

**Nanaimo Youth Soccer Club**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**October 21, 2009**

**Present:** Carl Neibel, Liam Roden, Leo Beier, Glenn Doumont, Bill Merriman, Kevin Goodwin, Anup Kang, Trish Crumpton, Rob Jakobsen,

**Guests:** U12 Parents Group

*Motion* to adopt the agenda by Liam and seconded by Carl.

*Motion* to adopt the minutes of the last meeting by Leo and seconded by Kevin.

**U12 Parents Group Presentation (10 Min.) Joe Foster**

- Spoke to parents regarding development, different opinions regarding feelings of DDC and our options
- Feels that the Wellness to World Cup, we are moving in right direction. Not all parents feel the same way.
- Careful who they align themselves with? Comment...
- Why parents are playing for independent development teams outside of the DDC umbrella
- As much soccer exposure for their children, for kids who want to play at a higher level. One night was not enough.
- Why one night is only offered, excludes kids from playing at a higher level.
- Cost is a barrier.
- NYSC age based barriers, feel that is detrimental and needs to be addressed in the house league as well. Every game has been a blow out so far this year.
- Withdrawal from the UI league and they have yet to see games. There isn't competition for their kids thus far.
- Last year's DDC was very disappointing.
- To not allow these kids to continue on in this program that they have set up will cause these kids to leave and go to other sports, go to other clubs, and or set up their own clubs to go head to head. There would be no good outcomes should the club decide not to allow this.

**Questions from the board**

- If we say yes to this then where do we draw the line?
- It is very easy to say that it would be fine to say no to other groups, but you don't know what that is like after a negative decision.
- What is the benefit of not sanctioning this group, when North Island doesn't want to play you guys?
- That is false information, they actually want to play us and there are several games that are in the works.

- Is it just because it runs concurrent with the DDC? What about summer/off-season? We would need to look at these things going forward.
- There is an opportunity to here to bridge this issue. Bill of rights for young athletes from 30 years ago and that this is an opportunity to fix things and let this run as a “Pilot Project.”
- If you are going to squash these kids, then you will probably lose all of these kids and these parents.
- Can you guys step up and help us out? Yes, if you guys will work with us then we will be happy to help out.
- Kids are falling through the cracks, so think of this as a bridge.

*Motion* to table the above issue by Trish and seconded by Leo.

We will form a committee with Carl, Liam, Glenn, Leo.

### **Executive Director Report:**

- U17 boys are now on the UI schedule playing interlocking games with LI.
- DDC is really busy right now, and this Monday we will be ready to go. We have now 12 teams set to play games.
- Leo sent Grant applications info for low income and First Nations players, for \$25,000 max.
- Fundraiser is going well and the workload is growing. Will start on Nov. 7 and event will happen on Jan.31/10. Proposal that we need to talk about, gaming won't allow the raffle tickets. Pay to get in and a chance to bowl for car. Need to get 2 out of 3 strikes to put an entry in for the car. Board needs to decide to purchase car after the threshold of \$16,000 then we will purchase the car.

*Motion* to pay half the cost of the Kia Rio once we reach the fundraising threshold of up to \$16,000, and to accept the amendments of the fundraising program by Carl and seconded by Trish. Carried.

- Board requests. If a board member can ask for assistance, prioritized 1-5 to help Shawn out.

### **Futsal Report:**

- 2 kids in the U11-U13 registered, so they will get a refund
- 16 kids in the U6-U10 group.
- Coaching deals for Futsal, a 12-15 minute coaching clinic DVD \$10 each afterwards.
- Leo spoke with Shannon Wilson at John Barsby, there aren't many kids coming out of Harewood area. Get help from VIU students to coach Futsal in the South End of town for children within families with Low-incomes.
- Target individual teams with emails regarding Futsal.

- North Shore is hosting a Futsal tournament in December.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- NDYSA is owed \$54,000
- Expense Report as attached.
- Account Balances as circulated.

*Motion* to pay the expenses by Trish and seconded by Lynn.

*Motion* to remove Isabell as the third signing authority on the accounts by Liam and seconded by Liam.

*Motion* to make Rob Jakobsen the third signor on the accounts by Carl and seconded by Kevin.

**Discussions:**

H1N1 Flu action plans- BCSA says that they should not shake hands. Coaches discretion regarding hand shakes. Put something on the website.

Isabell Neilsen will be the Volunteer Coordinator.

City of Nanaimo issue from 2007. Someone is suing the City of Nanaimo for slipping on the field. There are questions. Liam will contact Brian Kirkhope on this matter.

Board liability insurance. Trish will look into this for the board.

Motion to adjourn by Trish and seconded by Glenn. Carried.