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INTERLOCK MEETING #3

THE THIRD INTERLOCK MEETING OF THE 2025-2026 SEASON

of the Lower Island Soccer Association (LISA) was held at 19:00

Tuesday, April 14th, 2026

Tyndall Turf Clubhouse

Present from LISA Clubs:

Ryan McQuillan – Bays United

Aaron Walker-Duncan – Gorge Soccer Association

Phil Hopkins – Juan de Fuca Soccer Association

Erin Gunnarson – Lakehill Soccer Association

Dale West – Peninsula Soccer Association

Jag Phagura – Saanich Fusion Football Club

Alexia Eiley – Westcastle International Academy

Regrets:

Peter Delange – Cowichan Valley Soccer Association

Malcolm Legg – Salt Spring United

Al McKay – Sooke Soccer Club

Ty Winstanley – Prospect Lake Soccer Club

Present from LISA Board:

Mike Synnuck *President*

Dave Johnson *Vice President*

Linda Pakos *Director*

Manny Hernandez *Director*

Regrets:

Cari Ormiston *Secretary*

Andrew Wynn-William *Treasurer*

Ed Low *Director*

LISA Staff:

Stuart Bancroft *LISA Executive Director*

Al Moir *LISA Referee Development Officer*

Recording Secretary: Stuart Bancroft



The meeting was called to order at 19:08

ROLL CALL & APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

On a Motion duly made, Seconded and Carried it was resolved to adopt the Agenda

On a Motion duly made, Seconded and Carried it was resolved to approve the minutes of LISA Interlock #2, February 3rd, 2026

LISA UPDATE (SB):

- End of Fall/Winter Season – Thanks to Peninsula for hosting District Cup, and JDF and Sooke for hosting U13 Full Field Festival
- WCL Currently Underway – Playdowns June 13th/14th
 - “A” Cup BCSA Provincials in Nanaimo – July 9th – 12th
- LISA has hired Mike Waters – [Kimmik consulting](#) to lead our strategic planning process
 - Will start with an online survey and potential interviews with member clubs
 - Board session early May
 - In-person planning session at the end of May (exact date TBC)
- LISA office currently working on our annual Rules Review
 - Small sided games rules updated with respect to Grassroots Standards and have been shared
 - Need to add season length, practice to match ratio's, playing time/rest/travel, coach education qualifications, update player groupings
 - New:
 - Kick-ins: Ball must be played below knee height)
 - Heading: U12 (only) on the bounce, U11 and below still full restrictions
 - Goal kicks: cannot kick or throw over half (retreat line when goalie makes a save)
 - Working with BCSA on additional section for BCSPSPL timelines and transfer rules
- City of Victoria – “Summer of Soccer”
 - Opportunity for activations during the World Cup downtown – Ship Point



- Use World Cup as opportunity to draw attention to youth soccer or member club
- If interested in supporting please reach out ASAP
- Have received a few requests for Spring Coaching Courses – Is there enough interest for us to try to run some?
 - Host – Bays
- LISA AGM – Preliminary date – August 12th or August 25th

RDO UPDATE:

- Referee courses – 90 new referees into the system during the last set of courses
- Coming this Sunday – Online and in-person Referee Education
 - Run by Joey Ratcliffe, focus on LISA game management
 - Supported by LISA and VISRA
- Referee Development Day #3 - August 30th
 - JDF hosting at Juan de Fuca field house/grass fields
 - 70 attendees, up from 50
 - Seeking support from Members (financially) - \$500.00
- AI has completed preliminary Referee rates review – trying to match provincial rates

Discussion Topics:

- Budget impact on clubs – Clubs looking at providing one AR per game? What is the fee impact on upcoming year?
- Opportunities to allow better scheduling of referees and AR's? *Boys and Girls on Separate Days – Division 1 (and 2)?*
 - *Seemingly supported by members in attendance – Division 1 already does this for the spring – can we implement in the fall?*
 - *Do we need more feedback?*
- LISA working on a mentorship manual and will have completed for RDD
- Referee Handbook nearly complete – aim to publish by end of month

Discussion Topic:

Community Funding – discussion stems from increasing costs (proposal to pay referees more) – is there an opportunity to seek public funding to support development costs for referees or club programming? Minimal funding received from BCSCA/CSA, can we explore private opportunities?

CANADA SOCCER GRASSROOTS STANDARDS



- Since last meeting:
 - LISA Board formally approved CSA Grassroots Standards as guiding principle for all play under U13
 - LISA met with TD's to discuss rules and regulations (circulated)
 - Weekly or bi-weekly information being shared with clubs in the form of Info-graphs, social media etc. all of which is posted on the LISA website
 - Need confirmation of format for U10:
 - *Confirmed:*
 - LISA to run separate tiered U10 and U11 interlock leagues.
 - Clubs have the option to participate fully, participate partially (select rotational teams, or run entirely in house)
 - Anything outstanding at the moment?
 - Still working on a Grassroots Guidebook – Rules and Explanations of Coaches and Parents – Aim to be ready for August
 - FAQ for the website? What are common questions?
 - Continue to produce info-graphs
 - Trial updated rules and regulations during the spring

Discussion:

- Who's responsible for application of Grassroots Standards for Spring Leagues?
- Are standards formally being applied or enforced?
 - No (club discretion)

COLLABORATIVE REGISTRATION PROCESS/TIMELINES

- Clubs had requested time to review and provide feedback from recommendation circulated in February
 - *Recommendation formally Supported*

BCSPL EFFECTIVENESS SURVEY

- LISA board has drafted and will be distributing BCSPL Effectiveness survey in the coming days



- Over the past year we have heard a number of complaints regarding PFC/BCSPL programming – We'd like to hear directly from you regarding your thoughts and feelings as to how the program is currently being run
- Will compile results and determine next steps – whether its engaging PFC, BCSA, or members for more information

2026-2027 SEASON DATES

- Document Circulated
 - Any questions or concerns?
 - Recommendation to have Full Field start September 19th/20th, Small Sided September 26th/27th
 - Can introduce Coach and Referee Education courses on September 12th/13th
- Looking for hosts for Festivals and Cup Finals (Tim Satterford Cup Finals, District Cup (Peninsula interested to do it again)
 - LISA festivals:
 - U8/U9 – Mid October
 - U10/11 – Late September
 - U12 – November
 - U13 Full Field – February/March

Discussion Topic:

- [Canada Future of Sport Commission](#)
 - Future implications for Volunteer run organisations
 - Recommend reviewing

CLUB REPORTS

JDF - Nothing to Report

SFFC - Spring Academy's underway, nothing to add

Gorge - Signed new lease agreement with District of Saanich

- Waiting on grant from Province to begin work on Esquimalt High turf field

WIA - Working on National Youth Club Licence



- 5 Players have signed professional contracts in Sweden

Peninsula - Spring season has started

- Club AGM upcoming, Board pushing for Volunteer Policy to be reinstated
- Private donor to pay for new playground at Blue Heron

Lakehill - Saanich has plans to fix washrooms at Braefoot, waiting on confirmation

- Spring registration is down, likely due to increase interest and conflict with Baseball

ADJOURNED: 20:56

Action Items:

- LISA to circulate Strategic Planning Survey - COMPLETE
- Al Moir to circulate Referee Rates Review Feedback - COMPLETE
- Stuart to circulate information regarding “Summer of Soccer” Activations - COMPLETE
- LISA and Bays United to confirm Spring Coaching Courses - COMPLETE
- LISA to circulate BC SPL Effectiveness Survey - COMPLETE