



APPROVED

THE EIGHTH MEETING OF THE 2017/2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
of the Lower Island Soccer Association (LISA) was held at 19:00 hours on:
9 January 2018
Lower Island Soccer Association Office
ESQUIMALT, BC

Present:

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| Tim Satterford | <i>President</i> | Scott Farquhar | <i>Secretary</i> |
| Eric Erikson | <i>Treasurer</i> | Cheryl Rothnie | <i>Director</i> |
| Bob Nex | <i>Vice President</i> | John Kilbank | <i>Director</i> |
| Terry Hughes | <i>Director</i> | | |
| Andrew Latham | <i>Head Coach</i> | Karen Hood-Deshon | <i>Executive Director</i> |

Regrets:

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| Linda Pakos | <i>Director</i> |
| Tara Kennedy | <i>Director</i> |

Recording Secretary: Karen Thompson

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

1. ROLL CALL & APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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| Motion: To adopt the Agenda by, J Kilbank, 2 nd C Rothnie | <i>Carried</i> |
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2. Approval of the Board Meeting Minutes

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| Motion: To approve the December 12th, 2017 minutes by S Farquhar 2 nd T Hughes | <i>Carried</i> |
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NEW BUSINESS

Office Report (KHD)

- Qualified B Cup coaches
 - All LISA B Cup coaches have their Soccer for Life
- Island Fire
 - A question/proposal from Island Fire Academy (BC Soccer Associate Member) was received
 - They have a number of non-registered soccer players from within the LISA District that want to join their academy
 - Currently all players participating in LISA approved academies must be registered to a BC Soccer team/club
 - Proposal would be that they would ensure that players participating in their academy who are not currently registered would register early with a team/club for the start of the 2018/2019 season
 - Possible recommendations would be that they could late register to a club, join a club's spring league when clubs open registration for club spring leagues or allow the players to register for the upcoming full season early
 - Island Fire would have to ensure that all players are insured



- LISA's decision could hurt some clubs' spring league registration
- Allowing these players to participate could bring these players back to playing soccer for the regular season therefore increasing the total number of registered LISA players

Motion: To allow Island Fire to have non-registered players if they follow through with registering in one of these three ways: 1) register into a LISA club now as a late registered player, 2) register to a LISA club's upcoming spring league 3) guarantee that these players will register for the 2018/2019 season by C Rothnie 2nd S Farquhar
Carried, not unanimous

- VIPL –forfeit game
 - The attached Severe Weather Game Cancellation Protocol was discussed
 - At the end of the day, LISA will not force a player or teams to travel if parents feel that it is unsafe to do so
 - Victoria has many micro climates throughout the area
 - Document covers all items discussed last meeting so okay to implement
- The attached proposal from the South Vancouver Island Classic Soccer Association regarding the restructuring of Topaz Park was discussed
 - LISA will not add their name to this proposal for numerous reasons
- BC SPL Provincial Update
 - Fields have been booked, currently looking into hotel rooms for 12 teams per night (Boys Friday night, Girls Saturday night)

Technical Report (AL)

- Learn to Train and Soccer for Life coaching courses ran the first weekend in January with 17 people taking Learn to Train and 39 taking Soccer for Life
- She Kicks courses running in February will be Active Start, FUNdamentals and Soccer for Life in conjunction with UVIC Vikes
- Technical directors do not seem to be interested in trying to add U13s to the VIPL Leagues anymore
- Registration for the 2006 Intake teams are down this season
 - Word is not getting out to the 2006 parents/guardians
 - Andrew asked the board's permission to contact the parents/guardians directly
- Board asked what will happen if VI Wave VISL team is relegated to Div 2
 - Div 1 VISL spot that the Wave is currently using belongs to the Highlanders
 - Unlikely Div 2 is the right place for them if relegated
 - Decision on the Wave playing in the VISL 2018/2019 season will be made shortly

Budget (KHD, EE)

- A draft LISA 2018/2019 budget was discussed
 - BC Soccer is raising their fees for the upcoming season
 - LISA is proposing not to increase LISA player fees for the 2018/2019 season
 - Player registration is down from last season
 - Unknown at this time if there will be any income from the VISL as they have a proposal out to hire a general manager
 - Deficit for the VIPL is because there were 6 teams budgeted for the U14 VIPL teams and there are only 5 teams



- More money is needed for referee development in next year's budget

President's Meeting (TS)

- President's meeting is next week
 - To be discussed are the roster discrepancies and the Mobility Club Transition

B Cup Draw

- Board members all took part in drawing teams for the B Cup draw

Adjourned: 8:42

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Executive Director to finalize permit rules for U14 VIPL players DONE
2. LISA to communicate with the 2005 born players directly to invite them to VIPL assessments IN PROGRESS
3. Executive Director and Treasurer to discuss VIPL U14 expenses IN PROGRESS
4. Executive Director to work referee mentoring in the 2018/2019 budget
5. Director Pakos to attend BC SPL parents meeting on January 24th, 2018 DONE



Appendix D – Severe Weather Game Cancellation Protocol

Occasionally, games may have to be cancelled ON GAME DAY due to severe weather: snow, unsafe driving conditions, road closures, field closures, and ferry closures. Unfortunately, cold, wet and windy conditions are a part of winter soccer!

