

GVSA board meeting minutes – January 4, 2010

Present: John Hall, Steve Manett, Ken Lovell, Erwin VanElst, Mark Van Slooten.

Dave Whitehouse-Administrator

Guest: Fabio Mendes (Flying Kick)

Meeting called to order by John Hall at 7:14.

Previous meeting minutes approved.

President's report: John mentioned a contact from Gil Urban requesting we consider a donation to USSF to fund an attempt to get the World Cup to the USA. Board members expressed no change from our previous decision not to donate.

Referee fees were brought up. It was decided to prepare something to present to member clubs at our AGM.

John has talked to Jack Wolfe about our referee issues. Jack is supportive of using qualified assignors and feels we should again remind clubs of this. An end of February time is being planned for a kick off meeting. Feb. 13 is a recert. class.

Treasurer's report – Dave passed on balances of \$45,004 checking and \$10,898 saving. Premier league fees are due.

VP report - no report.

Registrar report – no report.

Administrator's report- Dave said we are sponsoring 19 premier teams. Clubs represented are Crew, Rangers, TriCities, Ole, PASS, Flying Kick, Kentwood.

Dave is working with Brian Kastman (WMYSA) and has issued some preliminary divisions. Dave outlined the new risk management tracing procedure. In the future now pass cards will be issued to coaches unless their risk management card is current. Spring season dates are on the website.

New tryout dates for this spring have been announced by MSYSA. Now the second Saturday in June instead of June 15<sup>th</sup>. This presents a problem for us as we have league games to be scheduled on June 12/13. It was decided to schedule our league games for U8-U11 on Saturday and U12 and up on Sunday, therefore not interfering with premier tryouts on Saturday. GVSA tryouts can begin June 14 (Monday) with the first commitment date being June 16.

Other business:

Fabio Medes express his feelings regarding the ref assignor pay issue. He said he felt that he did not need to pay an assignor as he has at least one available that had served in the past and it was a GVSA directive to use Jeremy Ogg. He also informed Dave that the outstanding fine due to GVSA would be paid immediately in order to allow us to enter their premier team.

Some discussion was had regarding teams requesting to play up in the elite division. It was decided that in the future, if a team is requesting to play up an age group, they will not be placed in the elite division of that age group in their first season of play.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08.

Next meeting February 1, 2010.

Submitted,

Steve Manett, secretary