

MDCVSA Minutes
General Council Meeting
May 6, 2000
Hyatt Richmond
Richmond, Virginia

The meeting took place on May 6, 2000 at the Hyatt Richmond at 6624 West Broad St., Richmond, VA and began at 10:00 am.

I. Roll Call

There was not a quorum. There were 42% of the member leagues present. There were proxies presented to Lauren Ware from Eric Hoy (WAWSL and WAWRL) and to Jim Sadowski for Chip Terrill (WISL). Since there was not a quorum, nothing could be voted on, but could be discussed. Those present at the meeting included the following: Capital Coed Premier Soccer League, Capital Coed Recreation Soccer League, Central Virginia Recreational Soccer Association, Central Virginia Soccer Association, Chesterfield Women's Soccer Association, Guatemala Soccer League, Northern Virginia Soccer League, Southeastern VA Women's Soccer Association, Virginia Coed Sports and Recreation Association, DC/NOVA, President - Wallace Watson, Vice President - Donald Hood, Executive Secretary-Suzie Price, Treasurer - Luis del Aguila, Registrar - Ben Jones, and delegates Wolf Antoni, Jim Sadowski, and Anita Hood, Scott Meyers - SRA and guest Ted Adams from VCSRA.

II. Luis del Aguila raised the issue of January's minutes. He did not receive the corrected copy from Michael. (I faxed them to him after the meeting. He raised the following issues:

- Chip's amendment was unconstitutionally made and that it could only be made at an AGM or "Special Meeting" Wally ruled Luis out of order and stated that it had been announced to be voted on at the meeting in January.
- He also stated that he was not present at the January meeting. This had been noted in the corrected minutes.

Anita Hood made the motion not to approve the January minutes until everyone received them.

III. Wally introduced Linda Yaverbaum and Trina from the Southeastern Soccer League, and re-welcomed **Alberto Morales** from the Guatemalan Soccer League.

IV. Some upcoming events Wally mentioned were:

- Regional Cup Finals in Trenton, New Jersey on June 18. The winners will go and represent the region in the National Cup Finals in Oakford, PA on July 21, 22, 23.
- The Veterans Cup will take place in New Hampshire on June 30, July 1 and 2.
- The Women's Challenge Cup will take place in Virginia Beach on August 5 and 6.
- The Coed Cup will take place in Texas on September 29 - October 1.
- South Africa plays USA Men's National team June 3 at RFK, Wash, DC.

V. The Audit Committee recommended:

- A bond for anyone handling money for the State Assn. The Bond costs \$196.00 and covers all Officers and those handling money for the State. This was handled by Tom Hayes from K & K Insurance and is effect. Tom is also looking into a policy that would cover league officers.

- There was a Management Oversight Committee appointed and will be chaired by Larry Monaco. Those on the committee are Donald Hood (who will also serve as liaison for MDCVSA), Bruce Williams, Michael Wagener, and Thomas Grahame.

VI. Officers' Reports

A. Donald Hood - VP has updated the:

- "Green Sheet" which deals with penalties to those that assault referees.
- MDCVSA Disciplinary Procedures (covers Hearings, Penalties, Suspensions, Procedures for reporting assaults, etc.)
- MDCVSA Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy

He would like feedback on these policies that are updated to comply with USSF Rules and Regulations. Don has been appointed to USSF Appeals Committee.

B. Ben Jones - Registrar announced the deadline for player registration and payments for the spring are due June 1.

C. Suzie Price - Exec. Sec.

- *Keeping in Touch* Regional Magazine - Please send any human-interest article (that you would like to read) The next deadline will be e-mailed.
- E-mail any directory corrections or updates.
- If a Certificate of Insurance is needed from our Administrator, he needs at least one week.

D. Financial Report from Jim Sadowski

- Jim went down a list of questions basically to Luis del Aguila, the Treasurer. Luis stated that he did use his newly purchased version of Quicken with his book Quicken for Dummies (as recommended by the Audit Committee). Luis stated the minutes he mailed out to everyone had a mistake listing the old bank account with a balance, and it should say 0. He did reprint a few copies for anyone interested in a revised copy. Wally asked Lauren for future what pages were essential in the Treasurer's Report instead of sending out 49 pages. There will be a compiled detailed copy to anyone interested but the copies mailed out will be a shorter, concise version. Luis stated that he filed Income taxes and that he may be able to do it with the Quicken program next year or we should hire someone.
- Anita Hood, Chair of the Audit Committee said the committee was trying to track down the \$10,000. Wally explained that it was a gift for the privilege of having the Men's World Cup '94 games in DC.
- Lauren suggested that we do not give out money unless we have something in writing, especially if we expect to get it back.
- Steve Long suggested with computers nowadays that we store and save minutes, etc. on discs to be retrieved at any time.
- Jim reminded everyone travel vouchers need to be to Luis within 30 days.

