

Blue Ridge Classic League Board Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2006
(Approved)

Attendees:

Board Members: Paul Radike (President), Linda Kemppainen (Registrar), David James (Administrator), Joan Schumann (Treasurer), Lee Boehling (Conduct Committee Chairmen), Joel Coman (VP of Operations), Gary Grant (Referee Liaison)

Club Reps: Steve Gordon, Pat Reilly, Mark Dillon, Phillip Raintree, Lisa Walker, Suzy Sauerwald, David Burch, Debbie Smith, Harry Lance, Steve Karras, Lorna Poole, Jay Johnson, Joe Gallo, Joe Milam, Todd Murrill

Call to Order: 6:35 p.m.

Introduction & Presentation of the Salem Sabres request for membership

After presentation, discussion and comments, a ballot was distributed to approve the Salem Club for membership into the BRCL. After the ballots were counted, Salem was approved and welcomed into the League.

Slate of Officers for the 2006-2007 Season

Ballots were distributed and the floor was opened for nominations. Noting no additional nominations from the floor the membership voted for the following candidates:

Joel Coman – President
Dale Russell – VP of Administration
Sandy Patterson – VP of Operations
Suzy Sauerwald – Secretary
Joan Schumann – Treasurer
Lee Boehling – Conduct Committee

Office and Committee Reports:

Vice President – Administration/ Bill Carstensen

- Unable to attend

Treasurer – Joan Schumann

- Account Balances
 - Player Registrations - \$1456.00
 - Operating Account - \$24,164.13
 - Registrar's Fund - \$1054.00
 - Total \$ 26,674.13

Budget – Paul distributed the budget (on file) and presented the budget. A motion was made to approve the budget as presented, motion was seconded and approved.

Joel Coman – VP of Operations – Joel encouraged clubs to fill out the registration forms as thoroughly as possible to help assist the competition committee in placing teams in the correct divisions.

Meeting Minutes – A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the March & May minutes as posted on the web-site. Paul thanked Joan Schumann for filling in for Peggy at some of the meetings.

Linda Kemppainen – Registrar – Linda presented Paul Radike with a plaque noting his service & devotion to the League. She presented Peggy Radike a gift certificate to The Library and thanked her for allowing Paul to serve as President.

Paul thanked everyone and recognized David James for all his fine work to keep the League on track. Paul presented Linda Kemppainen with the BRCL Platinum Volunteer Award - a plaque to honor all of Linda's accomplishments and tremendous support of the League

Linda reported that VYSA was going to vote at their June meeting that each League would have a representative on the VYSA Board rather than by region. Linda suggested that the BRCL choose John Singleton to be the BRCL representative. A motion was made, seconded and approved.

Linda reported that we have a total of 2,213 players. Linda announced some new registrar assignments for the upcoming fall season. They are as follows:

- Wythe/Radford – Lee Cooper
- BUYS – Dennis Pelletier
- Franklin Co. – Lorna Poole
- Salem – Lorna Poole

Linda mentioned that clubs are not to use the old player passes. Linda will distribute the new cards to each of the area registrars. Linda reported that the Kids Safe/Risk Management online registration was on line – all club level adults must register (club officers, coaches, managers, etc) All clubs must choose a Kids Safe Risk Management Coordinator – all clubs must send David James the Kids Safe Coordinator's contact info. Linda asked that once background checks are run, any red flag issues be sent to the state. All information that is captured through Kids Safe must be kept confidential. Coordinator must check Kids Safe every 30 days.

Clubs must choose a Club Registration Coordinator. By July 1 – name and contact info to be sent to Linda and your assigned registrar. Check timelines to make sure you are meeting deadlines for all paperwork. If you miss the deadlines, teams will be fined. Anyone that is planning on going to an early tournament or plan to play State Cup need to have paperwork to Registrar by August 1.

Linda reminded the club reps that it is their responsibility to get the League information back to their respective clubs. Linda reminded the clubs that they must register their clubs before any teams can be registered. Registration is on the VYSA web-site.

David James – Administrator

Spring review – David felt the spring season went well and that teams did a good job in re-scheduling rained out games. David explained how he keeps track of VYSA fees. Under Youth Leagues, clubs can see how many registered players they have.

David is hoping to keep track of red/yellow card violations this year on Demosphere site. David handed out division winner patches for the spring season.

Gary Grant – Paul announced that the BRCL Board would like to expand Gary's voice in the League. The web-site will have a separate button for folks to contact Gary. Gary gave out some handouts and announced that August 5th & 6th will be a Grade * Referee course at Roanoke College.

Rules & Procedures – A motion was made, seconded and approved to approve sections 1-5 in the manual.

Financial Guidelines – Paul distributed the financial guidelines and a motion was made, seconded and approved to adopt the financial guidelines as presented.

Gag Rule – will be revisited in September. Paul reminded clubs that clubs must monitor behavior of teams on the field. Clubs need to take more ownership with behavioral issues.

Meeting was adjourned.