

Southeast Ontario Soccer Association

Board Meeting

October 16th, 2018

Present: Wayne Buller, Alex Fletcher, Rob Costa, Kevin Fox, Bob Machin, Mark Ethier

Staff Present: Joanie Sagriff, Marguerite Heer

Regrets: Mike Whiteman

1. Call to Order – 6:31pm
2. Welcome & Introductions – Wayne Buller
3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality
 - a. N/A
4. Adoption of Agenda as amended – Motion by Alex Fletcher, 2nd by Mark Ethier, Carried.
5. Adoption of September 10th, 2018 Board Minutes. Motion to accept by Alex Fletcher, 2nd by Kevin Fox, Carried.
6. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Profit & Loss up to September 2018 completed
 - b. Joanie met with bookkeeper all day yesterday.
 - a. New budget option in QuickBooks that allows user to see budget amount and current to date, etc.
 - b. Other cleanup and recommendations put forward
 - c. Still on pace to end with a surplus as planned for the contingency fund
 - d. Rest of books/etc to go to accountants later this week
7. Business Arising
 - a. Garrett's Law
 - a. Received comment back from several districts.
 - b. Number of MPPs are now receiving letters from clubs around the province.
 - b. ERSL
 - a. Update on letter, met with Gary Miller (Ontario Soccer TD), and several options were put on the table to be taken back to the clubs. Recommendation to be given to Ontario Soccer by end of week.
 - c. Match Official Proposal – Ontario Soccer agreement
 - a. Letter of Agreement to sign listing explicit commitments

- b. Motion to direct SOSA to enter into the agreement with Ontario Soccer with recommended amendments by Kevin Fox, 2nd by Alex Fletcher, Carried.
 - d. AGM
 - a. Room booked. Scheduled for 1-3pm.
- 8. New Business
 - a. Ontario Soccer Board Meeting/AGM Elections
 - a. Alex summarized results from final meeting as a member of the Ontario Soccer Board of Directors.
 - b. Briefly discussed how SOSA voted in Ontario Soccer elections and the results of said elections.
 - b. District Presidents' Forum
 - a. The first meeting of this new forum will take place in a couple of weeks' time via teleconference.
 - b. Alex to continue in this role at this time with new board to determine delegate after the 2018 AGM, as per By-Laws.
 - c. OCSL SGM
 - a. OCSL recently called an SGM to determine whether to give up the District Competitive league to the EODSA. This, by Ontario Soccer policy/procedure is a moot question that the league has no control over.
 - b. Alex contacted the presidents of the two respective clubs (North Leeds – 2 teams in district recreational; Kingston Clippers – 1 team in district competitive, 2 teams in regional) to advise them of this based on conversation with Ontario Soccer CEO, Johnny Mисley.
 - c. Confirmation that SOSA has no issue granting out playing permissions to clubs/teams in situations like this where the district cannot provide that level of competition internally.
 - d. Hamilton & District Visit
 - a. Joanie visited Hamilton & District offices.
 - b. Similar in size, similar SportsEngine issues.
 - c. Good and productive visit.
 - e. District Admin Workshop – Oct 19
 - a. Joanie to go to this.
 - b. Heavy focus on SportsEngine from a District perspective
 - c. Joanie looking to run a “training” session for clubs to show how it works from the Club perspective including some “power user” options. Looking to bring in Kingston Clippers Admin Christine Ferguson to do the presentation.
 - f. St Lawrence United name change
 - a. St Lawrence United looking to change name to Brockville Competitive Soccer
 - b. Joanie to advise that they submit this information with their membership renewal in the new year.
 - g. AGM Elections
 - a. Positions up for election:

1. President, Treasurer, East Director, West Director
 2. Secretary (can we find someone in advance to simply ratify?)
- b. Wayne, Mark, and Kevin standing. Mike stepping down at this time.
- c. Wayne and Alex to discussion short term succession planning post-AGM
- d. The new board will need to look at longer term succession planning. Look for the “next generation”
- e. The new board should consider looking at some strategic planning also. Johnny Misley has offered up workshops for districts interesting in pursuing this avenue.
- h. T4As
 - a. Bookkeeper recommended considering T4As for referees
 - b. Look into CRA requirements, but at this time, only one district in Ontario has taken this route, York Region.
 - c. Look at feasibility of making the summer student a proper casual employee during work period.
9. Motion to adjourn at 7:51pm by Bob Machin, 2nd by Mark Ethier, Carried.
Next meeting: November 25, 2018 (immediately before AGM)?