

MINUTES OF THE VANCOUVER AREA SOCCER REFEREES ASSOCIATION

Held: Monday, May 25, 2009 at South Burnaby Metro Club, Burnaby, B.C.

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Call to order: 7:18 p.m.

GUESTS WELCOMED: Neil Ellett

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED: Henri Bouwens

ADOPT AGENDA: On motion by Elvio Chies, seconded by Nick Hawley, M/S/C

MINUTES OF April 27, 2009 MEETING: Minutes of the April 2009 meeting were previously circulated by email and were adopted on a motion by Nick Hawley, seconded by Sandro Girardi, M/S/C.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

- As a result of the presentation and a call for donations some items had been brought in for Tanzania. Marc Bowley called on members to donate more of their old or unused kit. Richard Brownie pointed out people could also donate some of their unused / surplus Beach Blast uniforms. Bring in items next meeting for Tanzania!

EDUCATION: Gord Rogers did a presentation regarding penalty kicks:

- Discussed the techniques and tips for handling penalty kicks. Discussed also playing advantage when you have a penalty kick situation. The bottom line there is to be very sure it will be a goal in order to play an advantage as usually there is no advantage and teams would prefer to take the penalty kick.
- Gord presented a FIFA video on penalty kicks, reviewed penalty kick procedure and referee positioning.
- Gord also had some vintage pictures of old time games and some penalty kicks. We also played a video and discussed penalty kicks used to decide the winner of a match.
- There were numerous questions that arose and the meeting thanked Gord for his presentation.

LEAGUE ITEMS: Marc Bowley raised for Metro Women's Soccer League complaints from some teams that others are getting away with taping jewelry. No jewelry allowed!

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ron Schaeffer advised our current account situation was: Chequing Account \$6,045.94 and GICs \$5,500.00.

REFEREE ASSOCIATED REPORTS

BCSRA EXECUTIVE:

- Elvio Chies expressed his thanks to all who attended the 40th Anniversary Annual General Meeting. Six founding members were able to attend. Special thanks to Robin Woods and Richard Brownley for their efforts. The newest Executive Member is Vice-President Nick Hawley from VASRA. Congratulations to Nick. And the 604's won the soccer game (unfortunately by default).

CSA REFEREE COMMITTEE: No Report.

BC SOCCER REFEREE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: José Branco reported as follows:

- Congratulations to Bill McNaughton, Candice Brown, Josh Miller, Phil Menard and Darnell Smith who completed the Provincial CSA Course in May and are promoted to Provincial Referees.
- This past weekend involved the Regional Referee Clinic. Twenty-seven people attended at Burnaby Central. It included a fitness test, field work, and classroom work.
- BeachBlast is occurring on August 8 and 9 but unfortunately the Instructor/Assessor Symposium which was to be held a week later has been bumped to the same date. Accordingly, José called for referees to help out at BeachBlast.
- The USL Premier Development League (PDL) is now active in Vancouver, Abbotsford and Victoria. In Victoria they had 2,500 fans out for the first game (Victoria v. Abbotsford). BCSA are assigning referees for these games.
- There was a question about counterfeit CSA CANADA Referee badges. Apparently some are circulating but this appears to be in Eastern Canada only.

NEW BUSINESS:

- José Fraguas has again organized the referee recreational soccer matches for Thursday nights at Burnaby 8Rinks field (#2 or 3), the kick off each Thursday to June 25 is at 7:00 p.m., come out and have some fun.
- BeachBlast: Mark Bowley announced it was time to get signed up for BeachBlast. We will need help for this year. This is our major fundraiser. It takes place August 7, 8 and 9. Friday, August 7 are kid's games and we try to get younger referees to do them. Referees will be needed August 8 and 9 particularly because the Instructor/Assessor Symposium has been moved to the same dates and the Police & Fire Games are on at the same time as well. Please contact Mark to sign up (contact information at the top of these Minutes).
- A reminder, as indicated above in Business Arising, to bring in more ref gear to ship to Tanzania. June 29 is the last meeting to do so, then the shipment goes out.

The 50/50 raffle was held and the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD: MONDAY, June 29, 2009 @ 7:00 P.M.
AT THE SOUTH BURNABY METRO CLUB