OCSL 2017 Annual General Meeting Draft Minutes

Saturday January 13th, 2018

Ron Kolbus lakeside Centre, Ottawa, Ontario

Roll Call

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| Members in Attendance | Members Missing |
| AC Fiorentina  Almonte  Arnprior United  Aylmer  Burners  CCA  Capital United  Carleton Place  Croatian Jadran  FC St Stefan  Fitzroy Harbour  Glengarry  Hull  Inter Milan  Istanbul  Kemptville & District  LACA  Lusitania  Lynwood Centennials  NCISL  Nepean Hotspurs  Ottawa Bears  Ottawa Bolides  Ottawa City SC  Ottawa Eagles  Ottawa Falcons  Ottawa Fusion  Ottawa Gloucester  Ottawa Hellenic  OISC  Ottawa Korean  OSU  Ottawa St Anthony  Perth  Rockers United  Rockland  Smith Falls  Soccer Chelsea  Spitfires  Sporting Peru  Sunset Lakers  Vitosha  West Carleton  West Ottawa  Westboro Wolves  White Eagles | AS Gatineau  Cumberland  Kingston Clippers  Kingston United  North Leeds  North Dundas  Ottawa Cosmos  Prescott Gunners  Russell  Soccer Club Bosnia |
| LMB, Staff and Special Guest in Attendance | LMB and Staff Missing |
| Shar Sumner – Chair  Greg Elliott – Vice Chair  Ian Carter – Treasurer  Bryan Terrell – Director at Large  Daniel Eji – Director at Large  Romulo Osorio – Director at Large  Chelsea Norris – General Manager  Awesie Osama – Gowlings  Bob Monahan - EODSA  Ron Smale – Ontario Soccer | Lou Judge – Secretary  Osman Saatci – Director, Referees  Peter Blackman – Director, Competitions |

Shar Sumner, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 am. Vice Chair, Greg Elliot, performed Roll Call, quorum was present.

Minutes and Matters Arising from Previous Meetings

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-M1 | Arnprior | Westboro | Passed |
| To approve the 2016 AGM Minutes as presented. | | | |

* CCA – Nothing was sent out after the SGM and now nothing is being changed as presented, clubs were not consulted prior to running the pilot project.
* Chair – a subcommittee meeting was called in December, and no clubs attended. We needed to keep momentum going. The pilot project is to keep the momentum, without the big change or blowing things up. We are looking to improve all the time, with club feedback.

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-M2 | AC F | Ottawa Eagles | Passed |
| To approve the 2017 Competitive SGM Minutes as presented. | | | |

Chair’s Report

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-OR1 | Smith Falls | Almonte | Passed |
| To accept the 2017 Chair’s Report as presented. | | | |

* Chair – Document presented in the OCSL AGM Booklet. We are trying to change and evolve. We need to start looking forward, and make some changes, even if just small. We need to be open minded. We had subcommittees this year to try and find a way forward to increase participation. We need to take time to find out how to keep this league healthy, and increase participation. This was a difficult year, the weather and issues on and off the pitch. This was the first year of the change of field allocations. We had people question if we wanted to stay a part of Ontario Soccer, which lead to working with BDO. We sent out a survey this year, with huge participation.

Officer’s Reports

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-OR5 | Smith Fall | Spitfires | Passed |
| To accept the 2017 Discipline Report as presented. | | | |

* Chair – one thing this year was we were trying to do discipline reports, we are looking to see where we were are trending. Used to predict issues and deal with things early. We also talk to the EODSA about the referees
* White Eagles – Having half of the Red cards over turned is high. We need to address that with the EODSA to develop referees. We also need to have a comment box in the referee feedback section of the website.
* Gloucester – we need to be allowed to bring in written testimony in hearings.
* Chair – we can work with the OSA to see if we can allow that, and what the rules are around video and audio testimony. Greg E did this response commit the Board to action items for 2018?

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-OR6 | St Anthony | White Eagles | Passed |
| To accept the 2017 Operations Report as presented | | | |

* The General Manager spoke to the Operations report.

