MINUTES OF THE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, June 30, 2014
6:00 p.m.
(ISA 2000 - 4670 Aldona Lane, Sacramento CA 95841)

AGENDA

I. Call to Order and Roll Call – The meeting was called to order at 6:10pm. All team representatives were asked to sign-in and pick up the various meeting materials.

The following 19 teams were present:

Arsenal
Cori's Crew
Crossfire
Flames
Killer Bees
Las Damas
Las Patas
Let It Go
Let's Play
Mai Tai

Pole Dancers
Renegades
Right Stuff
Samba
Still Kickin
Storm
Thunder
Weekend Warriors
Yaquis

The following 2 teams were absent: Kaos and Primero.

Officers and Members at Large:

President....................................................  Dawn Cole
Vice President/Secretary............................  Tara Dunn
Treasurer ...................................................  Christine Lush
Referee Coordinator ...................................  Martha Dominguez (absent)
Registrar ....................................................  Heather Ramil
PAD ...........................................................  Kathleen Casanave
Fields .........................................................  Kim Erickson
Schedule ....................................................  Interim Kim Erickson/Christine Lush
Equipment ..................................................  Lani Bondshu
Valley Cup .................................................  Deidre Bryant
Recruitment/Marketing ...............................  Nancy Valle
Website ......................................................  Interim Deidre Bryant

II. Welcoming remarks – Dawn welcomed the team representatives and hoped all were watching the World Cup and Sacramento Republic FC games. Teams were also encouraged to support the California Storm, Sacramento’s team in the Women’s Premier League.
III. The minutes from the Annual General Meeting held on July 12, 2013 were approved unanimously.

IV. Reports of Officers
   A. President-Dawn Cole – Dawn’s report was given during the welcoming remarks.
   B. Vice President/Secretary-Tara Dunn – Nothing to report.
   C. Treasurer-Christine Lush – Christine went over the budget line items. There was general discussion about the website costs and the marketing budget. Nancy Valle proposed $3,000 to be budgeted for marketing.
   D. Referee Coordinator-Martha Dominguez (absent) – In Martha’s absence, Dawn gave an overview of how the League works with Mark Lloret as the Referee Assignor. She mentioned that our League pays on the lower end for referees but that at this time there is no impact to our ability to secure referees for the League’s games.
   E. Registrar-Heather Ramil – Heather went over the registration forms and noted that US Club Soccer has lowered the number of registered players a team can carry from 26 to 25. This change may impact teams so those teams that carry 26 players, need to let her know which one to drop. She also reported that US Club Soccer has redesigned their website and that all team representatives should access the website using their old login but let her know if they have any problems. There was general discussion about finding a way to allow credit cards to be used to pay for team registration. Heather will provide drop box locations at various indoor arenas by email prior to the deadline so teams may be able to drop off registration materials if they are playing at that time. Registration postmarked by July 25th is also okay.

V. Reports of Standing Assignments
   A. PAD-Kathleen Casanave – Kathleen reported that there were 2 red cards this last season and both were for dissent. Otherwise there was not much to report.
   B. Fields-Kim Erickson – Kim gave a general overview of the fields she schedules for the League. She noted that she has not used school site fields because of the need to arrange for port-a-potties and the inconsistency of field mowing. Home games will always be scheduled at Cherry Island first and then Gibson Ranch.
   C. Schedule-(Vacant – Christine Lush & Kim Erickson) – Kim reported that teams didn’t really comment on the schedule for the Winter/Spring season. There was general discussion about Primero as a premier team playing in Division 1. In their absence, it was unknown if they intend to return. After the registration deadline, the Executive Committee will meeting with 10 days to bracket teams.
   D. Equipment-Lani Bondshu – Lani reported that she is ordering more Velcro. She also announced that there will need to be a new Equipment coordinator by next May 2015 when she steps down.
   E. Valley Cup-Deidre Bryant – Deidre reported that there were 39 teams in 7 divisions at Valley Cup this year. The tournament generated about $6,500 for the League. There will be another early deadline in January 2015 with the regular deadline in February. The Valley Cup committee is planning on researching players next year to help evaluate skill and age level. This year, Team in Training benefiting The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society held a raffle. Next year teams may be able to assist Team in Training by providing a gift basket for the raffle. There was general discussion about allowing players younger than 18/19 years old to play. Currently younger players may only play in the competitive division.
   F. Recruitment and Marketing-Nancy Valle – Nancy noted that the League is using a new logo and a banner is up at the Sacramento Republic FC games behind Section 110. She reported that she has been approaching younger players and has 2 players in their 20s interested in the playing in Division 3 for the upcoming season. There was a request for a League flyer that team representatives can post at other League venues to help recruit more players.

