

## **Victoria Athletic Association Annual General Meeting: Nov 14, 2007**

Shannon: Thank you to everyone attending, plus all the coaches and managers of the teams who have done an outstanding job as usual and without whom we would not really have an Association. It is the volunteers that keep this going, year after year. Introduction of the executive for all the members plus a full explanation of what each of their jobs entails

Read out the minutes of last meeting; motion to accept the minutes as read, Amber and Kate seconds

### **Treasurer's Report:**

For the year from Oct 2006 to now all incoming monies have been spent on the teams and there is a small amount available for disbursement. We are now in the second year of our bingo license and this year the amount per month coming in will be going down for a total of approx \$2400 loss for the year. This has to be made up by fundraising for this coming year. Amount is down because it is based on our membership numbers, more members more money and vice versa. Motion to accept the report as read, Carla and Sara seconds

Need to recruit new members and new teams; the small donations that we do for juvenile system do not count toward our overall membership. They are not part of the Association, just being supported in part by the Association. Mike Akam was going to talk to the Peninsula soccer minor teams to see if there is some sort of cross over we can do as they do not have an adult system for their juvenile teams to graduate to.

Explanation of what being fully sponsored means in terms of membership, gym rentals, fields, equipment, uniform, league fees, referees is laid out for the members to digest. This leads to a discussion of associate memberships plus are there any teams out there that are needing some help: grass hockey, football, slo-pitch; that would be interested in joining the Association

Send all game reports, teams information, pictures except for male enhancement advertisement to Tom who will put everything on the website. Stress again for members to make use of this perk, we are paying for it

Put advertisement in the paper under volunteers asking for coaches and managers but also for teams looking for a home. There is the junior team at MacDonald and Del will make some inquires to what is what

Gaming: bingo, through the gaming commission, give us approx \$25000 a year and in return we do in-house hours at the bingo hall. On top this we take pictures of teams with the banner and this is considered advertising our sponsorship from Victoria Bingo. These all go into an album given back to the gaming commission showing our support. Programs from various tournaments can also be put in so send them in to Amber for the album. Now is the time to transfer the banner around to all the teams, take tons of pictures and get them in to Amber

Fundraisers: let us know so we can get a picture of the banner at the event for the book plus place the info on the web. Every year we try to do one big fundraiser, which was the raffle of the Canadian Cooler this year. Every team is responsible for one fundraiser per year for the Association, if your team wants to do more then all the power to you (keep what you raise). This year the fundraiser sucked, there was less then \$1000 raised and nobody showed up for the fun night. It is imperative that all the teams pick it up for this coming season; the coaches and managers need to push this. Updates will be sent out on a regular basis but it is important that the teams discuss what is going on in the Association and participate in events

Fields: gyms, games fields and practice are booked through Katie and paid for by the Association, cup fields have been booked now for the year, gym for spring training are going now, need to contact Katie to get it booked. A new e-mail list will be made available after tonight

Technology: website updated, send more info and pictures, get your fundraisers on there

Uniforms: socks were ordered. Div 4 men's team still needs to pick up socks from Colleen. Uniforms are all out and at the end of the year each team will need to get all the uniforms back from all their team members especially those who are not returning. Make sure the uniforms are collected at the last game of the season; each team should assign someone to do this.

Meetings: one person needs to make it to each meeting from every team, two would be better, information is on the website, need to have more than one contact for each team, if you not getting the updates, phone.

This year for our Association fundraiser it would be beneficial if every member should be able sell one book of tickets per year, \$20.

Bottle drive: want to have one after January

Floor is now open nominations for the executive, this year we will start with the president and work our way to the directors. Board members are a one-year position and directors are two years

Nominations for President: Shannon by acclamation

Nominations for Vice: Katie by acclamation

Nominations for Treasurer: Amber by acclamation

Nominations for Secretary: Moira by acclamation

Nominations for director: Del Christianson, Bob Spark, Vincent Greco, and Tom Getty

Vince declined

Del accepts

Bob accepts

Tom accepts

Motion to adjourn Katie