

MMS General Membership Meeting

Wednesday October 23, 2013

Present: Rick Sadler, Melinda Sadler, Tim Wilton, Mills Farmus, Carrie Russell, Kim Wilson

Regrets: Gordon Johnston, Dani Canfield, Rumi Farmus

Guest: Luanne Weishar (SRWSA)

Item	Discussion	Action
Call to Order	Meeting Called to order @7:30 pm	
Introductions		
Previous Meeting Minutes	<p>MOTION by Mils, Second by Carrie to adopt the minutes from the last Executive/GMM Meeting</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	
Treasurers Report	<p>Bank Balance is approx.. \$22 000</p> <p>MOTION by Carrie, Second by Tim Wilton to accept the treasurers report as presented. CARRIED</p> <p>Full Treasurers Report is available upon request</p>	
Field Update	<p>We were notified in September 2013 the golf course property had been sold, effective October 7th. We had to clear out all of nets, the shed and equipment. Mils and Rick attended Grey Highlands Council and have requested that they assist us with trying to secure the approximately 10 acres of County land, located behind the Municipal Offices in Markdale. The goal is to secure the land and develop both the U6/U8 Mini fields and the new required U12 ¾ field in time for the 2014 soccer season. This may be unrealistic so we need to have some back-up plans...we are optimistic that we may be able to secure the golf course land for one more season in 2014, taking some of the pressure off of us. We may be able to just make 4 mini fields and the new required 60 X 80 U12 field all at the golf course but we have not received approval for that at this time. The last ditch plan would be to play across our U10 fields for 2014, which would give us 4 U6/U8 fields and get us through next season until a long term plan can be made. This would still require us to develop the land at the back of the Chapman's Soccer Complex for the U12 field. The estimate would be in the \$6,000.00 to \$8,000.00 range, considering the cost of the construction, top soil, sod, etc. More meetings and discussions are planned. It will be an ongoing issue and is our number 1 priority over the winter, to secure enough fields to play on.</p>	
Lakeshore Soccer League	<p>We had 7 teams participating in the Lakeshore Soccer League in 2013. All of our teams were competitive and the Girls Under 12 and the Girls Under 16 teams won gold medals, the Under 14 Boys won Silver and the Under 20 Boys won bronze. The off field stuff was very concerning, there were a lot of issues this season with the way that the league was operated...the website did not work all season long, the cup draw did not go as planned, meetings did not happen, there was very little communication from the Executive and it was generally a very frustrating season from a Management point of view. The soccer was fine, the refereeing was fine, etc. but there will have to be changes for next year so that things run much smoother.</p> <p>Next Lakeshore Meeting to be in Dec 2013</p>	

Intercounty County Soccer League	We entered 2 - U8 travel teams, 2 - U10 travel teams and 2 co-ed U12 teams into the I.C.S.L. This was a new league that we formed with Mt. Forest, Hanover and Durham. It ran very well, it was a bit awkward because both Durham and Hanover decided at the last minute to put all of their house league teams into the league, creating a much larger pool of teams than was planned and created a competitive imbalance. This will be addressed along with the field issues, (ie. Not all teams had proper size fields and nets, etc. making the experience less than stellar when we travelled...) All of our teams were competitive in all age groups.	
SWRSA District Board	Luanne Weishar from the SWRSA District Board gave a brief overview of the importance of SWRSA representation at local soccer association meetings. There is an increase in the presence and involvement of SWRSA at the local level. lweishar@rogers.com	MMS requested a check list of requirements for coaches training for the 2014 season
Coaches	This is going to be a very important aspect of our season. With the O.S.A. implementing the L.T.P.D. changes for 2014 we are going to need to train our coaches more than ever before. When Owen Sound cancelled that clinic last minute, that really hurt us. We had 11 more coaches ready to go and they never found other clinics. Rick will be follow up with the O.S.A. about us or the Lakeshore Soccer League hosting a clinic or two as there will literally be hundreds of coaches from our area/program that will need to take a course. <u>Rick to follow up with the OSA regarding coaching requirements for the 2014 season</u>	Table
Projected Capital Projects for 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soccer Fields • Advanced Field Sprayer (\$4000-\$8000) • Back Stops North and South ends of Chapmans 'B' (\$4000) • New nets for new U12 field (\$3000) <p>Contact Jennifer Granger regarding Trillium Grant Application jgranger@soccer.on.ca</p>	Table
Executive Elections for 2014 Season	President: Rick Sadler Vice President: Mils Farmus Treasurer: Carrie Russell Secretary: Melinda Sadler Registrar-Director: Kim Wilson Field Advisor-Director: Tim Wilton Referee in Chief-Director: Gordon Johnston Youth Program Director: Rumi Farmus Committees Director: Dani Canfield Web Master: Carey Meyers Soccer Operations Sub-Committee: Rick Sadler, Gordon Johnston, Mils Farmus	
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