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G. Website-Vacant (Interim Deidre Bryant) – Deidre gave an overview of where the League is in deploying its new website. She reported that the subcommittee is currently working on adding content but is excited to get up and running by the start of the Fall Season.

VI. Reports of Special Committees
A. Referee of the Year Award (Martha) – Dawn reported that we have not received many nominations for Referee of the Year Award. The League would like to keep this award will likely expand nominations from teams, to also include 3 nominations from the Executive Committee and 3 nominations from the Referee Assignor.

Teams indicated that they did find it helpful for an email to remind teams to fill out the Referee Evaluation Form.

VII. Unfinished Business – none.

VIII. New Business
A. Proposed 2014-15 Season Dates:

**Fall 2015**

Motion to approve the Fall season dates for 10 games starting on September 7, 2014 through November 23, 2014, with two rain-out dates to be scheduled at the Executive Committee’s discretion.

Motion by: Samba
Second by: Arsenal
Discussion: There was general discussion about having 11 games or whether to schedule a bye for the Veteran’s Day weekend this year.

The motion was amended to approve the Fall season dates for 10 games starting on September 7, 2014 through November 23, 2014, with no game scheduled on November 9th and one rain-out date scheduled for November 23rd.

Motion to Amend by: Samba
Second by: Arsenal

Vote: Yes = 18 Absent = 0
      No = 1   Abstain = 0

**Spring 2015**

Motion to approve the Spring 2015 season dates as presented – 15 games starting on January 4, 2015 through May 3, 2015, with no games scheduled for January 18, 2015 (Martin Luther King Jr holiday weekend), February 15, 2015 (President’s Day holiday weekend) and April 5, 2015 (Easter).

Motion by: Samba
Second by: Crossfire
Discussion: There was no discussion.

Vote: Yes = 18 Absent = 0
      No = 1   Abstain = 0

B. Proposed 2014-15 Budget – Christine Lush presented the proposed budget.

Motion to approve the proposed 2014-2015 Budget.
Motion by: Let’s Play  
Second by: Still Kickin  
Discussion: There was discussion about increasing the budget for marketing to $3,000 as well as discussion about how much to keep in the League’s reserve. Christine would follow up with what past marketing budgets have been for the League.

Vote:  
Yes = 19  
Absent = 0  
No = 0  
Abstain = 0

C. Executive Committee Nominations  
There was a request for someone to volunteer as scheduler, none volunteered.  
Motion to approve the slate of nominees for the Executive Committee as presented.  
Motion by: Samba  
Second by: Crossfire  
Discussion: There was discussion about increasing the budget for marketing to $3,000 as well as discussion about how much to keep in the League’s reserve. Christine would follow up with what past marketing budgets have been for the League.

Vote:  
Yes = 19  
Absent = 0  
No = 0  
Abstain = 0

D. Players 70 years and older:  
Motion to allow players age 70 years and older to wear silver shorts during games.  
Motion by: Let It Go  
Second by: Still Kickin  
Discussion: There was general discussion about how strictly enforced this allowance would be.

Vote:  
Yes = 19  
Absent = 0  
No = 0  
Abstain = 0

E. Proposal for New Rule – Dual-Rostered Players (Las Damas)  
Las Damas presented an issue regarding dual-rostered players the play in divisions that are more than one level above or below their primary team’s division producing inequitable competition that is not consistent with the division level the team is bracketed at. The proposal is to only allow players to dual-roster on teams that are within one division level of each other and not allow players to dual-roster on teams that are more than one division level apart. There was general discussion about the Over-30 Division (IV) requiring age restrictions which the Registrar reviews before issuing player passes.

Following general discussion of this proposal there was motion to convene a subcommittee.

Motion to appoint a subcommittee to provide recommendations for dual-rostered players to be brought to the Board at the next Board of Director’s meeting.  
Motion by: Las Damas  
Second by: Let’s Play  
Discussion: See above for discussion.

Vote:  
Yes = 19  
Absent = 0  
No = 0  
Abstain = 0

IX. Announcements  
Sally Games – October 11, 2014  
Indoor Tournament – December 6, 2014

X. Adjournment – 7:45pm