

Meeting Minutes 6pm, April 30th 2024 via Zoom

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1. Welcome & Acknowledgement:

We acknowledge that the Cariboo Youth Soccer Association is located on the traditional territories of the Lhtako Dené, Secwepemc, Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), St`át`imc and Lil`wat.

In attendance: Ingo, Patrick, Teresa, Alexis, Marc, Veronica and Lisa

2. Adoption of Agenda:

1st/2nd Marc/Alexis

3. Meeting Minutes Approval:

1st/2nd Alexis/Patrick

4. Correspondence:

a) None

5. Treasurer/Finances Report: (Treasurer Position still vacant)

a) Banking Update – Banking is now all switched over to our new board. We needed to order new check books right away. We still need a treasurer if anyone has any leads please send them our way!

6. Old Business:

- a) Regional Training Camp Report Marc reported that the camp was very successful, we have received many compliments and questions of when the next one will be held. We also had many learning opportunities, and we were especially surprised at the amount of food we went through! The RTC profited just over \$4000.
- b) District League Play League games are scheduled for May 26-100 Mile, June 2nd-Williams Lake and June 16th in Quesnel. Because score can only be kept for U14+ we will wait to see how many of eligible teams we have in these age groups to see if we will host finals. This year each clubs are responsible for covering their own field schedule, reffing schedule and costs of refs. This may be something we look to change next year.

7. New Business:

a) Females in soccer: The board would like to work on celebrating, inspiring and promoting females in soccer, and female coaches in soccer. Veronica (TD from WL) is going to bring forward next month some action items and take the lead on this initiative. A few ideas

we talked about: Holding female only camps, having older girls coaching younger girls, bringing back the girls Timberwolves, hosting specific female coach training, offering some kind of reward/draw for female registrations. If any clubs have an interested parent that is willing to be a part of this please let lisa know.

- b) Recognizing our local Soccer athletes: New CYSA initiative. We want to celebrate our local athletes who have gone on to continue in their soccer careers, or who have had some cool experiences/opportunities with soccer. Anything that you feel is worth celebrating and sharing on all our social medias. Lets inspire are youth! Please send athletes bio, photo and write up to Lisa, or ask the athlete themselves to reach out to Lisa.
- c) European Football School Partnership: EFS reached out to Lisa looking to form a partnership together as a district. They are really open to anything we want from grassroots camps, to high performance camps, and varying locations in our district. They have the same goal in mind as we do, increasing the number of kids in soccer, increasing positive experiences in soccer, and providing more opportunities for kids. Ideally, we would plan to hold 2-4 sessions a year. Lisa will work with EFS and come up with an action plan to bring forward next month, Lisa will communicate with staff in each club.
- d) Club Membership Fees to district We have kept this as an ongoing conversation to discuss what would be the purpose of the membership fee, how would funds be used etc. Most districts in the province charge a fee to at least cover the administration work. Some items we spoke about tonight that could potentially be covered by membership fees:
 - Covering costs of refs for league play
 - Administration/financial work for district
 - Connect with BC Soccer Staff
 - Hosting whole district events (possibly a district tournament?)
 - Hosting a free camp for kids
 - Providing reffing clinics
 - Offering Coaching clinics

Lisa will look into what other districts are charging, as well as what types of things these memberships cover. Taking into consideration that our district currently has 4 club members. Lisa will bring any new information forward at our next meeting.

- e) Coaches and Ref Training At this point, if clubs would like to host something they need to request through BC Soccer.
- f) Provincials: The board discussed using the extra surplus we have this year to cover the registration fee for any teams in the Cariboo

- District that qualify for provincials. Alexis Motioned that CYSA cover the registration cost of provincials for any team in our district that qualifies for provincials. Teresa Seconds. Motion carried.
- g) Registrations into district: Just a reminder that spreadsheets of registrations should be submitted to the district by mid may.
- h) League play draws: Ideas discussed around having a prize for kids at our league play events, also a way to gain some awareness about CYSA. Teresa motioned to purchase 3 pairs of player makers to draw during our league play games. Ingo seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:45pm

Next Meeting Date: May 28th @6pm via zoom

Meetings are the last Tuesday of the month @ 6pm via zoom

May 28th

June 25th

July – Meet as/if needed

August – Meet as/if needed

September 24th

October 29th

November 26th

December- No meeting

January 31st AGM