

TCL Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2008
Holiday Inn, Greensboro

Attendance

Garry Norman (TCL President; NTSC) John Babcock (TCL Secretary; TCYSA); Tab Haigler (URYSA), Tim Dezego (DCUSA), David Trivette (YSA); Scott Snow (YSA); (JSC); Toni Stang (TASC), Doug Rogers (PSA; PTFC); Hal Mortensen (JSC); Nancy Groh (JSC); Christian Duty (CCSC); Monty Griffith (ICRD); Chauncey Brummell (GUS); Ed Harris (MYSA); Kevin Bilodeau (WOW); Jim Archibald (WOW); Gary Olive (TCL); Jeff Jenkins (KSA; PTFC); Ricky Cooper (NDSL); Tom Cartee (GYS); Danny Bowman (NTSC); Pat Hunt (GRYSA), and Maurice Coreil (TCL Treasurer).

Member Associations Not Present – BSC; CYSA

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 pm by Garry Norman after completion of the annual dinner meeting.

Approval of Minutes

The first item of business was the approval of the minutes of the April 1, 2008 Meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Officers' Reports

The next item of business was the presentation of the Officer's Reports, as follows:

- Treasurer Report – Maurice Coreil provided a brief report on the finances of the Association. He reported that the club was building up some sizable reserves in cash. As a result, he expressed his opinion that the association should begin looking at ways to use some of its cash to reinvest back into youth soccer.
- Younger Boys Commissioner – Robert Oliver had to leave early and was not there at the start of the meeting.
- Younger Girls Commissioner – Kim Kerns was unable to attend.
- Older Boys & Girls Commissioner – Ricky Cooper reported that everything had been going reasonably well until the last week of the season. He reported that one team had accumulated 30 points for the season, which would result in certain sanctions being imposed, and there was one game between U18 ICRD and YSA teams that resulted in a fight breaking out with a couple of red cards being issued; Ricky indicated that NCYSA was looking into that game. Significant discussion then ensued whether D&A points, and suspensions for coaches and/or players carry over to the next season or state cup, and whether any suspension for a coach gets enforced against with another team he or she coaches in the event the team involved in the game is no

longer playing organized soccer within NCYSA. Monty Griffith indicated that he would follow up with any required suspension of coaching, as it relates to any ICRD coach, arising out of the accumulation of D&A points for the season.

- D&A Report – Tom Cartee indicated that there had been one or two big problems, but not lots and lots of small problems. Thus, as a whole, he did not feel that disciplinary issues were a significant widespread problem. Maurice Coreil stated that the league needs to start enforcing D&A rules with kids at younger ages. Maurice felt that if we do not start enforcing these rules, aggressively, with the younger players, we should not be surprised when those same players cause more serious problems at the older age groups.

Old Business

The items of old business covered at the meeting were as follows:

- May elections: Gary Norman went through a list of proposed nominees for the open officer positions for the elections to be held at the June meeting. Gary noted the following nominees:

Young Girls Commissioner – Clay Showalter (CCSA)

Younger Boys Commissioner – David Trivette (YSA)

Treasurer - Open

Secretary - Open

Vice President – Pat Hunt (GRYSA) – Pat indicated he would consider that role.

President – John Babcock (TCYSA) – John indicated he would consider it.

D&A – Garry Norman – Garry indicated he would consider that role.

Hal Mortenson of JSC also nominated Scott Behe (JSC) for the Younger Boys Commissioner position.

New Business

- Recap of Spring season – Garry Norman provided a brief recap of the Spring season. He commended the TCL reps at getting the schedules completed and turned back into the League quickly (after they had come out late). He also indicated that everyone did a good job in rescheduling all of the various rainouts. In that regard, Kevin Bilodeau indicated that there were about 30 games that did not get played in the spring due to the wet weather.
- Recap of TCL Tournament – Gary Olive provided a summary of the recently completed TCL Cup Tournament. Gary expressed the concern that participation in the tournament has been dwindling over the last few years. He then discussed certain alternatives for scheduling the tournament and/or making the outcome of the tournament more important for TCL Clubs.

One suggestion was to schedule the spring season as a 9-week season, with the last week being the tournament for the top 6 teams in each age group. Other teams would simply play other scheduled games against other remaining teams.

Another suggestion was to make the winner of the TCL Cup the number one seed for State Cup purposes regardless of a team's finish in the regular season.

It was suggested that TCL reps talk to their respective clubs and be in a position to discuss some alternatives at the June meeting.

- **Wireless Internet Access** – Garry Norman indicated that Dave Clark had suggested providing internet access at Sara Lee fields for Challengefest and the TCL tournament, which would allow for real time posting of scores. This will be looked into for next year's tournaments.
- **Challengefest Discount** – Garry Norman also reported that it was suggested that TCL teams be given a \$100 discount for participating in Challengefest, as a means of encouraging all TCL teams to play in that tournament. This too will be looked at for next year's tournament.
- **Intents to Play; Bond Money** – It was then reported that intents to play for the fall season will be due on July 1, 2008. Also due will be the bond money for the older boys teams. It was stressed again that the bond money must be paid in full by July 1, 2008.
- **Events.** A list of upcoming events was presented by Garry Norman.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

The next meeting will be held June 3, 2008 at 7:30pm.