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Meeting Title: October Board meeting

MINUTES OCT 2, 2013 START: 5:30 PM LOCATION – BOARD ROOM

MEETING CALLED BY	Grant Emmond
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly Board Meeting
FACILITATOR	Grant Emmond
RECORDER	Len McNamara
ATTENDEES	Grant Emmond, Carmen Turnbull, Garry Neilson, Muhammad Rahman, Gilbert Wankling, Steve Raper, Steve Hood.

- Motion** to accept Agenda (Garry) **Carried**
- Motion** to approve minutes of meeting on September 4th with amendment: Indoor Facility Committee: Dustie, Garry, Gilbert, Rob, John B and Len (Carmen) **Carried**
- Business arising from previous minutes**
- ED reported capital spending items

Presentation – CLUB11 – Mario Mastroianni

CLUB11 members attended their first meeting on Wednesday, September 25th, at the PGYSA Indoor Facility. Members were brought together to decide how the proceeds from the first annual Score-a-thon would be distributed within our community.

Our first annual Score-a-thon generated \$13,000. 50% of the proceeds are to be reinvested in our community through organizations/programs focused on youth and the other 50% is retained by PGYSA. CLUB11 feels the Score-a-thon event will grow and provide an increasing amount of revenue in the future and would like to make the following recommendations to the PGYSA Board of Directors.

- PGYSA purchases a Soccer Mascot which can be used to promote the sport of soccer at community events throughout the year as well as be present at the fields during the soccer season and the Score-a-thon event. This would require \$4,000.
- The remaining \$9,000 to be distributed evenly (\$3,000 each) between three organizations: (i) Jumpstart; (ii) Northern BC Friends of Children; and (iii) Special Olympics BC/Prince George.

We hope the PGYSA Board of Directors will recognize that our recommendations are taking into consideration that this fund-raising event and CLUB11 are in their early stages of development

and decisions made at this time will play a significant role in our players “buying in” and ultimately providing greater successes in the future.

4. Staff Reports:

i) Len McNamara – Executive Director

Discussion	Report Submitted – Highlighted the fact that indoor registration numbers are down significantly at this point – will speak further to the discussion with UNBC later in the meeting.
Conclusion	
Action Items	
Person Responsible	

ii) Steve Hood – Technical Director

Discussion	Report submitted – Highlighted participation with U10 House League team, filling in for missing coach – coached a game and experimented with the “retreat” lines on goal kicks. Did a practical analysis with U12 Boys team. The plan is to introduce this concept at the House League and Future Stars level next season. I have been meeting with Andy Cameron from UNBC regarding a ‘development’ league that would include PGYSA players, UNBC players and players from the women’s league. This would be a 9 v. 9 games played at the NSC.
Conclusion	
Action Items	
Person Responsible	

5. New Business

i) 2013 AGM Date

Discussion	November 19 th – 6:30pm at CNC An advertisement needs to go into the paper. No new constitutional amendments at this time. Muhammad: We should carry over a list of “things to do” for the new Board.
Conclusion	
Action Items	Len to book CNC and advertise the AGM to members.
Person Responsible	

ii) Northern Sport Centre

Discussion	Steve H. – for the past two months we have been speaking of our frustration with trying to book times with the Northern Sport Centre. Nothing is being done. Steve R. – I know we have spoken about this for awhile and I have considerable correspondence from Virginia at the NSC. I can provide some of the historical information.
Conclusion	
Action Items	Len to draft a letter to NSCL requesting a meeting
Person Responsible	

iii) 2014 Outdoor Season Dates

Discussion	<p>Len - just a heads up that the new Board may need to consider this item of moving from our current May, June and September schedule to a May to July schedule.</p> <p>Steve H. – I’m close to finishing up my planning regarding a year round program and we need to focus on May to October when we control our own outdoor facility.</p> <p>Garry – we may need to look at trying new ways of proceeding.</p> <p>Grant – we need to consider the Select program, defining the parameters of Indoor and Outdoor seasons and how the Whitecaps programming is integrated.</p> <p>More discussion will take place with the new Board and once Steve H. has an overall plan.</p>
Conclusion	
Action Items	
Person Responsible	

