

**Minutes of MJSA
Board of Directors' Mtg.
7:00 pm, Mon. April 28, 2008
Vanier Collegiate**

Meeting called to order @ 7:00 pm by W. Hasmatali

Present: Willard Hasmatali, Raman Mall, Al Bromley, Dave Wattam, John Eberl, Jason Jones, Sandra Flegel and Blair Kardash

Agenda:

Additions:

- Master's Tournament - August 2008
- Age groupings - Players "moving up"
- Uniforms & Numbering
- *D. Wattam - motion to accept agenda with additions. Seconded by A. Bromley*

Minutes from Previous Meeting:

Business arising from minutes:

Wendy Ross:

- Wendy Ross, who was present at the last meeting, has expressed an interest in a paid staff position dealing with fundraising. The board feels that at the present time this is not feasible.
- D. Wattam will talk to W. Ross about being on the board or as a member of a committee. eg. finance committee.

Child Protection Policy:

- A number of calls have come into MJSA's office asking if coaches have a criminal check done. At present, the competitive coaches do have a check done, but city league coaches do not.
- J. Jones will talk to R.C.M.P and City Police to find out potential cost, etc. about getting criminal checks for our city league coaches.
- *A. Bromley - motion to accept minutes from Previous Meeting. Seconded by S. Flegel Carried*

E.D Report and Emerging issues:

Affordability:

- Office reports summer numbers are 1025 and climbing
- J. Jones spoke on possible discount/reward for city league coaches. Possibility to take effect for the winter season.
- MJSA membership noticed cost increase, but not much complaining.

Rewarding Experience:

- There will not be a tier system (Div 1 or 2) for outdoor City league soccer this year. From a league stand point this should be very effective.
- U-14 and up Competitive teams will not be playing in City league.
 - :U-14 Mixed team will be training 3 times a week as well as playing in the Regina league
 - :U-16 Boys will be playing in the Adult league as well as playing in Regina
 - :U-16/18 Girls will be playing in the Premier league
- U-10 and U-12 Competitive teams will be mixed in with the City league teams. They will also be playing in the Regina league, with the exception of the U-10 Girls, which will do tournaments instead.

Reserve Fund:

- Part of the \$5.00 registration increase goes towards player camps. Over 300 players have registered.

Multiplex:

- J. Jones took Prince Albert's Multiplex plan to City Council. J. Jones highlighted parts of plan that could work towards achieving our own Multiplex. Council received and filed information.
- City Council has asked for a support of 1million dollars from MJSA.

Growing the Organization:

- At present time there is a higher interest in Competitive soccer.
- J. Jones did a school camp at King George School, thanks partly to their Assistant Principle, Sandy Hutchinson.
- Eyebrow school has asked J. Jones to come and do a school camp for them. Exact time has not yet been set.
- M.J.S.A charges \$200.00 per day for school camps.
- At the past SSA's AGM, Melfort Soccer Assoc. asked for help from J. Jones and MJSA in better building their own association. Board feels this would be a positive "Good Will Gesture". Any members from the soccer community who are willing to lend their expertise are to let J. Jones know.

Update from School board re: rental:

- The Prairie South School board has asked for more information from us. J. Jones will send letter.
- MJSA board has decided to hold off paying indoor gym rental to the school board until we get an audience with them.

Fundraising:

- J. Eberl will create a fundraising strategy. He will send it out to the rest of the board to look it over.

MJSA hosting the SSA AGM:

- S. Flegel read (attached) letter from Boyd Clark (SSA's Executive Director) outlining MJSA's responsibilities.
- S. Flegel has volunteered to be contact person with SSA on this matter

Financial report:

- Read by J. Eberl and J. Jones
- Brought to boards attention:
 - : possibility of not having U-10 training program
 - : too soon to speak on outdoor season as of yet
- *J. Eberl - motion to accept financial report as presented, seconded by D. Wattam. Carried*

Board Governance Development:

- Group leaders spoke on behalf of each group. Most to all portions are completed.
- B. Kardash has accepted leading a group to assemble manual. B. Kardash will select 2-3 board members and over the summer they will complete the Board Governance Manual. Once finished it will be brought back to the board for approval.

Additions to Agenda:***Positive Coaching:***

- A. Bromley read a newspaper article about a Positive Coaching program. The program looks promising.
- J. Jones will look into program to see if it will work for us.

Tournaments:

- C.S.A has asked MJSA to host the Western Masters Clinic in October 2008.
- Tournament Director, B. Kardash, had looked into the possibility of us hosting and relayed all information back to the board. Board has decided that at this time we are unable to host.

Age Grouping:

- E.D/T.D, J. Jones looked for guidance concerning child who wishes to move up an age group. Board gave opinions/suggestions to J. Jones. Final decision is up to J. Jones. The board will support his decision one hundred percent.

Uniforms:

- D. Wattam brought to the board's attention some Competitive parents concerns about MJSA's Uniform procedure.
- S. Flegel read Equipment Director, P. Flegel's, (attached) letter regarding past uniform procedure.
- J. Jones had spoken earlier to P. Flegel about situation and brought forth the following change to the uniform procedure:
 - past procedure - One white jersey, One white pair of shorts, One pair of white socks and One blue jersey, One blue pair of shorts, One pair of blue socks.
 - procedure change - One white jersey, One blue jersey, One pair of blue shorts and One pair of blue socks.
- The board has agreed upon said change.
- There is a small problem with competitive players each year having the same uniform number as an existing player. Possible solution for future: players born in even years have even numbers, players born in odd years have odd numbers.
- It has been a hassle shopping locally for uniforms, equipment, etc.. J. Jones and P. Flegel will continue to try to buy locally, however will not eliminate the possibility of buying elsewhere.

Corporate Credit Card:

- Office Administrator, Marion Church, has in the past, used her personal credit card to pay for items on behalf of MJSA.
- J. Jones and J. Eberl will look into getting a credit card for MJSA's purchasing needs.

Review Actions:

- As meeting went long, board decided to eliminate this portion of the agenda at this meeting.
- *W. Hasmatiali - motion to adjourn at 9:25 pm, seconded by D. Wattam. Carried*