

Southeast Ontario Soccer Association

Board Meeting

March 4th, 2019

Present: Wayne Buller, Alex Fletcher, Kevin Fox, Jeff Blois, Rob Costa, Bob Machin, Mark Ethier, Chelsea Reynolds

Staff Present: Joanie Sagriff, Marguerite Heer

1. Call to Order – 6:35pm
2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality
 - a. N/A
3. Adoption of Agenda – motion to accept made by Kevin Fox, 2nd by Alex Fletcher. Approved.
4. Adoption of Feb 11th, 2018 Board Minutes. Amendments made by Alex. Motion to accept amended minutes made by by Alex Fletcher, 2nd by Bob Machin. Carried.
5. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Profit & Loss - currently have outstanding receivables of approx. \$88,000.
 - b. Invoicing – indoor registration completed. Referees mostly invoiced, paid up until Feb 10th. By April 10th, will send 80% invoices to Clubs.
 - c. Meeting with Accountant – still needs to be set
 - d. OSCAR – payments (SAAS fee). There is some concern about fees, but Alex and Wayne have interpreted it differently. \$3.10 fee/per player only.
6. Business Arising
 - a. Ontario Soccer agreement – Match official Proposal – Alex has sent a draft to Joanie, will go to Ont Soc this week.
 - b. District President's Forum – some of the Club Presidents met in person, some phoned in. Previous letter was read to Ont Soc Board meeting.
Motion made by Alex that SOSA agrees with what the District President's Forum has proposed and have our Clubs hold the \$3.10 SAAS fee until the Sports Engine issue is resolved. 2nd by Bob.
Discussion about options, what can Clubs and Districts do? There is a strong feeling against the SAAS fee among District Presidents.
Will Ont Soc try to collect from Districts? Go directly to Clubs?
The idea is to “withhold” payment because what is being provided is not what was promised to Clubs. Many Clubs have set fees, started collecting registrations, and cannot cover unexpected costs.

Need to communicate to our Clubs to collectively hold on to SAAS fee. They need to know that a) SOSA is not collecting the fee now b) Clubs need to be aware that it may need to be paid at some point and c) Clubs should collect it and hold on to it.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Kevin that Joanie email to our Club Presidents to keep them informed of concerns and lets them know what SOSA is suggesting. 2nd by Bob.

Motion carried.

- c. SOSA League meeting – March 7, 2019
- d. OSCAR training meeting – still trying to get this organized, Clubs know it is coming
- e. Ont Soc Summit – good turn out this year, Sports Engine was on site. 2020 Summit will be held in Hamilton

7. New Business

- a. Policy Review – Promotion Policy needs to be revisited, will discuss on Thursday at SOSA league meeting. Will put a policy in place for this year, and then review. Need to see what Durham League competition levels are like.
U13 Regional spot – questions about how to fill these spots when no scores and no standings at U12. Discussions still to be had.
U14-18 District – see above.
- b. Rules Regulations/Constitution review – Club rule Competitive vs Recreation numbers, to be allowed to field teams. U9-U12 Development players are registered as Rec players, so count as “grass roots soccer”. But may need to look at wording.
- c. Clippers U13 Boys – request to play Regional.
Joanie provided background on games last year. After the season, promotion was offered to Kingston United and Belleville Youth teams. Belleville discussed and decided they would rather play in Durham league. Clippers have requested the second spot.
Motion made by Wayne that we do not change the decision of the Executive Director on promotion from teams from 2018 to 2019. 2nd by Rob. Bob abstained from voting.
Motion carried.
- d. SOSA Tournaments and Festivals – everything up and going including Quinte Old Boys. Belleville running festivals, the Cameron Memorial, KU and Clippers are running tournaments and festivals.

8. Referee Report – Marguerite and Alex provided an update. Good attendance for adult referees at information sessions.

Would like to have a SOSA Referee Summit in April. Show off the Prospects program. Show the mini and youth referees how it works. Would have lectures, seminars, on field sessions. Show how to use Ref Centre, perhaps include parents in this.

Need a plan and agenda, get to Joanie and hope to run before the end of April

9. Motion to adjourn at 7:42pm by Mark Ethier, 2nd by Bob. Carried.
Next meeting: April 8th, 2019, 6:30pm.