

GVSA AGM minutes – March 15, 2014 at Monsma Marketing

Meeting called to order at 12:04 by John Hall, president.

Board members present; John Hall, Bjorn Hanson, Jim Cisler, Lawrence Murray, Ken Lovell

Roll was taken by Jim Cisler, Registrar and a quorum was established with the following clubs represented:

Cadillac SC, Cats FC, GR Crew, Hastings FC, LASSO, MI Fire Juniors, Muskegon Lakers SC, PASS FC, Real Grand, Reeths-Puffer YSC, Thornapple Area SC, TNT Dynamite SC West, Tri Cities Strikers SC, USA, Vardar West.

Guests present: Darryl Rogers, Reggie Ricks, Adam Gustafson and Tim Davis

Motion made by Leon Tabler of Muskegon Lakers to accept previous minutes, seconded by Mike Panse of USA. Previous AGM minutes approved after correction of Ken Lovell as VP

**Reports:**

John Hall:

John encouraged all clubs to make sure they are communicating with us as a board.

John reminded everyone that the GVSA board members are unpaid positions and only the administrator receives a salary.

John handed out a letter (see attachment)

John Hall (on behalf of Jake Harmon):

John presented the P&L from November 2013 which was subsequent to the collection of the fall revenue. John recognized Jake for transitioning all of the GVSA accounting to Quick Books.

John Hall (on behalf of Sue Crabtree):

John presented the Admin. Report (2 pages, see attachment)

Ken Lovell (Vice President):

Ken recognized John and Sue for their contributions to GVSA.

Ken reminded everyone to contact him by mobile phone or email. Ken encouraged the clubs to help buffer issues.

Ken discussed card issues from the fall (players playing after being suspended, coaches playing with un-registered players, etc.).

Ken discussed poaching and is working on rule changes to ensure consistent penalties.

Ken wants to look at the forfeitures and add some bigger fines for teams who forfeit games to try and prevent forfeits in the future.

Ken reminded everyone that GVSA board meetings are open to everyone and the schedule can be found on the GVSA calendar.

**Respect Campaign:**

Bjorn and Lawrence discussed the Respect Campaign.

The respect campaign is voluntary; however, most clubs are compliant. The respect campaign is a proactive approach to help alleviate future issues. Referee arm bands will be mandatory starting in the spring of 2014.

**By Law and Rule revisions:**

See attached rule change that was approved during the meeting. Section C Players, Registration, Travel.

See attached By-law change that was discussed on Eligibility for Membership. The By-law did not pass as it was 23 votes for to 26 votes against so the boundaries will not be changed.

**Elections: (see attached sheet on candidates)**

4 board positions are open at this time. Elections were held and the following candidates were elected;

John Hall– President

Josh Sheldon – Secretary

Bjorn Hansen – At Large (44 votes)

Mike Panse – At Large (won election over Jeff Sweet 41 to 13 votes)

**Open Discussion:**

The floor was opened for discussion of any topics members wished to bring up. Items mentioned include, but were not limited to, GVSA fees, Captains wearing respect bands, automation of referee evaluations, field drawings and goal sizes.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45pm.

Submitted,  
Jim Cisler, Registrar