



MID-ISLE SOCCER CLUB, LADYSMITH BC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Thursday, April 1, 2021 7pm via Zoom

ROLL:

President – Jeremy Kaye
Registrar – Jenn LeBlanc
Secretary – Jen Kebe
Treasurer – Krista Benjamin

Director at Large (Public Relations) - Tonya Soules
Director at Large (Adult Program) - Cheryl Merriman
Director at Large (Risk Management) – Kelly Rodgers
Director at Large (Fields) – Hiromi Tollefson

Regrets:

Vice President – Todd Vass
Director at Large (Communications) – A'liza Monette
Director at Large (Pony) –Chelsea Cooke (resigned)

Director at Large (Equipment) - Laurie Bastian
Director at Large – Mike Rankin
Tots Program Director – Danielle Winter

Minutes:

1. **Call to Order: 7:11pm**
2. **Approval of Minutes of February 26, 2021 Minutes (pages 2-3 of this document):** Cheryl made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Krista, passed unanimously.
3. **Call for Additions/Adopt the Agenda:** Jen K made a motion to adopt the agenda; seconded by Jenn L, passed unanimously. Agenda adopted.
4. **Old Business**
 - **New Registration System Required (Kelly, Jeremy)**
 - Jeremy reached out to Dave at Oceanside, but has not yet received a response
 - Kelly reached out to Lacrosse – they use Facebook/Team Snap
 - Shawn Fiddick said that having a regional system for registration would work best for smaller clubs. Register with the regional system for our each of the clubs.
 - Jeremy will see if they can organize that quickly, time is sensitive because reg should be now.
 - **Hiring of Executive Director (Jeremy)**
 - Something we really need
 - Cheryl will provide a contact
 - There is a Mid-Isle job description that was started but needs to be found and updated
 - Will contact Willow to discuss the role
 - Kelly has notes related to the job description – will find and distribute.
 - Strike a new committee: Kelly, Jenn L, Cheryl, Jen K, Hiromi (if needed)
 - **UISA League Proposal Update (Jeremy)**
 - Jeremy sent out update summary emails that provide information to provide to membership
 - Boundaries are laid out in the UISA bylaws
 - The boundary issue has been cleaned up a little bit – if your intent is to play competitive soccer, you have to communicate with your home club to see if they are having a program; if not, you can be released to play elsewhere.

- another meeting on Monday, April 5th
- Technical Director Position (Todd, Jeremy)
 - Bill has been acting in is role – many thanks to Bill for all his work. It would be nice to formalize the role and discuss compensation. Will discuss at a future meeting.
- High School Awards (Krista)
 - Discussed the issue with the Ladysmith Foundation; decisions must be made by **April 16th**
 - Krista moves to strike a committee for the scholarship awards (2 X \$500 bursaries): Jeremy, Hiromi and Jenn have volunteered to sit on it. Jen K seconds. Passed unanimously. Krista will chair the committee; will send out applications for review and then meet to vote.

5. New Business

- President’s update (Jeremy)
 - All teams have wrapped up and everyone is pretty pleased with the way things ended up running this year.
 - Thanks to everyone for all their work this season.
 - Refunds are currently being sent out, it is quite a process but will be completed soon.
 - Chelsea Cooke has resigned from her position as Pony Director. Anyone else wants to take over that position? We need to discuss recruiting new members for the executive.
- Spring Soccer Programming
 - 8 weeks of training; targeting Mid-Isle players for development.
 - Field time is very full – Friday evening or Saturday afternoon is available. Saturday may be a conflict with baseball, we will try to organize a Friday evening training program.
 - U11 and up for sure, perhaps younger groups available.
 - Will be organized through Merriman soccer.
- Competitive Soccer creation – addition/update to the Policy Manual related to how rep programming is/was run (Jeremy)
 - We need a clearly defined and developed strategy to run competitive soccer.
 - Our current best practices are not documented; that knowledge can easily be lost.
 - Jeremy has been having good discussions with a High-Performance Sport Scientist and Sport Manager from Nanaimo, Daniel De Wet. The hope is that a document will be created that will give a good framework for competitive soccer at Mid-Isle.
- Club Boundaries (Jeremy)
 - As discussed above.
- Ref Coordinator (Hiromi)
 - We need to recruit a ref coordinator; will be rolled into the Executive Director position
- Teams that want to train past March 31st (Hiromi)
 - Tuesday 8:15 – 9:45pm; Saturday 10am – 2pm
 - Must continue with covid protocols and contact tracing reports.
 - No new players from outside the cohort.
 - Encourage end of play by the end of April.
- Forest Field Renos (Tonya)
 - More money is being requested from the town.
 - Perimeter trail with exercise equipment is next and will be going ahead.

6. **Motion to adjourn at 8:33 pm (made by Jen K; seconded by Jenn L.) Date for next meeting: April 29th, 2021**