VII. Wolf Antoni called since he was late to the meeting and wanted a telephone proxy, however it was ruled unconstitutional.

VIII. State Cup and Men's Challenge Cup

Derek McCown reported on the following:

- There are 10 interested teams in the State Cup (from NVSL, WISL, CSL, & CVSA).
- There are 8 interested teams in the Challenge Cup (CVSA, NVSL, CASA).
- The final 8 will be July 15 and 16 in Richmond at the Bryan Park Soccer Complex.

IX. Women's USASA Region I Challenge Cup

Lauren Ware reported that she sent a letter to all of Region I from Maine to Virginia and West Virginia inviting the Women's teams to participate. This Cup will take place August 5 and 6 at the Hampton Roads Soccer Complex. The Cup is basically being run as a loss, but on the positive side, there have been leagues that have affiliated in the last 2 years. She stated she needs help soliciting ads, donations of both sponsors and equipment and that this is not her tournament but that of the State and Region. Lauren stated that she was interviewed by the *Washington Post* on "Why Older Women/Soccer Moms Want to Play Soccer."

X. Curtis Wilson, the women's coach will hold State Select Team Tryouts on May 20 in Richmond, and in Northern Virginia on May 8 and 15. For information call Lauren Ware. If the women are selected they will be required to play in PA on June 10th and 11th. The players will be reimbursed for mileage. Women's Referee Pilot Course will take place in Richmond on August 12 and August 26. There will be 2, 8-hour sessions (ending with a field practice). The registration fee is \$40 and upon passing the course and working six (6) games they would be reimbursed. Registration deadline is July 31 and 15 women/girls are a must for the course and up to 25 women will be accepted.

XI. Scott Meyer, the State Referee Administrator, reported that his grant of \$7000 did not get approved and still wants our financial help to run the Referee Camps. The aim is to train Referees at higher levels. They hope to get at least 20 adults and 15 youth Referees. The participants will pay \$50, and the rest will be subsidized. The Adult will take place in August. He has run a course for Jim Sadowski's league and ran a course in Spanish for the Culpepper League last month. There were 8 new Referees that graduated from the course. There was a motion made by Jim Sadowski to fund the \$7000 and receipts would be provided to document the expenses of the actual costs and if there were monies left over, they would be returned to the State. This seemed to be favorable to those present. Lot 4 Youth Soccer Night at RFK will be the focus from 4-8pm on May 13. If you would like to help in Scott's tent, it would be much appreciated. Check out the Referee web page for information on classes and contacts. Games only count that are assigned by Certified Assignors. To be a certified assignor requires a one-day class and \$10.

XII. National Cups by Luis del Aguila stated there were 5 State Champions.

XIII. A letter from Sybil Tillotson was faxed to Wally and stated the team she was on received \$600 in a check payable to Kip Germaine and the team never saw the money. This matter will be checked into.

XIV. Coed Cup by Jim Sadowski- stated that this is the 2nd year and that it is open to 16 teams, 4 from each region. There will be an Over 30 and an Open. There was both e-mail and a letter mailed to all of the states and so far New Jersey might have one team interested. May 15 is the Preliminary, with the Cup being held September 29, 30 and Oct. 1.

XV. Ted Adams, of the Virginia Pyros was a guest from one of Wolf Antoni's league. He has been offered to participate in and International Friendly game in Bermuda on May 26 to promote coed soccer. Ted's team will face a combination of both the Men and Women's National Teams of Bermuda. Seventeen players will probably going. He presented a power point presentation of what they were doing and what they hoped to accomplish both in coed soccer and started programs in Bermuda for at risk children, etc. They were asking for \$2000 to help defray expenses. After much discussion, this motion was not received favorably as member leagues stated they would want to go overseas and they would ask for monies too.

XVI. Web Page - Since Ben is no longer interested in hosting the MDCVSA Web Page, Mike Gregory from Derek's league, who has his own computer business, is interested in donating his labor for free. The cost to MDCVSA will be approx. \$75 for the year. We were paying \$50 a month.

XVII. For the Good of the Game - Lauren is selling raffle tickets @ \$5 each for an autographed soccer ball by the National Women's Team. So call her, there are still a few tickets available.

XVIII. The meeting was adjourned at 2pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzie Price, Exec. Sec.

P. S.: I hope I got everything as I was the fill in secretary and did not have a tape recorder.

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