

North Okanagan Women's Soccer Association
Annual General Meeting 2023
MINUTES

December 7th, 2023

Attendees:

- Angela Vicars – KAOS
- Brandi – Pet Planet
- Cheyenne Sabyan – Shuswap Rush
- Cody Fox
- Eileen Fox, President
- Jacqui – VQA
- Judith Leon
- Laura Schmidt, Vice-President
- Rachel Cooke – Shuswap Rush
- Sarah Ehman
- Sarah Zuidhof
- Toshiko Hoshi
- Tess Deziel, Secretary – KAOS

Called to Order @ 6:35pm

Approval of Agenda – Renee / Laura – carried

Approval of 2022 AGM Minutes – Laura / Renee – carried

Presidents Report

Elaine – despite cancellations, feedback from teams was good. New team rep added for indoor.

Directors Report

Cody Fox – applications can be made to NOWSA for this position.

This year we had 15 teams between indoor & outdoor.

Registration rules have changed. Teams are registered August to August.

Insurance rate for players changed from \$17/player to \$25/player. Team fees also changed.

Director no longer has control over website registration – now registrations have to be sent to BC Soccer and they will update the website – this is affecting turn around time for registration confirmations.

Our website is trying to promote team sponsors – please send info to Cody to upload.

Trying to register as a Society to have non-profit status which will allow NOWSA to apply for grants.

Year in Review

Eileen – the player/coach incident that was dealt with professionally – we should be mindful that we are in this for fun!

Financial Report

Laura – operating deficit of \$1,117 incurred for this year – mainly due to insurance cost increases and a 2nd referee fee increase. Game cancellations helped offset the larger expected deficit. Bank account is approximately \$9,200.

Proposed Fees for 2024 Season

Laura – depending on referee fees, estimate of \$2,400/team.

Admin fees to be paid to the Director will be \$150/team. This includes website management.

Elections

- Vice President – 2 year term
 - o No nominations
- Treasurer – 2 year term
 - o No nominations
- Email to be sent out to all teams with terms of reference & a request for nominations. A special meeting will be held to accept nominations.
- New members
 - o Cheyenne Sabyan accepted Member-at-Large – Tess / Sarah – carried.
 - o Sarah Zuidhof accepted Member-at-Large – Laura / Tess – carried.

New Business

- Salmon Arm home games, open division – Shuswap Rush hoping for at least one home game in Salmon Arm. Team will confirm if Salmon Arm fields are available. Discussion held, if there are 6 teams, 5 would be played in SA. Nets may need to be purchased as some SA fields are not equipped.
- Tournament for Vernon & Okanagan teams – added by VQA. Jacqui represented and discussed that this would be great to see a women’s tournament here in the Okanagan in the future. Shuswap Rush would also like to be part of this if this becomes an event. Team reps to reach out to their teams to see if a committee can be formed.
- Spare list – when a spare registers, player would have to pay their \$25 registration fee immediately. Good way to get new players into the league.
- Creation of new teams – built off the spare list. Indoor participation may increase with the closure of the Salmon Arm indoor facility.

Meeting Adjourned @ 7:49pm