

May 5, 2010 - Approved

Call to Order: 6:33 p.m.

Roll Call.

Members: Steve Gordon – Amherst; Scott Bennett – Danville; Michael Wilkerson, PASA; George Self – Piedmont; Gene Harris – Radford; Josh Jones – Salem; Val Karras – VAFC; Mark Boenke – Wythe.

President – Otis Chambers

V.P. of Operations – Sandy Paterson

V.P. of Administration – Tom Brown.

Secretary – Suzy Sauerwald

Administrator – David James

Registrar – Linda Kempainen

Chair of Conduct and Sportsmanship – Rick Harnsberger – not present.

Treasurer – Nicole Drew

Reading/Discussion/Approval of Minutes from last meeting. Minutes prepared by Nicki Drew regarding the last meeting. They will be reviewed at our next meeting. Motion to review at our next meeting. Approve, 2nd – all in favor – approved.

Introduction of Guests:

Smith Mountain Lake Soccer Club – Scott Dawson, Bruce Harrison, Kim Chitwood.

Officer and Committee Reports: BRCL Representative to VYSA - John Singleton.

VP of Operations – Sandy Paterson. Teams are doing well. Divisions seem to be fairly even. Our girl's team that wanted to play in the boys division is doing well.

VP of Administration – Tom Brown – nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report – Nicki Drew – General Fund: \$23,744.91. Registrar's Account: \$2,041.00. Player Registrations Account (VYSA): \$1,896.52.

Registrar's Report – Linda Kempainen. System will be up in June. Kidsafe – nothing can be done until the adults are registered. Club coordinators are the ones that carry their rosters to their assigned registrars. Name, address and email address provided. Proof of birth must be sent when the rosters are approved. Registrars all have their supplies.

Members should contact your assigned registrar to get player passes.

This spring we have assigned league registrars that are retiring. Leigh Cooper from New River who volunteered for 6 years. Debbie Smith from Franklin County, VAFC, and served on the board for 6 years, served as registrar for 3 years. Bobbie Simmonson, Augusta and Fort Defiance and served on BRCL for 4 years. Linda Kempainen will also be retiring from BRCL in June. She will remain with the State as well as an assistant for Amherst and PASA. She has been with BRCL for 26 years and served as registrar for 16

years. She will step aside as the league registrar. She will train and assist as needed. All registrars are ready to go for this fall.

Secretary's Report – Suzy Sauerwald – Nothing.

Administrator's Report – David James. Spring season going well. U11 boys division will be doing a playoff. People are slaking on phone in scoring. This needs to be done. The phone in is so easy. It needs to be done.

President's Report – Otis Chambers. Everything is running smoothly.

Special Committee Reports

Director of Coaching. DOC's meeting June 2 at 7:30 at the VAFC office.

Freedom is merging with VAFC. The teams will still be in the area. It is a positive change. They needed to move forward with a larger club. All the smaller clubs should understand. Volunteers are low, one person struggling to make it work. Needed a club with a director that could help them out.

Guest Report: None.

Unfinished Business (Carried over from Previous meeting(s)).

Question about an "elite" team formed for the BRCL. This team was not formed.

New business:

a. Smith Mountain Lake Soccer Club application to BRCL – Scott Dawson.

He currently has a wealth of talent, great group of parents. Volunteers. Been involved in travel before and wants to join BRCL. We have minimum of 2 teams, maybe 3. 1 field is secured. Westlake Baptist on 616. Referee assignor is required. VAFC has offered to help out with this. They need to secure 3 referees. Access to a 2nd field? They are currently searching for this field. They did turn in all of their documents, bylaws are submitted. Everything is in order. He has a check ready for payment upon voting. Smith Mountain Lake Soccer Club guests are asked to step out.

Discussion: Is it possible to do an email vote and let the members go back to their boards? It has to be a ballot vote. Vote taken. Unanimously approved.

b. Nomination Committee for BRCL executive board positions.

All current board members have said they would return. George Self will chair the nomination, Steve Gordon will assist. Michael Wilkerson will also assist.

c. Fall 2010 Timeline – 8 week season with 9th and 10th week for rainout make-ups. First weekend of BRCL play is 09/10. Columbus Day weekend – no BRCL matches. 8 week season would end 11/06. Team sign ups the last 3 weeks of July. Competition Committee meets 08/07.

d. VYSA fee payments received? David will notify the club that is tardy.

e. VAFC – Brought up concern about recruitment within the playing season. Should any guidelines be set for recruitment? Recruitment is okay during a normal try out period. What is a “normal” try out period? Some teams have tryouts during the season; some have tryouts after the season. Options – form a policy guideline. It is an ethical decision. Another BRCL club should not recruit another BRCL team member.

Proposals for Change of Bylaws, Rules & Procedures.

Match reschedules – Does BRCL want to allow reschedules when two teams agree to reschedule? The object is to let the kids play soccer. But, we don’t want to abuse it. Maybe change the policy to make the executive board in charge of it.

Review BRCL Section 11 Law 4 requirement of players who wear glasses to wear safety straps. Are safety straps necessary? BRCL has a rule that states that if a player wears glasses a safety strap is required. This is not in the by-laws. It is in the procedures. Proposal is to follow the rules for FIFA regarding player equipment. Motion. 2nd. All in favor – moved.

Miscellaneous announcements

2010 Radford Shootout – June 5 – 6.

2010 Piedmont Shootout – November 13 – 14.

Next BRCL meeting Wednesday, June 16, Roanoke County Library on Electric Road/Route 419.

Wythe United wants to host an E Course in the Fall.

VAFC will host a 3x3 tourney boys on July 24, girls on the 25.

Next meeting: June 16, 2010.

Adjourned: 8:22 p.m.