

**Minutes of the VASSL Executive Committee
held
August 2, 2022 at 12:00pm – ANAF**

In Attendance: Mark Moger – President
Jim Sisson – Treasurer
Kim Wallace – Vice President & Secretary
Cathy Pachmann – Team Representative - Salmon Arm
Rocky – Team Representative - OVCMT
Betty – Observer – OVCMT
Mel Donhauser – Team Representative – Coyotes
Steve Feedham – Team Representative – Old Goats
Gord Mann- Team Representative – Spitfires

Mark thanked Steve and Cathy for their years of service with the Executive and as Team Representatives. Cathy advised Jack will be the contact for Salmon Arm next season. Steve has secured a Team Representative for the Old Goats.

1. Finances

Jim and Mark presented the account is in good standing. The year-end luncheon will be approximately \$2,000 with \$720 received from the teams for guests. Approximately 90 will be in attendance.

2, 3 & 4. Year-End Banquet

The menu has been finalized and given to Jim Chapman. Aug. 11/22 is the cut-off for the final number of attendees from the teams and payment sent to Jim Sisson.

5 & 6. Year-End Tournament

Games are posted and start times will remain at 9:00am and 11:30am. Teams that have a Bye will provide 2 Umps for the games.

It was suggested by Mark to have a food truck at the Aug, 23, 24th games, however, it is too late in the season to research and get permits from the City of Vernon. Cathy suggested for the 2023 season, a different food truck be set up at the DND each week.

7. Door Prizes for Year-end Banquet

Collection of door prizes is going well. Mark has received free SPN swag, pens from John Erickson and prizes from the Coyotes. Door prizes must be given to Mark no later than Aug. 23/22.

It was suggested by Gord that the league do a pre-draw for the door prizes and post the winning tickets on a board to speed up the process. If people do not care for their prize, they could trade.

Steve suggested a couple of runners to deliver the door prizes. Meeting attendees voted on runners.

8. League Logo

Kim presented the 3 drawings and they were distributed to the Executive and Team Representatives. Cathy had the Executive and Reps. sign on the drawing they preferred. One of the logos was approved (4 to 1).

9. League Website

Mel advised Don Williams has been approached to design the website as he did the Coyotes website years ago. Don had a couple of questions; is the organization registered? It is not. Do we want on-line store purchase membership? Not at this time. Cost to the league for maintenance/updates would be minimal.

Mel to pole the Coyote players about merging the VASSL website with the Coyotes website or keeping 2 separate websites.

10. Ball Caps

Steve received a quote from Sun Valley Sports at a cost of \$35 (one time set-up for digitizing) and \$17 + taxes for a decent cap. Steve brought to the attention of the meeting participants, that using the logo chosen earlier in the meeting, VASSL will not stand out on the ball cap. It was suggested by Cathy that Steve go back to Sun Valley Sports and have them design a bat with VASSL imprinted on the bat and to choose a ball cap color (grey was the majority color).

As Al from OVCMT was not available, we could not review his quote, however, Jim mentioned we should allow Al the opportunity to present his quote from Hi-Pro. Steve knows the staff at Hi-Pro and will be stopping in. Steve will make the choice based on the quotes, on which business will order and print the ball caps.

It was suggested that a dozen ball caps be ordered and given out at the beginning of the next season (i.e., MVP, play of the game etc.) then the league would start selling them at \$20 per cap. Cost for the initial dozen caps would be approximately \$225 which the league will pay. Cathy put this to a vote and Jim seconded. Motion carried.

11. Constitution

Mark has not received any feedback on the revisions to the Constitution.

12. AGM Agenda

Mark reviewed the agenda items to date and the cut off date for agenda items will be Aug. 22/22. Cathy recommended presenters be prepared and be given 2 minutes to speak.

13. Other Business – Year-end Banquet

Linda and Yvonne will sell 50/50 tickets. Steve said the league has tickets for this.

The league will not be purchasing any door prizes.

Jim will be donating wine.

14. New Positions to the Executive

The Team Representatives are to solicit their players for 2 new positions on the Executive; Scheduler and Recruiter.

15. League Fees for 2023 Season

Jim said the league is in good financial standing and does not feel the fees needs to be increased for the 2023 season. The Executive will see how many teams the league will have for the next season and will review fees for the 2024 season.

Mark has a player by the name of John who has volunteered to be Team Capital for a new team.

It was suggested by Steve that each team have 2 representatives. Carried.

New Business

Kim brought up a situation where a player from the Spitfires had a “hissy fit” and left the team without advising Gord. Kim had reached out to this person to find out why they had not been attending the games. The response by email was for personal reasons and did not elaborate further. It is difficult to attempt to resolve the situation when no further information was given. Should this person be allowed back into the league when they abandoned their team? The Team Representatives are to pole their players on their thoughts and this has been added to the AGM for discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 12:50pm.