

M.I.W.S.L. Executive Meeting
Monday June 19, 2023

Meeting started 7:02pm

1. Welcome

2. Introduction (roll call)- Danielle

Executives:

President: Danielle Hooglan (Kickers)

- Has been president for the last two years.
- Who wants to be president? Ladies should put some thought into the role as president of the league. She would like to work alongside a lady this season, who is interested in taking over the role.

Vice President/Secretary: Launi Jorgensen (Wheaty's)

- Has been VP for a year now but looking for a new replacement for my role as VP as I have to step down.

Registrar: Charlotte Philp (Nanaimo)

Treasurer: Karen Guignan (Kickers)

- Has been treasurer for over a year

Scheduler/Public Relations (social media presence and stat keeper): Joy Braun (Oceanside)

Team voters:

According to our by-laws, only one member can vote to represent their team but cannot be part of the executive.

Shooters- Claire

Kickers- Catherine

Campbell River- Krista

Oceanside- Linda

Port Alberni- Tiana

Nanaimo- Brittany

Wheatys- Emily

3. Adopt Agenda- Danielle

- Moving from executive reports to the important pieces of new business and everyone was in agreement of moving around the agenda.
- If needed we can have another meeting to discuss important business.
- Does anyone disagree- none
- Any additions to the agenda- none

4. Executive reports

a) President - Danielle

- We had a great year
- Tournament hosted by Oceanside was a success.

b) Treasurer- Karen

- MIWSL is in good financial standing
- A decent balance in the bank. Any plans for some of the money?
- Maybe consider some type of financial support for those who struggle to pay to play? Definitely something to discuss at a later meeting.
- Displayed Synoptic Table showing what each team paid for the 2022-2023 season
- Was there any bill sent out from BC Soccer for late registrations? League has not received one yet.

c) Scheduler- Joy

- Pretty good season for games played. Only had some cancellations.
- Working on not having teams travel so many times in a row
- Majority of the teams did a good job getting their game reports in
- In regards to social media, there has been some glitches with updating
- Some changes for this season, with game reports league is asking for a MVP of the opposing team as well as any notes of the game such as referees, or games out of control, and summary off matches
- Prize for most valuable player at year end tournament

d) Registrar- Char

- 175 Registered players for the 2022-2023 season
- Most signed on time with only 8 late registrations
- BC Soccer has updated the format on how to upload registered players
- Biggest concern in regards to registering players was formatting and including all required information
- Any registrations after September are considered as a late registration
- Have another meeting late August to address the registration process so teams have a better understanding
- There's a discussion in regards to including a code of conduct when registration to ensure appropriate conduct on the soccer field

- Can we impose our own age restrictions within our league
- We are a recreational adults league that is inclusive and accessible for all
- Players need to be aware and understand the BC

5. Elections- Danielle

- Teams get a 3 year grace period before they must participate in one of the executive roles
- There are 3 roles to fill for this upcoming 2023-2024 season. Vice President, Treasurer, and “member at large” (possibly find a better name for this role)
- The league is looking for our 2 year commitment in each role
- Would be beneficial for member taking Vice President role be trained into President role for the following season to learn, practice and understand
- There is a \$250 administration fee if a team is not represented on the executive
- Tiana Bryant from Port Alberni was nominated for Vice President
- Emily Waes from Nanaimo Wheaty’s was nominated for Vice President
- Danielle nominated to change bylaw to a 2 year executive commitment in each role
- Diane Vandergrift nominated for treasurer
- Danille delegated Tiana as Vice President and Emily Waes as “Memeber at Large”
- New executive
 President- Danielle Hoogan
 Vice President- Tiana Bryant
 Registrar- Charlotte Phillips
 Treasurer- Diane Vandergrift
 Scheduler- Joy Braun
 “Member at Large”- Emily Waes

6. New Business- Danielle

a) Campbell River request

- Request from Campbell River to be entered into the league which would bring MIWSL to 8 teams
- Kickers will lose their Campbell River players
- Voiced concerns of the skill level considering this is a recreational league. Will they be stacked??
- Will there be enough girls to play would hate to see cancellations due to lack of numbers
- No one rejects the Campbell River team joining MIWSL so welcome new Campbell River team!!
- Any community is welcome to request to join ut must do so by August 1st

b) League fees

- Same as last year, \$200 per team plus \$50 per team for BC Soccer and \$34 per player for insurance

c) Start and end dates

- Games are scheduled on Sundays
- Start date is September 10, 2023 to December 10th which is last game before winter break
- January 7th, 2024 we return to game play until our last game March 10th 2024

d) Tournament date and location

- Date of tournament will be Saturday March 16th, 2024
- Some chatter about moving to the last weekend in March to make room for make-up games as well as Spring break conflicts. Tricky with busy family schedules
- Port Alberni and Nanaimo Thrive are due to host year end tournament
- Nanaimo Thrive stepped up and are hosting our year end tourney

e) Jewelry

- Piercings and location on the body
- Referees are quite forgiving
- Ross head referee in Nanaimo suggested if we want them to be lenient, our league must have a safe rule in place
- Clear guidelines from the league are key
- Suggestions like taping or covering
- Executive must create the language around this
- Port Alberni referee is quite strict with jewelry and it must be taken off but if the league has rules around this he may be lenient with it
- Chat more about this at next meeting

7. Constitutional and by-law amendment

- ★ As a league we need to take a look at this and change it for the better so there is more clarity
- ★ Would be beneficial to have the ability to amend by-laws at general meetings throughout the year
- ★ Taking a look at Article 12: Amendment

a) Minimum age requirements

- What is an appropriate age a player needs to be to play in MIWSL
- 17 years of age would be a good age with allowance of 2 under 17 years of age
- With the concern of injury and MIWSL is a women's league anything younger is just too young and unsafe

b) Spirit Scores

- Want to add spirit scores with reporting to keep things positive

- We expect very positive conduct on the field
 - c) Recording incidences**
- Find a way to record incidents, definitely something we need to leave and think about moving forward
- Code of conduct. Create a language from all the teams in the league on how it should look

8. Adjournment- Danielle @ 9:02 PM