

2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Saturday January 11, 2014

Roll Call

Roll Call taken of all members signed in and present at 10:30am - 14 Present

Also present was Club Manager Pat Leonard

Period of Remembrance

Moment of Silence in Memory of all OMSC families who had a loss during the 2012-13 year.

Approval of Minutes from 2012 AGM

Motion to accept by Chris Widdop and Seconded by BJ Walker. PASSED

President's Address - Peter Mortson

Peter Presented a written combined President's report and Travel Team Director's Report:

Welcome All,

Thank you all for attending the OMSC AGM. This is the first year of my current 2 year term and my second year as Club President. It has been a successful year of OMSC and our registrations and player development are a testament to that. I would like to take the time to thank our Club Administrator for her outstanding efforts over the past year and a half. Pat had done wonders for our organization both as our face at the office and around the community. I would also like to thank the members of both the executive and operating committee for some excellent work this past year. OMSC continues to grow and strengthen its member base from season to season. The countless hours of behind the scenes efforts by our Board members has brought confidence that the returning members and new members of the Board will continue their hard work and efforts.

This past year we saw the LTPD program come closely into full effect and with the upcoming season soccer in Ontario will be fully integrated into the LTPD program. What does that mean for OMSC? First the additional of a mid-sized field for our U11/12 group had to be found. OMSC was able to work closely with the Athletics and the town to split Rotary Park into 2 fields for this purpose. On behalf of OMSC, I want to thank the Athletics for working with us to maximize Rotary Park Field over the course of the season. The second big part of the new program was the implementation of the "No Scores, No Standings" philosophy for the U9 to U12. OMSC implanted this in our house league divisions up to U12 along with the Rep Program. Our only divergence came at closing weekend where we continued our tradition of League Championship games. The LTPD program will now include travel limitations on our Rep teams during the coming years. The program also calls for change from Tournaments to Festivals. This has been a challenging pint for many clubs and ours is no different. With this

new shift in format comes a shift in philosophy from a winning mentality to a development mentality. This coming season we will work hard at providing more structure and support to our development programs and our Club Coaches.

In looking at the Rep program we had 13 teams registered in SWRSL and will have 14 registered for the upcoming season. We had 3 U8 teams that traveled to several festivals over the summer including the U8 festival OMSC hosted in July. I have received several encouraging remarks about our U8 development program from several other club's and SWRSL personnel. We worked hard to bring all U8 players together for practices this past summer and were successful with the girls. Our boys program is a work in progress and will be a large focus this summer.

It is difficult to judge the success of the program on wins/losses or league championships now that this has been removed from the equation for the U8-U12. I can say that over the last 2 years our number of kids and teams in the program is increasing. Our challenge this year will be to maintain those numbers through solid development and Club assisted programs. This past year saw the implementation of a Technical Director Committee, which was charged with outlining the clubs technical needs and affordability and then the possibility of hiring a Technical Director. The committee is still in the planning stages but has pushed the focus of the club on Coach mentoring and skill development. They continue to work on bringing in personnel to fill these roles while maintaining a reasonable cost to the club.

I am confident that we will continue to build on our improvements to the Club and the Rep program over the coming year. I will continue to mentor the incoming Travel Team Director while filling the role of Club President. It has been a great year and I look forward to continuing as the Club President in 2014.

Peter also verbally expanded on his written report. He added his thanks to Keith with his help with the field maintenance and to Laura Horn for all her hard work in obtaining Sponsorships for the club.

Peter also noted that the price for the Rep program over the last 4 years has remained fairly stable. The increase in 2014 was due to increased uniform costs, attempting to get better fields for practicing and assist the teams with player development.

Peter advised that the Director of Financial Operations, Anthony Irwin, was just arriving so we would do the Director of Financial Operations Report after the Board of Directors Reports.

Board of Directors Reports

Director at Large - Chris Widdop

The contract for our Uniforms expired. Chris has been working on obtaining a new contract. He met with potential suppliers and Inaria was the best price. They are now part of Bauer and have improved turnaround time for uniform orders. They did supply a proposal that the Board requested changes to. They have agreed to the changes, but no contract has yet been signed. Chris is also working on acquiring additional new nets for ODSS.

Laura Horn asked if we had a good second choice for our uniforms if the contract with Inaria did not work out. Chris advised that they meet with approx 6 suppliers, but many options are available. The cost is the main reason he is working with Inaria.

