Kemptville District Soccer Club Annual General Meeting September 26, 2011 Minutes

In Attendance: Executive Members

Dave Avery - President

Bruce Carsjens – Director of Competitive Mark Leyden – Director of House League

Scott Lohnes - Treasurer

Kevin O'Shea – Director of Equipment

Matt Stevens - Director of Senior House League

Lou Judge - Registrar

Tina Buss – Secretary (arrived at 7:50pm)

Regrets:

Lisa Sherman

In Attendance: Non executive members

Rob Fnukal: Discipline Chair Chris Hansen: Head Referee Alan Archer: Head Coach

Darryl Lapenskie

Ken Judge

Mike Sutherland Chris Phillips

Sara Hunt

Steve Ronacher Robert King

Leanne deVille

Rob Cornel (Absent for voting)

Cam Duff

Lori Dickenson

Kelly Van Herpen

Trish Ford-Dunbar

Shawn Duncan

Gary Lawlove

7:06 pm – meeting called. Roll call taken.

Review of minutes from last year's AGM. Motion to accept minutes by Mark Leyden. Seconded by Darryl Lapenskie.

President, Dave Avery

Read the president's year in review report.

Mentioned that other director's reports were available on the KDSC web site.

Welcomed Alan Archer, club head coach, back for next two years.

Director of Equipment, Kevin O'Shea

Reviewed the director of equipment's year in review report.

Feedback from the membership on competitive team orders - teams would like better service from the supplier, Source for Sports. Teams would like more options on team equipment. Some teams found the Adidas line expensive.

Director of Senior House League, Matt Stevens

Reviewed the year in review report.

Senior house league entered in and won the North Dundas tournament in Chesterville.

We should look at a better balance in the teams next year.

Fields – Darryl Lapenskie

Mentioned that the washrooms will be done this year and ready for the next summer's soccer season. Comment from the membership – the U7 teams balls, when warming up, would often be kicked on to the competitive horizontal fields. Re-aligning of fields might resolve this issue.

Director of House League, Mark Leyden

Reviewed the year in review report.

Thanked all the volunteers.

Coaches manuals that Alan Archer put together were well appreciated.

Would like to stress the non-competitive nature of house league, especially at the U9 and U11 levels.

This would go a long way to helping the referees in a learning environment.

From the membership

It was asked that better communication from the club be used to get information out to the community. It was stressed that there have been a lack of available volunteers to help board members get everything done.

Alan mentioned that we will be looking at a communication strategy in the coming year.

Dave confirmed that the communication strategy will be in our long term (3-5 year) plan.

Registrar - Lou Judge

1,272 registered players with KDSC this year. 1450 including coaches and referees.

Comment from the membership that \$30 (33% of U5 registration cost) late fee is too high. Possibly we should look at different amounts at different age groups. Possibly set a percentage of registration cost instead of set amount.

Suggestion from the membership for a payment schedule on fees – maybe three dates to write cheques for

Comment from the membership that the late fee circumvents the allowable increase in fees.

Comment from the membership to educate the membership about their rights, that they do "own" the club and have a say.

Director of Competitive Soccer – Bruce Carsjens

Reviewed year in review report.

Break 8:25 to 8:30pm

Treasurer Report – Scott Lohnes

Approximately \$90,000 in the bank.

Still outstanding bills of \$45,000 for the 2011 year which will leave approximately \$45,000 with the club.

Scott said that any member is welcome to request a review of the club's financial standing and see the books at any time.

Club Head Coach - Alan Archer

Alan spoke about the Long Term Player Development (LTPD) program – what it will entail and that we still need to work out the finer details on how to implement this program.

Auditors Report – copies were made available to the membership.

Appointment of next auditor – treasurer recommended continuing with Walker and Associates. Motion to accept by Rob Fnukal. Seconded by Sara Hunt.

Discipline Report – Rob Fnukal

Summary of cards handed out for competitive and house leagues.

Unfinished Business – Dave Avery

We have a new website design that we are starting to use (www.kemptvillesoccer.com).

Two members of the of the board were recognized for a Provincial Volunteer Award for their dedication – Lou Judge for 25 years of service and Matt Stevens for 15 years of service with the KDSC.

Thankyou to Darryl and Lou for taking care of the fields again this year.

New tenders this year for Equipment and Photography.

Brought up that referees are having a very difficult time being chastised by parents and spectators and we are losing referees because of this.

Suggestion from the membership to get the teams at the "coming of age" to be a referee involved and aware of the opportunities (ages 12-13).

Change to Competitive Program

Out of 7 EODSA teams (that will not be part of the LTDP), only 1 of ours had a winning record. As a club, what is our goal – competitive versus house league.

A committee was formed by the club and a strategy was developed for our competitive program.

Doubling of the ages was discussed and recommended by the committee.

Membership feedback – concerns that some of the "cut" kids going back in the house league stream where competitiveness is not pushed and that these kids would be of a competitive nature.

Chris Hansen, head referee, moved to push the discussion to a special AGM – time constraints tonight that we still have other club business to get through. Motion seconded by member Gary Lawlove. Details of current committee proposal to be emailed to the members.

Roll Call done again before elections.

7 Positions Open:

Vice President – Mark Leyden by acclamation

Secretary – open

Registrar – Lou Judge by acclamation

Director of Senior House – open

Director of Mini House – open

Director of Competitive – open

Director at Large – Alison Davies nominated and accepted by her email to Dave Avery. By acclamation.

Date for next board meeting will be posted on the web site.

Trish Ford-Dunbar and Chris Philips said they would provide help in any way they could.

President, Dave Avery, thanked the leaving board members for their service.

10:28pm - motion to adjourn – Darryl Lapenskie. Seconded by Cam Duff.