iv) PGYSA Junior Timberwolves

Discussion	<p>Len – I met with Loralyn Murdoch, the UNBC Athletic Director. UNBC Athletics is looking to engage in the community with exposure of their brand as well as attracting more revenues. UNBC would like the Timberwolves logo and name associated with PGYSA players. There was also discussion regarding the two organizations working together on ‘special’ events and using UNBC coaches as PGYSA coach mentors. Further discussion will take place regarding this matter at future Board meetings.</p> <p>Steve R. – I like the idea but our brand is worth something and we shouldn’t just give it away.</p> <p>Garry – there is no branding with the current “Kodiaks” (CNC) and we should be looking at exploring this concept.</p> <p>Carmen – is there costs with changing from Kodiaks to Timberwolves.</p> <p>Len – we will investigate that but what we talked about would not affect our costs.</p>
Conclusion	
Action Items	Len to continue to discuss this item with UNBC
Person Responsible	

v) NCSSL letter

Discussion	Provided for information.
Conclusion	
Action Items	
Person Responsible	

6. Current Business:

i) CLUB11 (Presentation)

Discussion	<p>Steve R. – future MOU with CLUB11 should be developed – the charitable donations should go to access based programs – we need to advertise this</p> <p>Motion to accept recommendations as presented (Steve R.) Carried</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PGYSA purchases a Soccer Mascot which can be used to promote the sport of soccer at community events throughout the year as well as be present at the fields during the soccer season and the Score-a-thon event. This would require \$4,000. 2. The remaining \$9,000 to be distributed evenly (\$3,000 each) between three organizations: (i) Jumpstart; (ii) Northern BC Friends of Children; and (iii) Special Olympics BC/Prince George.
Conclusion	
Action Items	Len to contact Mario and proceed with recommendations.
Person Responsible	

ii) Whitecaps – Communications and process

Discussion	<p>Steve H. – the last couple of months have been very difficult in dealing with the Whitecaps programming, more specifically with the lack of communications – actually an absolute disaster. This has caused me to waste a lot of time. Speaking to Grant prior to our meeting here it looks as if a meeting can be arranged within the next couple of weeks (involving Steve H., Steve R., Grant, Sonny and Len). This partnership needs to have a structure and I think it should involve Sonny and myself.</p> <p>Garry – There should be a report from the Whitecaps to the Board at our monthly meetings.</p> <p>Steve H. – we need communication between the Whitecaps and PGYSA similar to my ongoing discussions with UNBC and Andy Cameron.</p> <p>Muhammad – I appreciate you bringing this forward and giving us a greater understanding of what is going on.</p> <p>Steve H. – I really want this to work but we need the communication.</p>
Conclusion	
Action Items	Grant to arrange meeting with Sonny, Steve H., Steve R., Len and himself
Person Responsible	

iii) Indoor Facility – Committee work

Discussion	<p>John B. brought this forward through email that this committee was developed and was wondering if any progress has been made.</p> <p>Len – Dustie was unable to be here this evening but she has highlighted this topic in her report and her priority is to get this underway in the near future.</p>
Conclusion	
Action Items	
Person Responsible	

7. Board and Committee Reports

-President's Report – we held the Annual Awards this past Monday at Esther's Inn. I thought this was an excellent format and the evening went very well.

I am also spending considerable time with the Whitecaps programming.

-Treasurer – Indoor registrations are down. We will be consulting our account once he does the year-end report regarding how we might invest our savings.

-Future Stars Report – no report

-Referee and Discipline Report – as submitted. The board discussed the report and it looks as if youth referees are being considered to do Men's League games – we need to consult BC Soccer for direction on this – Len to contact BC Soccer.

-Fields and Equipment – no report

-Projects - haven't been in town much over the past few months. I know we have some issues regarding the Whitecaps and it looks as if a future meeting can clarify some of the problems. I don't anticipate that I will have much time in the near future that I can follow up with the indoor facility question and therefore happy to pass things off to the committee. When I was in Ft. St. John and happened to come in contact with a member of the Ft. St. John soccer association. I just wanted to let the Board know that their community has heard of the Whitecaps and other programming that PGYSA is engaging.

- Communications/9-12 year olds – there was an issue regarding a female playing as a substitute player in a game as well as a coach approaching a referee. Len spoke directly to the parent who brought the issue forward as well as spoke with both coaches. All parties were provided PGYSA procedures regarding this issue and it looks as if all parties are satisfied.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00pm (Carmen) Carried.

Dates: Next Board Meeting Wednesday, November 6th, 5:30pm