Director of Communications & Special Events - Gus Rodrigues

The club is now working more with the social media - Facebook & Twitter - over the last year. Stormfront was the only major event that the club held, but it was a struggle due to the LTPD. As some clubs were embracing the LTPD and others not, we did not get the registration numbers and had to cancel some divisions. The tournament did go well for the teams that did take part.

Laura Horn thanked Stephen Leonard for all his hard work on the new website. Peter Mortson advised that the new website layout was provided free to the club by PowerUp. Shan Robertson advised that the new layout was much easier to navigate.

Vice President - Chris Goulard

Discipline has been an issue throughout soccer over the last year. There were increased number of discipline cases both in Rep and House League this year, involving both physical and verbal assaults, including criminal charges in one case. These issues not only include players, but parents and spectators as well. Chris advised that the club needs to encourage reporting of problems at the field to improve the game play for everyone involved.

Director of Indoor House League- Kris Deshaies

The Indoor registration was very good with the exception of the U14 division. Kris advised that they have had to allow some of the U12 division to stay and play with the U14 division due to the low numbers. Not much rebalancing was required this year for any of the teams.

He has recently hired a person to oversee the dome activities and get the games started on time in the mornings.

Anthony Irwin arrived.

Peter Mortson mentioned that they now have some development time for the U8 & U10 divisions. Each division uses the extra time every other week.

Director of Outdoor House League - BJ Walker

BJ advised that the outdoor registration numbers were up this year. Due to this, he was able to split the U12 and U14 girls into their own divisions. Permanent nets were put at PEPS and ODSS, with more to come this year. A coach's appreciation dinner was held again this year to thank all the coaches for their time. Most of the Conveners positions were filled this year that was very helpful to him in running a successful outdoor season.

Director of Financial Operations Report - Anthony Irwin

Anthony advised that he did not have much to report as the auditor would be presenting the financial information to the club. He advised he will take questions and discuss some issues after she gives her report.

Auditor's Report - Cathy Campbell

Auditor's Report - Cathy advised that 2013 was the first year for the New Accounting Standards were in effect for Not for Profit organizations. Under the new standards her report is both for the 2012 and 2013 years. Cathy gave an overview of the auditor's report, and advised that she had found no issues with the audit and it is a clean opinion.

Statement of Financial Position - Cathy gave an overview of the Statement of the Financial Position of the club. She did note that the receivables had an allowance for approximately \$500 of bad debt, but most were collected prior to the completion of the audit.

Statement of Operations - Cathy gave an overview of the Statement of the Financial Position of the club, noting that the lower registrations were mainly for Indoor 2013 and Stormfront registration was lower due to the effect of the LTPD that was mentioned by Gus Rodrigues in the Director of Communications report. The expenses were also lower due to use of Inventory awards and uniforms in 2013, a new photography contract that included the cost of sponsor plaques and lower referee payments for Stormfront due to the decreased number of games.

Statement of Cash Flows - Shows where the money comes in and where it goes. Cathy did note that the GIC was renewed during the year and decreased the cash in the bank account.

Notes to the Financial Statements - Cathy gave an overview of the Notes to the Financial Statements.

Blair Donnelly arrived.

Anthony Irwin asked if there were any questions for Cathy on the audit.

Motion to accept the Auditors Report by Anthony Irwin and Seconded by Chris Widdop.
PASSED.

Appointment of Auditors

Motion to appoint Cathy Campbell the auditor for next year by Chris Widdop and Seconded by BJ Walker. PASSED.

Anthony advised that the Board works very hard to keep costs as low as possible, and still maintain the experience for the kids on the field.

Old Business

Peter Mortson updated the membership on the Old Business from the 2012 AGM.

Land Acquisition - A committee has just been approved by the Board. Anthony Irwin is the head of the committee and will be sending out a message to the membership to get assistance with this. The committee will be determining if it is feasible to proceed with this, and the options that are available.

Brown's Farm - The Town is still working on this, and as far as we are aware they are looking to put in 2 soccer fields.

Stormfront - Due to the effect that the LTPD had on Stormfront in 2013, the board has decided not to run Stormfront in 2014. The teams that had the highest registration in the past are the teams that are unable to travel at this time. The Board will determine the feasibility of Stormfront for future years.

New Fields - Last year Keith had advised it was possible that some new fields might become available with an undisclosed person. Keith updated the membership that this was no longer going to happen.

