



**Richmond FC Monthly Meeting
October 21, 2019**

Present: Rein Weber, Steve Hood, Mike Fletcher, Terry Dowle, Indie Sahota, Cristina Carvalheiro-Nunes, Prit Lidder, Eric Trumbull, Mark Fletcher, Carlos Carvalheiro-Nunes, Mike Biddlecombe, Jennifer Niemi, Mark Ellens, Fred Weil, Chris Parry, Tania Webster (recorder)

Regrets: Volker Helmuth, Dan Brodie, Emad Ghashghaee

Meeting called to order at 640pm

Motion to go in-camera

Motion to go out-of-camera

Treasurer Report:

September Financial statements were circulated in advance of the meeting for director review. There were no questions on the financials.

Motion:

Eric Trumbull moved and Mike Biddlecombe seconded that the September financial statements be approved as circulated.

Carried

Technical Director Report:

BCCSL moved U15 Metro down to U15 Division 1 A. Had a meeting with the parents to provide update will continue training per the norm. U12 Div 1 A was moved down to U12 Div 1 B which will affect the fluid roster because now have two teams in U12 Div 1 B. The league seemed to be more in control of the realignments without much club input.

Thanksgiving Tournament and U9/U10 Festival on Monday was a lot of fun and went well. Look to do another U9/U10 Festival.

Thanksgiving results - Congratulations to the U16 Division 2 Hotspur who were runner-up in their division. And to the U18 Division 2 Strikers who won their division!

Active Start and fundamentals classroom sessions. First round was October 20. Hopefully capture everyone else at November 3 session.

Finishing up application for Canada Youth License.

Strategic Planning:

Round two of brainstorming with Mark took place two weeks ago to address enrollment. Why do kids not choose soccer as their “sport”? Why do kids quit soccer? How to encourage Chinese population to join club? Possibly looking at doing a survey out to players who have not returned – see if results are in line with provincial and national surveys on youth sports enrolment decline. Revisit marketing plans/strategies. Better understanding of the Chinese market. Mark to create exit survey.

New Business:

Richmond Sports Council/Richmond Sports Awards – Mike Fletcher will be chairing this event. Would like to see more nominations from Richmond FC – teams, players.

Kidsport banquet – beginning of March, will look to purchase a table.

Concussion Protocol- head check app. Have documented 6 suspected concussions on U15 Div 1 A team. Discussion about the value of the tool. A lot of the follow-up on care of player lies in the hands of the parents all of which cost money – letter from doctor, concussion test, etc.... Especially with no baseline to compare. Team will continue using App and documenting and taking notes. Will get a good data set and then have a presentation to the board.

Player/Parent Code of Conduct form – revisited bringing back the paper form that each player and each parent must sign (rather than online version within the registration form) and turn back in to team manager. Bring back accountability for behaviour and be able to revisit signed conduct form. For next board meeting.

Motion:

Carlos Carvalheiro-Nunes moved and Terry Dowle seconded to approve the 17 Out of District players registered with Richmond FC for the 2019/2020 season.

Carried

Hudl – U15 Div 1 A team is piloting this and would like to share for feedback and possible for whole club. Team parent currently does videoing. Good tool for player feedback – \$30 per game for the professional analysis and report for each player. Needs further discussion for club in terms of cost and video capabilities.

Meeting adjourned: 9:00pm