

KAMLOOPS YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday, September 27, 2017
Board Room at the KYSA Office,
1550 Island Parkway, McArthur Island,
Kamloops, BC

Present:

President: Candace Dodson-Willis
Directors: Graham Cope
Tony Cuzzetto
Colin Guise
Executive Director: Keith Liddiard
Technical Director: Ciaran McMahon
Vice-President: Rod Gurnsey
Director: Brock Freathy

Regrets:

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

2. *(Moved: Cope/Seconded: Cuzzetto)*

That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

3. *(Moved: Cuzzetto/Seconded: Guise)*

That minutes of the meeting held August 21, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

4. BUSINESS ARISING:

None.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

6. OFFICERS' REPORTS:

President - Candace Dodson-Willis:

Candace said how pleased she was that the Volunteer Appreciation and Awards Dinner went so well. "A great first event," she said.

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President - Candace Dodson-Willis (Continued):

Candace thanked everyone involved for their contribution. Everyone agreed the food at St. Ann's was outstanding, as was the service. Candace also said a lot of people commented on the "team effort" and the involvement of all the directors in the staging of the event. The next step will be for the organizing committee to review the first event and to see where improvements can be made for the second. In that vein, she suggested some discussion should take place on perhaps finding a more suitable time-frame for the function, noting that this year's date may be the reason why more members did not attend—there is so much going on at that time of year for families. It was agreed to use the proceeds from the event to increase the two KYSA scholarship awards from \$500 to \$750 next year and put the remaining portion of the surplus toward the Adaptive Program in 2018, as was promised in the pre-event advertising.

Keith, Ciaran and Candace will be meeting with Brett Adams, the new Associate Head Coach of the Vancouver Whitecaps Academy Centres and head coach John Antulov tomorrow to talk about the KYSA's ongoing partnership with the club. Ciaran said he felt that the arrangement with the 'Caps is very much one-sided and he would like to see the KYSA benefit more from the partnership. Candace suggested this is a great opportunity for KYSA to address that imbalance and discuss ways and means to improve the relationship.

It was agreed to use a portion of a \$500 member grant from BC Soccer towards reimbursing several coaches who attended the "Supporting Individuals with Autism in Sports and Recreation" workshop in Kamloops, September 23rd (\$40 per person).

Candace also spoke of her joy in seeing a greater KYSA presence on Facebook. She noted viewership continues to rise and KYSA is receiving a great response from the membership to what is being posted. Also, inroads are being made toward an overhaul of the KYSA's web site. Local web guru Dave Harestad is currently working on this initiative.

Candace also noted she spoke recently with KYSA coach Gord Cumming. He advised the girls team he coached this past season has a fair surplus in its bank account. He advised that the team would like to donate approximately \$500 to the KYSA hardship fund or something similar that will help women/young girls financially during their involvement in organized soccer.

The subject of progress on an indoor facility was broached and discussed. There was no news of any consequence on TRU's plan to build an indoor field on campus, though there has been talk about the turf field at the TCC being covered in the winter with a teflon bubble of some kind. It was assumed that the city is not engaged in any further consultation on their possible role in building such a facility and is awaiting to hear of developments at TRU. The question arose as to whether it was worth a call to Byron McCorkell, Director of the City Parks, Recreation and Culture Department to try and garner some up-to-date information. Graham said he would attempt to contact him in this regard.

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President - Candace Dodson-Willis (Continued):

Lastly, Candace reiterated the need to try and recruit an individual with an accounting background to serve on the board. With the probability of Graham “retiring” from the board in November, it would be very helpful to find someone with the qualifications/experience to serve as treasurer. She encouraged board members to spread the word! There are three director’s positions that become available at the AGM: Rod Gurnsey, Chris Wilkinson and Graham Cope. Rod Gurnsey has indicated he is prepared to run again; Chris Wilkinson’s move to the U.S. mid-term and his subsequent resignation means his place on the board needs to be filled.

Vice-President - Rod Gurnsey:

Absent.

Director /Treasurer - Graham Cope:

With one month remaining in fiscal 2017, net income is greatly overstated. A significant amount of revenue will be deferred until fiscal 2018 to accurately reflect funds received in 2017 for programs to be delivered in 2018. Similarly, there are a number of large outstanding payables combined with amortized expenses for supplies purchased in bulk. A modest surplus is projected for 2017 due in large part to the delay in hiring a senior staff coach. Upon completion of the final entries for fiscal 2017 (ending September 30, 2017) a package will be prepared for delivery to our accountant for annual review.

<i>Balance Sheet:</i>		<i>Income Statement:</i>	
Current Assets	\$689,165	Total Revenue	\$1,333,536
Current Liabilities	22,906	Total Expenses	1,154,419
Current Ratio	30.1	NET INCOME	\$179,117
Working Capital	666,249		
NET ASSETS	\$586,225		

Director - Tony Cuzzetto (Small Sided Leagues):

Absent.

Director - Graham Cope (Youth Boys & Girls):

The leagues are now inactive, nothing new to report.

Director - Colin Guise (Discipline):

Nothing to report.

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Director - Brock Freathy (Select Committee):

Absent.

