

Southern West Virginia Adult Soccer Association

Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2008

Opening: The regular meeting of the Southern West Virginia Adult Soccer Association was called to order at 18:36hrs on November 10th, 2008 at South Charleston Community Center by Patrick Park.

Present: Patrick Park, Molly Walroth, Shelly Young, Jodi Adams, Jimmy Cunningham, Dana Sutton, Hank Dyer, Reuben Ellis, Tim Mayo, Les Bagyi, Dan Rollins, Miranda Nabers, Susie Garrison, Steve Sisson, Aaron Wood, Ken Sheriff, Rick Evans (total 17)

A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was handed out by Pat Park. There was no discussion of approving the agenda at this time.

B. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were not available to approve. Pat Park said he would send the minutes to Molly Walroth at later date.

C. Open Issues

1. Secretary Report – Kelly Bork – not present
2. Schedule Report – Steve Sisson – No new updates.
3. Field/Equipment Report – Dan Rollins – Discussed the two successful work parties this past season. Glass in dirt...Discussed need to inquire about possible spring tournaments. Is it possible to allocate money to buy fertilizer? Rollins explained we have a 42% split with Cross Lanes in terms of field maintenance, which includes grass seed and fertilizer, therefore if we purchase fertilizer we could send them a receipt at end of season. Discussed possibly aerated the field. Ellis said best time to seed and fertilizer is when ground is frozen.
4. Registrar Report – Vacant – Pat Park announced he asked Jimmy for his resignation because things just weren't getting done, including website. Discussed problems and who helped.
5. Referee Report – Mitch Balaban – not present – Pat Park read aloud a letter from Mitch which stated Mitch no longer felt comfortable assigning refs for the league and explained why (copy of letter attached).
6. Vice-President Report – Hank Dyer – Discussed discipline of the league. 42 yellow cards and 5 red cards. There are 5 suspensions which will carry over until the spring season (NEED TO GET LIST OF NAMES FROM HANK). Discuss referee Samsel versus David.

7. Commissioner's Report – Aaron Wood – He is going to state meeting and asked what we suggest he can ask from the state. Suggestions included: permanent bathrooms, game balls, storage building, corner flags, assistance with training of additional refs, recruitments of refs.

8. Team Captain Reports.

Shelly Young – problems with lack of player pass cards, registrar or lack of, need for evaluation for refs.

Jimmy Cunningham - problems with registration and player pass cards. Lots of complaints about getting schedules updated sooner.

Rueben Ellis – problems with scheduling, it would be easier if there were a template from the beginning of the season (Steve interjected: Teams aren't always registered on time. Les responded "Why can't we start registration sooner?" Rueben commented "it's usually the same teams..." Les asked "Is our league growing?" Someone replied "no, it is shrinking by 30% since spring. IN 2008 there were 70 new players from spring to fall. We have been shrinking for four years. C league is fine but B and A are struggling. Discussed combing A and B. Resounding NO.

Steve Sisson – nothing

Tim Mayo – nothing

Les Bagyi – nothing

Dan Rollins – Pointed out that when the age requirements changed it devastated his team. "We are no longer competitive so people don't want to show up anymore. A lot of us are involved with high school teams and it's harder to get teams. Bagyi: "Have we considered doing smaller sided games in the fall or can we implement a cap on number of players to teams?" Discussion ensued regarding new players, emails and recruiting

Ken Sheriff – "Season went well for us. Not too many complaints. Competitiveness of teams in C league is fair/good. One complaint is that when our balls go into the swamp area the refs need to call/add time to game. Weeds need cut so easier to find balls or have extra balls (Shelly and Molly make several inappropriate comments to everyone's chagrin).

Miranda Naber – nothing

Susie Garrison – The women's league caved and I don't know why. By end of season we all shoed up and split into two teams. Discussed some obstacles such as cross over players. Hank offered to "go down" and help out (hehehe) Ken Sheriff offered "radical" idea of D league. Hank asked discusses restructuring organization.

9) Division Reports

A Division – Shelly Young – discussed recruiting at University of Charleston, Marshall, WV State and Mexican restaurants, WV Tech. Maybe Aaron can help recruit at Quantum. Discussed

recruiting at local high schools and Aaron mentioned Job Corp and speaking to their athletic director.

B Division – Jimmy Cunningham – would like to get B league back where we need to be. Emailed out a list of available players to team captains.

C Division – Ken Sheriff- nothing else

Women's Division – Lisa Westfall resigned as coordinator.

10) Webmaster Report – Dana Sutton – website is working currently; discussed past problems.

11) President's Report – Patrick Park – resigned. Time for me to move on and I will no longer be associated with the adult league in any way. FINANCIAL STATEMENT: see attachment. Discussed 3 business CDs (2 at BB&T: 1st is approx. \$3,415.47, 2nd is approx. \$2,300. Other is at SunTrust for \$10,432.25). Rob Bauer initially owed \$8,900 and has paid \$3,000 so far and will make another payment before Christmas. He has been paying twice a year at large increments. HE signed a not of payments.

D. New Business

1) Dana Sutton hands out proposed leadership structure. “We have a divisional board which Pat put in place. We will have to re-write the by-laws. Would like to get more people involved and invested into our organization and this proposal will provide that opportunity. Rollins interjected, “I think we already passed this...”

2) Election of new positions:

Treasurer: Aaron Wood is already elected.

Note: We established a quorum is present

Nominations for Executive Board:

-Frank Jones nominated and someone seconded

-Ellis nominated Sutton, seconded by Walroth

-H. Dyer nominated Mayo, seconded by Sisson. Mayo declined

-Sutton nominated H. Dyer, Seconded by Young

-Sisson nominated Garrison, she declined.

-Garrison nominated Sisson, it was seconded.

-Wood nominated Evans, it was seconded.

-Nominations closed. All able voters wrote down three people to vote in.

(Sutton received 13 votes, Jones received 13 votes, H. Dyer received 9 votes, Evans received 5 votes, Sisson received 5 votes).

Sutton, H. Dyer and F. Jones are elected as new executive board. They will determine who will be in office for 3, 2 and 1 year(s).

Nomination of Secretary:

-Young nominated Walroth, someone seconded. **Majority voted Walroth in as secretary.**

Movement to pass use of MySam and it is accepted on a majority vote.

Nomination of Women's coordinator

- Naber is voted in by a majority as women's coordinator.

E. Agenda for Next Meeting: did not discuss.

Adjournment: Executive board will meet and plan next meeting.

Minutes submitted by:

Molly Walroth

Approved by:

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