 - 2. Further discussions should be scheduled with the senior groups affected by this scheduling decision to consider future rules to protect Alberta Soccer regular members.
- A356 Action: R. Adams to set-up meetings with EDSA, CUSA and CWSA on the University involvement rules.

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- e. Referee Development
 - iii. Rule 13.G Exemption Request
 - 1. NWPSA has requested that an exemption to Rule 13.G be granted as per the rule. They have a low number of officials for their local leagues and are asking to use officials who play in their leagues in games not involving their teams. The Board of Directors agreed to the exemption request on the condition that the leagues affected are given notice and that the NWPSA and their members periodically send an observer to monitor the games affected.
- M409 Motion: To grant the exemption to Rule 13.G for the NWPSA for the 2016 outdoor and 2016 2017 indoor season.

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 - B. Other Business
 - a. CSA Board of Directors
 - i. President
 - 1. Victor Montagliani
 - a. Board supports the nomination but will be acclaimed
 - ii. AB/NWT
 - 1. Ole Jacobsen
 - a. The Board will support Ole Jacobsen in the vote.
 - 2. Ryan Fequet
- M410 Motion: To support Ole Jacobsen for CSA Director-at-large at the May 2016 AMM. M/S/C
 - iii. Atlantic
 - 1. The Board of Directors was not comfortable with the information presented and will allow the delegation to make a decision based on in person interviews and/or other factors as necessary.
 - a. Chris James
 - b. Grant MacDonald
 - c. Gerald MacDonald
 - 6. Next Meeting

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a. Red Deer, Alberta

7. Adjournment

M411 Motion: To adjourn the BOD Meeting

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Adjournment 7:05 PM

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Catalogue of Motions

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