Employment Committee - Candace Dodson-Willis:

The only item still on the Employment Committee's agenda is a proposal from Ciaran in regard to his annual remuneration, which is yet to be received.

7. STAFF REPORTS:

Technical Director - Ciaran McMahon:

Meetings/Functions/Events:

Aug 21 Board & Fall Planning Meeting
Aug 21-24 Hosted Douglas College Pre-Season Training and BBQ
Aug 25 KYSA BBQ at Candace's house
Sept 5 Midday TV Interview followed by NL Radio interview w/Larry Read
Sept 18 Conference Call w/BC Soccer Grassroots Committee
Sept 23/24 Fall Season Wrap-Up Jamboree
Sept 23 KYSA Banquet
Aug 30/Sept 13/Sept 27 - Staff Meetings

Program/Player/Coach Development

General:

- General planning for fall 2017 and 2018 season
- August 26/27 – Learning to Train Course (8 attendees)

KYSA House Program:

- Ongoing U5 staffing – wrapped up on Sept 23/24 with the Jamboree
- Sept 23/24 – On field with some teams during Jamboree. Interacting with, meeting with, and thanking coaches at the office as they returned equipment

KYSA Select Program:

- Sept 2/3/4 – 5 Teams attended SX International Cup (Surrey)
- 2004M – Ongoing player evaluations
- Ongoing team/coach support at training and exhibition games
- Semi-Regular player/parent meetings
- Home & Away series with Penticton planned by Mark Bell (180 players involved)

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Technical Director - Ciaran McMahon (Continued):

KYSA Centre of Excellence:

- Aug 21-25 - Hockey / Soccer, Goalkeeper & Striker Camp (80 attendees)
- Aug 26/27 - SYSA Tournament with U9 / 10 Prospects (MB)
- Ongoing U9 / 10 prospects programming

General Admin/Correspondence:

- Website / Social Media updates, phone calls, general email responses, in office visits from members / coaches.
- Hearing, responding, counselling, educating members with respect to complaints and disagreements about programs, refereeing, other players, coaches, parents and opponents.
- Short term program management (logistics include staffing, coaching, communication, schedules, facilities, education, conflicts and complaints).
- Long-term planning including: Developing the Blueprint for the Blaze (an enriched curriculum for U5 to U18) - ongoing

Ciaran also spoke of a developing relationship with Club Atletico Defensores Unido of Argentina which has been facilitated through KYSA staff coach Luis Adamo, who spends the winter back in his home country. He circulated copies of a letter he had written to the club President and Secretary on September 25, 2017 in which Ciaran introduced the two gentlemen to KYSA and Kamloops and spoke of further interaction with the Argentinian club in the future. He also spoke of Luis' value to KYSA and encouraged the club to make use of him.

Executive Director - Keith Liddiard:

Newsletter:

Distributed July / August edition – along with flyers advertising the TRU men's and women's soccer seasons, the Volunteer Appreciation Night and the Canada vs. USA women's exhibition match scheduled for November 09, 2017 in Vancouver.

Meetings/Functions/Events

July 24 Board Meeting.

Aug. 02 Staff Meeting

Aug. 15 Met w / Bryce Edgell, re: potential new telephone system for the KYSA office. A quote is forthcoming.

Aug. 19 Staff Meeting

Correspondence/Notices:

July 25 Letter to KSRA outlining board / staff's concerns with respect to the KYSA / KSRA relationship and observations from the 2017 Spring / Summer Soccer Season.

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Executive Director - Keith Liddiard (Continued):

News Releases/Media:

- July 21 "KYSA Soccer Schools Beginning Soon!"
- July 25 Appearance on Midday TV Program w/ Ciaran to promote Soccer Schools.
- Aug. 03 "KYSA Soccer Schools Begin Tuesday!"
- Aug. 17 "KYSA Introduces Volunteer Appreciation Dinner & Awards Night!"

Other Administration:

- TOFC has asked KYSA to book fields for a college ID camp to be held May 26/27, 2018 in Kamloops. Five fields have been reserved at McArthur Island for the event.
- Kamloops will be the site of two rounds of TOFC games on the weekends of September 16/17 and 23/24. Clive will act as liaison for the club with regard to day-of-game activities.
- Keith and his wife hosted the Stoke City coaches at their home for the nine days they were in Kamloops and drove the coaches to Richmond for their second week-long soccer school.
- Just over \$4,000 in extra revenue has been derived from summer bookings in the Dome as a result of the air quality issue. KYSA offered user groups a discounted rate given the circumstances that provoked their bookings. Having leased the Dome has also given us the flexibility to move the August Soccer Schools indoors when required.
- Keith said he followed up with Warner Rentals, Papa John's and Excel Industries regarding potential sponsorship. Discussions are ongoing.

Special Notes:

- KYSA once again loaned nets, corner flags and tents to the Kamloops Recreational Soccer League for their August long weekend tournament.
- Keith was on vacation July 27-August 2.

New Business:

None.

9. NEXT MEETING:

Monday, October 23, 2017 - KYSA Office – 6:00pm

10. ADJOURNMENT:

(Moved: Guise/Seconded: Cuzzetto)

That the meeting adjourn at 7:25pm.

Carried.