

2010 BCCSL 1st Managers Meeting – January 30, 2010

Location – Cloverdale Baptist

Executive in Attendance:

- President – Zach Meisenheimer
- Registrar – Derek McGowan
- Statistician , Website & Public Relations - Stefan Eriksson
- Fields and Scheduling- Tom Kobelt
- Fields – Ralf Henry Nicolai
- Co-Treasurer - Russ Haertl
- Co-Treasurer (acting Secretary for meeting) John Asher

9:27 Meeting opens in prayer - Stefan Eriksson

Zach – address Managers

Roll Call

Zach shared with the managers what the league is about and the spirit of the league so that managers can share in this role.

Voting Matters

Nominations of open Executive positions for the 2010 Season.

Motion – John Asher change position from Secretary to co-Treasurer and cheque signatory

Seconded – Stefan

Managers – Unanimous (John Asher did not vote)

Motioned Carried

Motion – Craig Hansen nominated as Secretary

Seconded – John Asher

Managers – Unanimous

Motioned Carried

Motion – Ralph Henry Nicolai nominated as a Field Co-coordinator (Langley)

Seconded – Derek McGowan

Managers – Unanimous

Motioned Carried

Financial Update

Russ presented 2009 financial statements. Discussed highlights \$6K cash in bank of which half is team bonds. No proposed increase in league fees but if fewer teams do register then league fees would be readdressed and potential increased by the next managers meeting. Adequate warning will be given to managers in advance of the next meeting.

Russ also discussed insurance and mentioned that our league insurance only covers the league, not work loss, etc.

Question asked by a manager regarding the Performance Bond. Russ explained that from the bond the league would extract additional fees incurred by the teams such as roster additions, forfeits, failure to bring corner flags, etc.

League Alignment

Zach mentioned that divisional alignment would not be determined today due to teams possibly not being able to field a team and new team applications to consider. As a result the Executive could not present this to the managers at this time given the team membership in the league has not been fixed at this time.

One manager (Maple Ridge church) brought up issue of alignment in Div 3 and their interest in rather of playing with Langley teams as a result of the new bridge being built, thus decrease the distance and making Langley closer than other cities in the Lower Mainland.

Registration Address

Derek introduced the features verbally of the website and how player registration information will be added to the roster. Then that roster would be printed and signed by the pastor. This roster entered online would be used to generate the time sheets. At the date of the next managers meeting the rosters will be fixed, thus any players added after that meeting will not be eligible until after the team's 2nd regular season game of the season.

Witness and import players are available for download on the website. Stefan indicated the website will go live by mid-February.

Managers will be given a username and password which should be kept confidential.

Roster additions would still require pastor authorization with a signature and these should be pdf'd to Derek via his email.

It was reminded to the managers that rosters are capped at a total of 3 import and witness players combined.

League starts – April 5th.

Fields and Scheduling

Tom addressed the league regarding scheduling dates.

2 league blackout days, Good Friday and the Friday of the Victoria Day weekend.

Teams will be permitted 3 blackout date requests but they are not guaranteed. They should be designated in order of blackout priority. To be sent to executives@bccsl.org and these are due by March 1st.

Trophies

Stefan awarded trophies that were not claimed in the prior year.

Stats

Requested managers to send game reports and not fax to him and not have players to send them and that only one game report being sent.

Fields

Henry discussed that Langley had 35 games last year and will require 80 this year. Zach brought up other scheduling concerns. Gates Park will have going under construction in June and that fees are going up given we do not have enough league players who reside in Port Coquitlam.

Negotiations are underway in all cities in which the League has teams.

Miscellaneous Matters

Referees

Zach and Henry met with Dante who is in charge of the referees of our league. Zach shared some of the details from this meeting which will result in some changes for the upcoming season such as:

- More than one match ball is required at both games (check 2 or 3 balls prior to each game and even have the away team have a ball available).
- Have a ball pump at each game
- Pay the referee in cash prior to each game no coins (\$30 per team per match)
- Managers need to enforce league rule of taking player off for ten minutes after being cautioned with a yellow card.
- Do we practice what we preach after we pray before a game? A ref commented that it's all nice we pray but then we do not follow up on it during the game. As managers must understand their role and the primary goal of the league which is to be a witness of Christ.

Zach also discussed managers concerns with referees:

- Issues with certain referees were addressed

Roster checks will now be done by the referee prior to the commencement each game. Thus players will be required to present a driver's license, passport, government issued ID or a GO Card (photocopies are not accepted). If a player arrives after the commencement of the game they can only check in at half-time and are only eligible to play once the referee checks him/her in.

One of the managers asked when the referee will check rosters. Zach mentioned this is something to work out with the referees of roughly when the referees will do this check. Another question was asked if a team is short a player or more if a player arriving late will be allowed to enter a game after the game has started.

Motion – Zach presented a motion that Assistant Referees be required to referee all League Playoff Games thus bringing the total number of officials at each game to three at an additional cost of \$30 per team with the exception of the finals which are covered by the league. The purpose is to improve the quality of officiating and conduct of the games in our league.

Seconded – Stefan Erickson

Managers – 39 in favour, 1 abstention

Motion Carried

Motion – Zach presented a motion that Assistant Referees be required to referee all Premier Division Games for the duration of the 2010 Season thus bringing the total number of officials at each game to three at an additional cost of \$30 per team with the exception of the finals which are covered by the league. The purpose is to improve the quality of officiating and conduct of the games in our league. Premier Teams in attendance are CLA, Grace Point A, North Side A, Youth Church and Willingdon (note Premier Division is not set yet but these teams are most likely in Premier Division based on their placing in the prior season).

This issue was discussed in great detail with some managers voicing their concerns regarding how it will be implemented, costs and if its in line with the mission and goals of the league. As a result the Executive said discussions will continue on this issue and it will be discussed again on the next managers meeting.

Managers Correspondance

Zach asked managers for permission to forward promotional information from Soccer Express and the Vancouver Whitecaps to the managers@bccsl.org group. The managers expressed no concerns over this.

John closed the meeting in prayer.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting – March 27