In this order:

1. When severe weather is in the forecast and fields have not been closed, team officials in the affected communities are to call the opposing team's officials the night before the game to discuss.
2. Both teams' officials are to notify their respective players/parents and have them be prepared for a cancellation or to leave on short notice if necessary.
3. In the morning, the host team is to verify field condition, adhering to the field open/close decision of the host club.
4. Team Officials from both teams to look up the Drive BC website at drivebc.ca and check the [map](#) and [webcams](#) to assess travel routes to the game location.
5. Team Officials from both teams to look at Environment Canada's website at weather.gc.ca/canada_e.html, to determine current and forecast weather conditions.
6. Team officials to make contact and discuss the field and road conditions as well as weather forecast and make a final decision on the game status.
 - Decisions must be made allowing for a minimum timeframe for communication and travel of:
 - i. 3 hours for any LISA vs LISA game
 - ii. 5 hours for any UI Storm scheduled game
 - iii. 6 hours for any LISA vs UI Riptide game
 - ***If fields are open, roads are clear, there is no snow in the forecast and the threshold for minimum timeframe has been met, the game must proceed and parents/players are to be notified immediately.***

If any game must be cancelled:

1. Both team's officials are to notify their Club designate and, if you are the HOME team, ensure that all internal calls are made to notify the: Club Administrator, Club Referee Scheduler and Club Field Scheduler. **Please follow your club's internal protocol.**
2. Both team's officials to email cancellation notification to UISA Executive Director @ upperislandsocceroffice@gmail.com
3. UISA Executive Director to email those affected with further cancellation/rescheduling information, and update VIPL website.

Please note:

- Coaches contact info is also on the VIPL website on the Teams & Rosters menu. Filter to desired division and team.
- It is good practice for all teams to become familiar with their opposing teams websites to check for field closures.
- On the UISA website: uisa.ca - from the drop-down menus, choose "About UISA", then the "Members" page. Links to all Club websites are located here. All UISA Clubs have their field status on their home page.
- On the LISA website: www.lowerislandsoccer.com on the drop-down menu, click on "Clubs". Links to all Club websites are located on the "Member Clubs and Boundaries" page. All LISA Clubs have links to their field status on their home page.



South Vancouver Island Classic Soccer Association
Proposal for the Restructuring of Topaz Park

Tourism revenue for the City of Victoria could be increased by following the example of Kamloops and building first class venues that would attract visiting sports teams to participate in tournaments. By using a model used in other jurisdictions the tourist industry could be involved in enhancing the event by offering tours and activities that would encourage participants to bring their families and stay longer in the city.

The accompanying diagram shows how Topaz Park could be changed to accommodate two turf and 5 grass soccer/rugby fields and five slow pitch/softball diamonds which would meet tournament needs and provide excellent year round facilities for local teams. This diagram was produced from measurements taken by the SVICS Development Committee. Whilst it involves some removal of grass slopes there is minimum relocation of trees and light fixtures. The plan still allows for some other activities to be included such as walking paths (dog paths) around the perimeter and retain the Oak grove in the NE and SE corners for scenic walking paths.

The multi-use proposal suggested by City staff seeks to accommodate many recreational activities. We are aware that these facilities are important to the community and should be included in a comprehensive City Parks plan which would involve all recreational spaces. The needs of all recreational groups can be met by rearranging the available recreational space in the City. Move a soccer field to Topaz and convert the vacated space for activities such as skate-boarding or pickleball courts. The under-utilised Beacon Hill gravel soccer fields could also be converted for such activities.

With reference to the City proposal the suggested inclusion of a building which will house changing rooms and a rental area for meetings and other functions is an excellent idea

Topaz Park has the largest concentrated recreational space in the City. Please do not dilute its value as a tourist attracting first class tournament venue by placing too many activities on it

Respectively Submitted January 2018
SVICSA Development Committee:

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The following diagram highlights our ideas for possible changes. The one caveat is that all of the soccer fields must be built as close to FIFA standards as possible to enable a realistic sports experience.





Addendum

This proposal is supported by:

(supporting organizations will be listed here)

The following tournaments are presently held at Topaz Park:

| Sport | Tournament | Organized by | Number of Teams/players | Number of visiting teams |
|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Soccer | Bill Drew Memorial | SVICSA | 44/700+ | 15 |
| Soccer | Totem Soccer | | | |
| Slo-pitch | | | | |
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| Various | Michael Donaghy Memorial | | | |
| Various | Highland Games | | | |
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Notes:

- **The number of visiting teams could be increased if the number of pitches/diamonds was increased.**
- **The availability of a suitable venue would encourage the introduction of new tournaments**

Who are the SVICSA?

The SVICSA is a 30 year old organization whose objective is to provide the opportunity for players 40+ to participate in recreational soccer. At present 700+ players on 32 teams in 3 age groups play in weekly games from September through March. The success of the organization in keeping players active is reflected by the fact that there are 33 players who are 70+ years of age. Throughout the year scrimmages are held every Monday and Friday which attract upwards of 36 players.