



MDCVSA Annual General Meeting
Tuesday, August 26, 2014, 7 pm
Conference Call

1. Roll Call

Member Leagues

Capital Coed Soccer League	Lou Chinchilla
Central Virginia Soccer Association	Liz MacAdory
Commonwealth Soccer League	Jeff Campbell
Fredericksburg Field House	Aaron Toellner
Northern Virginia Adult Soccer Association	Natalie Parcell
Northern Virginia Soccer League	John Eskandary
Soccer Organization of Charlottesville-Albemarle	Andrew Halley
Southeastern Virginia Women's Soccer Association	Pam Mudway
Washington Area Women's Soccer League	Jessie Kratz

Officers

James Sadowski	President
Marti Bevan	Vice President
Lou Chinchilla	Registrar
Jessie Kratz	Treasurer
Chris Tierney	Secretary

Delegates

Anita Hood
Steve Long
Jamie Williams

2. Credentials Report

There were 101 of 165 eligible votes in attendance. A quorum was achieved.

3. Agenda

Motion to accept the agenda was approved.

4. Minutes

Motion to adopt the minutes from the 1/10/2014 meeting was approved.

5. Officers' Reports

a. President's Report

Jim first thanked everyone who helped with the 2014 USASA Veterans Cup which was held in July in Virginia Beach. He gave a special thank you to MaryBeth, Jessie, Chris, Marti and Steve for their hard

work. Jim then laid out his objectives for the next term: (1) to continue to improve the online registration system, and, if necessary, develop a custom solution that best suits the needs of the MDCVSA and its diverse membership; (2) find ways to add value to the membership, whether by way of a membership card with discounts/sponsors, improved events, or otherwise; and (3) continue to explore alternative insurance choices to keep costs down.

b. Vice-President's Report

Marti also thanked everyone for their work on Veterans Cup. She also reported that Diane, our assistant administrator, resigned this summer.

c. Registrar's Report

Lou explained the process of printing cards and card distribution

d. Treasurer's Report

Jessie said she emailed her report and unless anyone has any specific questions would like to use her time during the budget discussion.

e. Secretary's Report

Chris had nothing to report.

6. Referee Matters

Jim outlined the new state policy to make all grade 8 referees who officiate adult matches into grade 7s. He stated that MDCVSA is working with the league assignors to ensure this does not have a negative impact on MDCVSA leagues. Jessie asked Jim to state for the record that grade 7 referees will not be required to pay additional fees, attend additional clinics, or be required to take either fitness test or be required to have assessment to which Jim agreed.

7. New Business

- a. New By-law proposal—Jim stated that MDCVSA is looking for ways to be more flexible in recruiting new leagues. He explained the new bylaw proposal which allows the MDCVSA Executive Council to waive the online registration requirement for new leagues. After a brief discussion and an explanation on how MDCVSA's current online registration system works, a motion to approve the bylaw passed.
- b. Discussion of new fiscal year—Jim stated that MDCVSA is looking to move the fiscal year to the calendar year but discussion will be postponed until the next meeting.
- c. Budget—Jessie pointed out changes in the budget since the budget discussion in the spring. She said the major changes relate to insurance costs, a subsidy for teams going to 2015 Veterans Cup, and a reduced registration rate for leagues that are online. She first outlined the new Participant Accident Policy—it now has different deductibles whether the player is using it as primary (\$2,500) or secondary (\$500) insurance; 70% of Usual & Customary (U&C); and a \$10,000 limit. She then outlined the new registration fee structure—\$21 for players who use online registration; \$22 for players who use manual registration. A discussion followed on process by which the online system works, the burden manual registration puts on the administrators, and duplicate fees players who play in multiple leagues who do not use online registration. A motion to accept the budget passed without comment.
- d. Elections:
 - Jim asked for nominations for President—Jim Sadowski was nominated for another term.; John Eskandary also nominated himself as President. The Council decided the process by which the election would be held would wait until after the rest of the elections. Marti continued with the elections.
 - Marti asked for nominations for Treasurer—Jessie Kratz was nominated Treasurer. Motions to close and approve the nomination were approved.
 - Marti asked for nominations for delegates. The following delegates were nominated:
 - Steve Long—Delegate
 - Anita Hood—Delegate
 - Jamie Williams—Delegate
 - Aaron Toeller—Delegate
 - Tom Leiss—Delegate

Motions to close and approve nominations were approved.

- After extensive discussion the Council decided the election for President would proceed by paper ballot via U.S. postal mail since that was the only way to ensure secrecy, and only those present on the call would get to vote. Jim directed Marti, Chris, and Jessie to proceed with the logistics and oversee the election. Marti asked all present on the call to email their postal addresses to Chris Tierney and in the coming days they would receive instructions on how the election will proceed.

11. Open issues from the floor

- a. CVSA asked to revisit the budget since they hadn't understood they would be charged more for player registration and they had just developed a new online system. After extensive discussion a motion to pass the budget with a \$21 per player registration fee regardless of whether leagues were or were not online was passed. Jessie said she would rework the budget to make sure MDCVSA was not in a deficit.

12. For the good of the game

- a. There was a general consensus the AGM should take place in person, although a call-in option will be available for leagues that can't travel. Steve suggested we pair the AGM with a soccer match viewing or some other incentive to get members to attend.
- b. Next meeting—the next meeting will be in January 2015 by conference call. A doodle poll will be circulated to determine the exact date and time.

13. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Tierney
Secretary