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**LOWER ISLAND SOCCER ASSOCIATION
DISTRICT PRESIDENTS MEETING #2**

January 22, 2008
Esquimalt Rec Centre

Members Present:

Bays United *Hazel Braithwaite*
Juan de Fuca *Glen Davis*
Gordon Head *Murray Smith*
Lakehill *Derek Paul*
Peninsula *Dave Erb, Robert Hope*
Prospect Lake *Adriano Sumberac*
Salt Spring *Malcolm Legg*
Sooke *Brad McEwan*

LISA Board Members & Staff:

Tim Satterford *President*
Bob Nex *Vice-President*
Mark Brittain *Vice-President*
Ken Aitken *Secretary*
Keith Smith *Treasurer*
Terry Hughes *Director*
Tiberio de Frias *Director*
Sharon Marejka *Executive Director*
Dante Zanatta *District Head Coach*
Brian Davis *District Head Scheduler*

Regrets:

Cordova Bay
Cowichan
Gorge

Recording Secretary: Tracey Cottrell

Meeting Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 19:07 hrs.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: <i>To adopt the Agenda as amended</i> by Juan de Fuca 2 nd Salt Spring	Carried
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2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRESIDENTS MEETING #1 October 16, 2007

Motion: <i>To adopt the Minutes as circulated of Presidents Meeting #1 October 16, 2007</i> by Bays 2 nd Juan de Fuca	Carried
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Action Items:

1. S. Marejka is in the process of setting up a Committee to explore the changing of the playing season.



3. OLD BUSINESS:

BC Cup Draws

In each division, a maximum of eight teams enter into Cup play. In divisions holding more than eight teams a “draw” was held to determine which teams would play in a preliminary (knock out) round, and which teams would automatically advance to the quarter finals (round of eight). Winning teams advanced to the quarter finals with that draw being held at this Presidents Meeting.

Clubs are to ensure coaches are aware of the Rules and Regulations for Cup Play. This information is posted on the LISA website.

Change to Class 4 Registration Fee

As previously reported, recent changes to the Referee structure within BCSA will come into effect April 1, 2007. These changes may have an effect on whether, or not, LISA will continue the practice of paying for a Referee’s Registration Fees. As the overall cost of covering these fees next season will rise significantly, this matter is being brought before the President’s to decide on how to handle. Discussion ensued and several options were raised. As this is a financial decision the President’s opted to defer the subject to later in the meeting when the budget will be discussed.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

BCSA Special General Meeting

K. Aitken reported on the December 14, 2007 meeting, where the main topic was the adoption of a series of changes to the Rules and Regulations as they pertain to the Board of Directors. The proposed changes did not pass.

Semi-Annual General Meeting

K. Aitken reported on the December 14, 2007 meeting, where the main topic was the budget for the 2008/2009 season. The proposed budget was approved.

DDC Proposal

Head Coach Dante Zanatta provided an update on the DDC. In order to continue with the success of the DDC, support and funding from the Clubs is paramount. The financial support required from the Clubs will be discussed further when the “budget” is discussed later in this meeting.

LISA Budget for 2008/2009 Season

The proposed LISA Budget for the 2008/09 season was previously distributed by Treasurer, Keith Smith. The proposal called for a \$3.00 per player increase for the upcoming season: \$1.00 for BCSA/CSA; \$1.00 LISA; \$1.00 DDC. Discussion ensued.

Motion: *I move to approve, in principal, the LISA Budget for the 2008/09 season as proposed, which includes \$1.00 for BCSA/CSA; \$1.00 for LISA; and \$1.00 for the DDC*
by Juan de Fuca 2nd Bays United Carried

Gorge Proposal

Regrets were sent from Gorge President Terry Marra, who is unable to attend this meeting due to illness. LISA President Tim Satterford will report in the absence of Mr. Marra.

Due to circumstances beyond their control, the Gorge Soccer Association have been remiss in remitting a substantial portion of their 2007/08 Association Dues to LISA. The Gorge apologizes for this breach and asks that consideration be given to permit them an extension that will allow them to make full payment by July 31, 2008. Discussion ensued.

Motion: *I move to allow the Gorge Soccer Association to make payments per their written agreement with LISA, with full payment of the outstanding fees owed to LISA to be made by July 31, 2008*
by Bays United 2nd Sooke Carried



Motion: *I move that all Clubs must pay 80% of the Association Dues owed to LISA, which are based on the previous season, prior to October 15, or league play will be suspended effective immediately*
by Bays United 2nd Salt Spring

Discussion ensued. The motion was withdrawn by Bays United with the agreement of Salt Spring to do the same. This matter is to be brought before the Constitutional Committee to ensure correct interpretation and implementation.

U21 Division

Bays have requested that consideration be given to having a U21 Women's division to be administered by LISA versus LIWSA. It was pointed out that the U21 Division was mandated by BCSA as an "adult" program and as such, could not be administered by the LISA. Discussion ensued and it was recognized that we are losing youth "girls" to ladies programs. It was wondered if any options were available to LISA to prevent this from happening. Some options offered were: restrict access per age; cap the number of youth players each team can hold. T. Satterford will explore these and other options with LIWSA.

5. CLUB and BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Sharon Marejka

March 29-30, U12 Full Field Festival, hosted by Prospect Lake
April 6 – 7, District Cup, hosted by Sooke

Terry Hughes

Thank you to Prospect Lake for their ongoing support in providing fields for the Metro teams. Recognition was given to Salt Spring, where the first ever Metro game was played recently.

Juan de Fuca

The Langford Parks and Recreation Commission recently announced that 2 turf fields will be built.

Prospect Lake

The Mini Tournament will be held March 1 – 2 at Beckwith.
The artificial turf field at Layritz Park is almost complete and will be ready for games in the near future.

Salt Spring

April 26-27, 11-aside tournament

Peninsula

Considering raising their player registration fees by \$1.00.
Asked if LISA have a process in place to verify transfers and/or to review coaching exemptions. T. Satterford responded that Clubs should be administering the accuracy of this information. As LISA are not physically able to monitor every league game, the responsibility must lie with the Clubs themselves on this matter.

Lakehill

March 29-30, U12 Full Field Festival.
Funding for turf field secured.

Gordon Head

April 11-13, Jamboree
Working towards turf field.

Bays United

Reported on the success of the indoor tournament held over the Christmas season.
President Hazel Braithwaite will not be standing for re-election next season.



Tiberio de Frias

Conflict exists between some game times and referee availability. Mr. de Frias will put out a request to Clubs for their suggestions on changing games times, especially where games are hindered by the availability of referees.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 21:47 hours.

ACTION ITEMS

1. T. Satterford will discuss the U21 Women's Division with LIWSA, with an eye to keeping the youth players playing "youth" as long as possible.
2. Mr. Frias will put out a request to Clubs for their suggestions on changing games times, especially where games are hindered by the availability of referees.