

## **STRATFORD YOUTH SOCCER MEETING**

March 21st, 2017 at 7.00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Stratford

The following members were in attendance:

Graham Bunting, Kevin Machado, Mike Vancea, Carla Vancea, Anita Dubé, Mike Binns, Todd Steel, Gabrielle Nemeth, John DeBoeck, Lucy Doney, Tony Hunter.

Regrets were received from: Frank Misuraca, Don Herlick.

*Staff: Maureen Mitchell, regrets were received from Lori Misuraca.*

### **The Meeting was called to order at 7.00 p.m. by President Graham Bunting**

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting – Tony Hunter**

Moved by Tony and seconded by Carla Vancea that the minutes of the previous meeting as distributed be approved. The motion carried.

There was one matters arising from the minutes: upon reflection the sponsorships changes proposed for the micro programme will not be initiated.

#### **President's/Vice-President's Report – Mike Vancea**

The President and Vice-President had no items to bring to the meeting.

#### **Administrators Report – Maureen Mitchell**

Current registration: Outdoor-374 players (250 of these are travel team players)

Tournaments: Classic Cup-5 teams; Festival Cup-2 teams; 6 on 6-none

Camps: July full day-6; July half day-8; August half day-1

Coaches Courses: Soccer for life - 13

Referee Courses: Entry Level-5; Small-sided-7

The majority of the Sponsors have paid, still waiting on a few that have given us a verbal confirmation that they are sponsoring.

The travel sponsors names & logos have been sent to Dunny's.

It took some time to get the Travel team lists form the coaches, but I have them now and have gone through each team to see who has registered and paid.

Some travel players have not paid the final balance on their account; they have all been contacted and informed that the balance is due.

I will be going through books this weekend to start that process.

I did a refresher webinar for PowerUp on team management. This is for the house league and tournament schedules.

SSA had a scheduling meeting for the new turf field; I have gone through the schedules that I have so far and filled up the turf field first, with using the lights. We are doing our best to give all teams a chance to play on this field. Once games have all been scheduled, we will work out the practice fields for teams.

I have been working with Jumpstart, the Salvation Army, House of Blessing and the City Housing Dept. for players needing assistance.

An ad for Camp has been placed in the LAC calendar for the month of April.

SWDSL is asking if we are interested in hosting the BU14 preliminary cup round. We will discuss this at the meeting.

Moved by Mike Vancea and seconded by Tony Hunter to decline the offer of SWDSL to host the boys U14 cup on 9/10 September. The Motion Carried.

Suggested that because the City do not cut the grass at FAG we not remit the extra \$10.00 maintenance to them.

There was much discussion regarding field scheduling, field sizes and goal sizes

#### **Administrator's Report – Lori Misuraca**

Lots of Phone calls and emails about registration information, playing nights and times, tournament questions, people wanting tax receipts for income tax, needing help to register or fix their power up accounts, and financial assistance inquiries

-secured 50 group tickets for the Canada womens team vs Costa Rica game on June 11th

-secured a cherry Line coach bus for the game

-there is still a low interest and registration for the upcoming referee course

-reminder that someone will have to get the keys from St.Mikes high school next week

-the referee training is on Friday March 24 from 6-9pm. someone is needed to open and close

-reminder of the Soccer For Life Coaches training coming up on April 1 & 2

-upcoming Minor Sports Council Soccer Registration on Wednesday march 22nd at the Rotary Complex - Tim Taylor Room

-boosts were made on face book for House League Registration.

I unfortunately will not be at the meeting as I am still recovering from surgery. Reminder to please let me know ASAP about tickets for the Soccer Game at BMO !!!!!

#### **Treasurer's Report – Kevin Machado**

Moved by Kevin and seconded by Tony that the Treasurer's report be adopted as distributed. The motion carried. Kevin noted that some of the registration \$\$ looked out of balance; this was due to the adoption of the power-up programme and will eventually sort itself out as the year progresses.

#### **Travel Report – Don Herlick/Lynda Sauvé**

Don sent his regrets and had nothing new to report to the meeting.

#### **House League Report – Gabrielle Nemeth**

Todd is getting prices for medical kits. Gabrielle suggested that for coaches using Douro Street Fields (FAG and Cooper) that kits should kept in the respective sheds rather than giving one to individual coaches.

Discussion on Shed at FAG: Graham Bunting will contact Northwestern and see if they will build a shed to replace the one at FAG.

Proposed that an additional U8 field be built on FAG property.

Graham and Mike will be talking to Simplistic Lines regarding additional goal frames and nets.

Coaches are still required; it may be necessary to skip official coaching clinics in order to achieve this.

There is a Learn-to Train clinic in Guelph on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Carla Vancea provided the following information.

Balls are in. Uniforms are ordered and will be in long before the season starts. I will provide Brian with the team set from last year that didn't get a logo screened on it for use this season. Maureen will provide sponsor names and logos to Brian. Brian will provide Maureen with colours of shirts

Goalie shirts to be ordered. Goalie gloves to be ordered (1 per team)

Travel Teams: Balls are in. Kits are in.

One jersey is at a new Crestor so we can see how it turns out with adding a backing.

Brian has offered to put names on the back of all jerseys before handing them to coaches at a cost of \$6/shirt ... to be paid by each team. Don/Lynda will ask coaches to send Brian the correct spelling of

their players' names and remind them the cost is assigned to the team.

Brian will also have his staff package the kits in a bag with player's name on it. This will avoid any mistakes when handing them out. Their bag will include their jersey, shorts, socks and a ball. \$15-20/per team - also the responsibility of the team.

#### **SSA up-date – Graham Bunting**

SSA have decided to hire Kelly Electric to install the lighting at the Turf field and at field #1

The Lions Club is installing a Friendship Arch at the Dunn Road parking lot; SSA must supply a 4x7 pad for it to sit on.

#### **Referee report – Holly Deighton**

There is nothing new to report at this time

#### **Minor Sports Council – Lucy Doney**

Nothing to report for minor sports council as no meeting was held in February. Next meeting is March 20th and tickets to the banquet on April 22nd will be handed out.

Moved and Seconded by Mike Vancea and Mike Binns that we drop the insurance we have through the Minor Sports council. The Motion Carried

#### **New Business**

Moved by Tony and seconded by Mike Vancea that SYS affiliate with Stratford Youth Soccer. The Motion Carried. The purpose of the affiliation is to allow the movement of players from youth teams to adult teams.

Mike Binns presented several choices of medals. He is looking at prices for \$3000 medals. Medals may or may not have interchangeable ribbons for various years. He was given prices for one medal that sold for \$4.00 made in Canada or \$2.85 if sourced from China. Local delivery time is considerably shorter. Mike is in the process of contacting several other companies for comparison pricing. The emphasis will be, if it is possible and reasonable, to use local suppliers.

By general agreement it was decided that SYS would not participate in the Kinsmen Club's sesquicentennial calendar promotion. It was felt that the saturation of the availability of the calendar was such that it would not be a profitable undertaking.

Tom Charette will be asked what training or other equipment items he needs for House League.

#### **Adjournment**

Moved by Mike Binns and seconded by Todd that the meeting adjourn at 8.30 p.m. The motion carried.

#### **Next Meeting is April 11th, 2017**

#### **Important dates:**

<b>June 3 and 4</b>	<b>Stratford Classic Competitive Tournament boys and girls U13-U18</b>
<b>June 17 and 18</b>	<b>6 v 6 Tournament boys and girls U13-U18</b>
<b>August 19</b>	<b>Mini Festival Cup boys U9-U12</b>
<b>August 20</b>	<b>Mini Festival Cup girls U9-U12</b>