

MDCVSA General Council Meeting Saturday January 11, 2014 Conference Call

1. Roll Call

Member Leagues:

Capital Coed Soccer League

 Central Virginia Soccer Association
 Portsmouth Soccer Club
 Southeast Virginia Women's Soccer Assoc
 Tidewater Women's Soccer League
 Washington Area Women's Soccer League

 Beth Marcum

 Jessie Kratz

 Washington Premier League
 Steve Long (Proxy)

Officers:

James Sadowski
 Marti Bevan
 Jessie Kratz
 Chris Tierney
 President
 Treasurer
 Recording Secretary

Delegates:

- Steve Long
- Jamie Williams

MDCVSA Administrative Staff:

Mary Beth Falk
 Diane Larkin
 State Administrator
 State & National Cups Administrator

2. Credential Report

There were 46 of 114 eligible votes in attendance. A quorum was achieved.

3. Agenda

Motion to accept the agenda was approved

4. Minutes

Motion to accept minutes from last MDCVSA General Council meeting was approved

5. Officers Report

a. <u>President's report</u>

Jim wanted to keep comments short and the importance of the budget.

- No major issues
- Discussed National Cup formats
- Setting up dates for National Cups



- Pushing online registration- New leagues mandatory
- Setting up a tiered registration fee structure

b. Vice President's Report

We have had very little adjudication hearings

c. Registrar's Report (Jim Sadowski)

- New online registration vendor
- Getting better feedback from the new product
- Almost flawless role out of product
- Total registration numbers are down from 2013, under 1000
- The picture process needs improvement, some pictures not working or the quality is low

d. Treasurer's Report

- Jessie is transitioning well into new position
- Currently working on the MDCVSA taxes
- We have two CD's and two checking accounts
- 2014 Budget coming out soon, she will provide that information
- Jim gets the bank statements
- Having struggles with money coming in due to late registrations

e. Secretary's Report

- Chris Tierney is new secretary
- Nothing to report

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6. State and National Cup Administrators Report (Diane Larkin)

- State Cup formats ran a little different- two day format
- New format seemed to work out and team responded positively
- Aegean Hawks FC won- Winner moves to national Cup in March
- Two day format cut down on costs
- Pushed back due to low number of teams
- Looking for host sites for future tournaments

Vets Cup

- July 8-13, 2014/2015 VA Beach
- Committee encouraged leagues to push tournament to their teams
- Looking for volunteers to help
- Holiday Inn Norfolk is Headquarter Hotel

7. State Administrators Report- MaryBeth Falk

- Requests that Non-online teams send in start dates
- Concerned that data gets reported in a timely fashion
- Early player data helps with tournament registration Neptune

8. Referee Matters (10:55 – 11:00) – SRA/SRC if in attendance



- Leagues can mandate a fitness requirement and assessment for any referee the officiates their matches
- State Referee Association Can mandate assessments for all grades
- Leagues are encouraged to move towards level 7 referees for adult games

9. Old Business

None

10. New Business

• Proposed Bylaw change

Reasons for the Proposed Changes:

The timely submission of registration data and payment is the most important obligation that a member has because it helps ensure that insurance coverage will be available to the player if an injury occurs. The fee structure should be more equitable to reward members who comply with registration and payment deadlines. Replacing the word "medical: with "participant accident" reflects the correct terminology for the type of insurance coverage that is provided to MDCVSA players.

- Biggest obligation is leagues registering players
- Discussion on changing the word "and" to "or"
- Motions to pass the change- passed
- Looking towards a tiered registration format
- Many expressed concerns with fee increases

11. Open Issues

- Player card discussion- Need them or not need them (Jessie)
- Use driver license for player cards
- Cost's associated to MDCVSA
- Key to making cards successful is finding a "Value Add" for them- sponsors/discounts (Jim)

12. For the Good of the Game

- Budget meeting March set for conference call
- March 22, 2014 Call
- Doddle poll will be sent out for dates and times

13. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45am

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Tierney
Recording Secretary