

CASL Board of Directors Meeting
October 15, 2017
Jimmy's Pub, East Lansing, MI

Board Members present: Scott Dane, Oscar Castaneda, Keith Menne, Dan Moreno, Lisa Kingsbury, Evan Winters. Club representatives: Brad Przystas / WFC, Kristie McArthur / Hillsdale SC, Amy Fast / Hillsdale SC, Geoff Heyd / Laingsburg, Amanda Nyboer / HDSO, Keith Bennett / Manchester, Chris Chittenden / Holt SC, Peter Lemeiux / Fowlerville

Meeting called to order at 7:01PM by President Castaneda

Motion to approve minutes for August 2017 CASL Board meeting by Mr. Moreno, second by Ms. Kingsbury. Motion passes with unanimous vote.

New Business

Status of Ovid Elsie Championship shirts from Spring 2017. President acknowledges lack of communication on this topic.

Some communities using (3) referees for U9-U10 games. There was a discussion of this topic. It was determined that there needs to be communication with GLASRA on this topic.

Executive Director looking into changing status to U9-U10 to "recreational" leagues. The President, Executive Director and GLASRA to discuss options.

Problem with a Mason U15 girls team traveling to Ionia and Ionia team did not show for game. Apparently the team was lacking members and was blended into a Coed team. There was apparently not notification of this change made to league officials. The Executive Director suggested that each team designate a "team contact" that would be responsible for maintaining team related communication chains.

Mr. Moreno noted that a WFC player received a concussion during a recent game. Mr. Moreno was seeking a detailed report for game referee. It was found that the offending player was at fault and responsible for the incident. Mr. Moreno asked if there was any action to be taken by CASL on this incident.

President's Report

The President noted that there were 138 games the previous weekend, with 28 of those were cancelled due to weather. Those games are being rescheduled.

There is a new form on the website for for schedule changes that is not working. The President wants to revamp this form with a sliding scale of penalty payment.

President considering a Google Groups list to aide in communication

The President proposed raising the penalty fee for rescheduling games.

There was a discussion of eliminating the distance clause in the CASL Rules.

There was a motion by Mr. Winters to change the penalty for to reschedule a game to \$50 within 1 week of game, \$75 within 3 days of game, and \$100 within 24 hours of game. The motion was seconded by Mr. Menne, and passed with unanimous vote.

There was a motion by Ms Kinsbury to amend CASL Rule "C1"

Strike the following: All game fields are at a reasonable distance within the Capital Area. Reasonable distance is approximately 30 miles between the two teams. No team will be required to drive more than 30 miles for a game.

Add the following: If the distance between two teams is more than 50 miles, the visiting team may request a neutral game site. This request must be made within the grace period of scheduling. Once the schedule is posted and final, the request for a neutral game site will be considered a reschedule request and will incur all fees associated with a game change. This motion was seconded by Mr. Winters and passed with unanimous vote.

The President noted the ongoing shortages of referees. He suggested that clubs should be actively recruiting referee candidates from their communities.

Vice President's Report

No Report

Complaints Director's Report

There have been (3) official complaints so far this year.

There are communication issues with GLASRA, the community reps and referees.

Age verification can be an issue, and the Complaints Director seeking input on how to manage age verification issues.

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director provided a handout with an audit of team compliance with birth certificates. There was a discussion of the topic.

There are teams requesting "late,late" player additions (1 team within the last week).

The Capital Area Classic recap
(128) teams participated
There was excellent weather
Several teams signed up in wrong age groups
25% of teams were CASL teams

Round Table Discussion

A brief discussion on the state of the US Men's National Team.

Next Meeting

The next CASL Board meeting is 11-19-2017, at 7PM, Jimmy's Pub, East Lansing, MI.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Ms Kingsbury, second by Mr. Moreno at 8:47PM, passed with unanimous vote.