New Business

Outdoor Playing Nights - U6 Boys - Gus Rodrigues presented on behalf of Thomas Witte that we attempt to change the U6 Boys from Monday night as lacrosse is playing the same night for the same division. BJ advised that he would look into this possibility. Peter Mortson suggested that the Club would try to contact other organizations to try and ensure that game nights for different sports do not fall on the same night.

Break

Cathy Campbell leaves.

Roll Call - 16 voting members present

Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws

1 - Peter Mortson - December 27, 2013

I would like to submit the following constitutional amendment:

I propose we add the following position - field maintenance co-ordinator.

The position would fall under the following section of the constitution:

Article 5: Management Structure

In additions the following members of the Board of Directors shall be non-voting positions:

1. Club Manager
2. Immediate Past President
3. Field Maintenance Co-ordinator

I propose the following amendment to the Field Scheduling Co-ordinator:

Duties of the Operating Committee - Field Scheduling Co-ordinator Currently Reads -

- Develop, organize, administer and manage all issues related to scheduling and maintenance of fields
- Perform such duties as be delegated by the President and/or Board of Directors

Proposed Amendment -

- Develop, organize, administer and manage all issues related to scheduling of fields for **OMSC's Rep and House League programs**
- Perform such duties as be delegated by the President and/or Board of Directors

I propose the following amendment to the Field Maintenance Co-ordinator:

Proposed Amendment to Duties of the Directors - Field Maintenance Co-ordinator

- **Maintain the lines for all fields used by OMSC during the course of the year**
- **Maintain the netting for all goals used by OMSC during the course of the year**
- **Perform these duties under the direction of the Field Scheduling Co-ordinator and/or Board of Directors**

Paid position as governed by the Constitution

Peter Mortson advised that the purpose of this amendment was to separate the Field Scheduling from the Field Maintenance as the Field Maintenance is a paid position that should be quoted to the Board, and not required to be at the Board Meetings.

Chris Goulard questioned placing a paid position as a board member as it is illegal to pay board members. Anthony clarified that the Act is that no voting member shall be paid, and these positions would be listed as Non-Voting.

Chris Deckert asked why the Head Referee would not also be listed the same way. Peter advised that he did not think of that, but it should be as well but the difference is that the Head Referee is paid an honorarium by the Board. Chris Goulard thought that the Head Referee was changed to a paid position by the membership at a past AGM. Pat Leonard confirmed that this was an amendment that was passed by the membership at a past AGM, but the amendments from that AGM were not posted as per the constitution so were all not constitutional. Peter Mortson confirmed that the Board had since been giving an honorarium to the Head Referee.

Chris Goulard motioned that we amend the amendment to move the Referee in Chief from the Operating Committee to the Board of Directors, non-voting positions. Jason Leonard asked if the Duties of the Referee in Chief should also be moved to the Duties of the Directors. Chris Goulard added this to the amendment. Seconded by Anthony Irwin. PASSED .

Gus Rodrigues motioned to accept the amended amendment. Seconded by Peter Mortson. PASSED.

Peter Mortson announced that the Board, with the exception of himself, Anthony Irwin, BJ Walker and Chris Widdop was absolved.

Election of the Board of Directors & Operating Committee

Nominations for Board of Directors

Vice-President - Gus Rodrigues (accepted); Chris Goulard (declined)

Elected Gus Rodrigues

Director of Travel Teams - Bill McBride (accepted)

Elected Bill McBride

Director of Indoor House League - Kris Deshaies (accepted)

Elected Kris Deshaies

Director of Communications & Special Events - Shan Robertson (accepted); Blair Donnelly (accepted); Anne Moggy (declined)

Elected Shan Robertson

Motion to destroy the ballots by Peter Mortson Seconded by Chris Goulard. PASSED.

Nominations for Operating Committee

Sponsorship Coordinator - Laura Horn (accepted). Elected.

Equipment Manager - Blair Donnelly (declined) - Vacant

Field Scheduling - Keith Robins (accepted). Elected.

Head Coach - James Cuthbertson (accepted). Elected.

Convenor - Tiny Tots - Vacant

Convenor - U6 - Vacant

Convenor - U8 - Blair Donnelly (accepted). Elected.

Convenor - U10 - Anne Moggy (accepted). Elected.

Convenor - U12 - Vacant

Convenor - U14 - Vacant

Convenor - U18 - Vacant

Motion to adjourn by Peter Mortson Seconded by Chris Widdop. PASSED.