Treasurer’s Report

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-OR2 | Almonte | OISC | Passed |
| To accept the 2017 Treasurer’s Report as presented. | | | |

* Treasurer – this was a rough year. The biggest contributor to financial loss issue were the fields. Revenue were not where we expected them to be, and expenses were high. The new allocations policy lead to the loss of fields to other sports. The portfolio was not as expected, with a lot of fields for only 1 or 2 nights. This meant only a couple of teams were covering the costs of the lining for the field. This lead to higher lining costs than expected. We have discussed this with the city and it looks like they are going to work on this with us. Last year, the OCSL rate of standard field was reduced from $1200 to $850. We were trying to do as much as we can to reduce the cost of adult soccer. In hind sight we missed priced some risk, and cut too much. One of the major areas we got hit and didn’t really plan, was the 18-game season. This meant that we were charging teams based on a 14-game season, and then giving them an 18-game season. In the future if we stay at an 18-game season we need to have 2 rates for teams; a 14-game season vs an 18-game season. The other issue with field was the amount of reschedules. We carried a large portfolio then needed, but it was used for reschedules and then we had to go an buy more field time in addition. The last game was September 25th. Outside of fields the other issue was the question surrounding leaving Ontario Soccer. This lead to spending $18000 on professional fees. Looking forward we are looking at the office space. Our current space is costing too much compared to revenues. We are not going to be renewing where we currently are and are talking to the EODSA about a moving to a new location.
* Almonte – has the league considered moving the rescheduled games to a field outside the city to a field that costs less?
* NCISL – why was all the field loss spread across the whole league instead of just the teams that purchased fields from the league?
* Treasurer – traditionally, the league has been making money on standard field permits that cost only $200, but charging $1200.
* NCISL – but the $30 000.00 loss is coming from the reserve.
* Treasurer – yes but the reserve was established as are result of a surplus from overcharging for fields.
* Treasurer – it covers both budget and financial report. Basically, it was a meeting with the big youth clubs because they operationally can manage their own field permits and this past summer, have 3 sources of field permits. We are going to be working with the clubs and the city to try to move their fields back to those clubs.
* OSU – we can manage our own field permits. We are not the clubs that need help. The smaller clubs are the ones you should be helping with the permits. We cannot do our normal business when the OCSL holds our permits. We also kept hearing at the AGM last year, that the OCSL said that this was the city driving this, the OCSL was not behind this. Carlos was asked at a different meeting, and they don’t care whether or not it was 1 league or 60 clubs that they deal with. We want to have a meeting with Carlos to ask him what is right.

Auditor’s Report

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-OR3 | Kemptville | Spitfires | Passed |
| To accept the 2017 Auditor’s Report as presented. | | | |

* NCISL – How much cash flow is needed to operate the OCSL? You are asking to increase the cash flow but the statements have listed $100000 this past year.
* Treasurer – several years ago the membership voted to have $100000 in our reserve, but no more. We are down this year and need to build up.
* OSU – When are we going to move on from the dream of building a field when we only have $17500. You can’t build a field with that much. We should just move the money back into the operating reserve and forget it.

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-OR4 | Smith Falls | Hotspurs | Passed |
| To appoint Hendry Warren LLP as the auditors for the OCSL’s 2017-2018 Fiscal Year | | | |

Unfinished Business – Previous Season

* None

Amendments to the Constitution

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-C1 | Almonte | Hotspurs | Passed |
| 1. The Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall nominally be held on the second Saturday in January of each year. The required notice of the AGM or any Special General Meeting (SGM) shall be 15 days. The Agenda of the meeting, and the proposed financial budget for the coming year, in the case of an AGM, shall be included with the above notice. Such notification shall be done by regular mail or email.    1. The draft minutes of any General Meeting shall be distributed within sixty (60) days after the meeting.    2. The order of business shall ~~be~~ include:       1. Roll Call       2. Credentials Report       3. Minutes and matters arising from previous years AGM       4. Chairman's Report- Previous Season       5. Officer’s Report       6. Treasurer’s Report       7. Auditor’s Report       8. Appointment of Auditors       9. Any Other Reports arising from previous season       10. Unfinished Business       11. BREAK       12. Amendments to Constitution and Rules & Regulations       13. Election of the Board       14. Budget and Fees       15. Any other Business       16. Roll Call       17. Adjournment | | | |

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-C2 | Ottawa South United | Hotspurs | Passed |
| 1. In the event of dissolution of the League, for whatever reason, then after payment of all debts and liabilities, its remaining property shall be distributed or disposed of by the LMB, following direction from the membership. If no direction is received from the membership, the remaining property shall be distributed to the member clubs in good standing using the formula of an equal share for each team that participated in the league in the previous season. | | | |

* OSU – can you explain this one
* Treasurer – due to the potential insolvency of the EODSA, this money could be made available to the lawsuit. This is not the intention of the people who originally wrote it. The other thing is that only a third of our membership is competitive. So we would be taking mostly recreational money and moving it to a competitive group.
* OSU – but if there is no league then there is no LMB. How can they make the decision. Also the money should be given back to the clubs, based on the number of teams the clubs had the previous year

Amendments to the Rules and Regulations

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-R1 | OISC | Ottawa Gloucester | Passed |
| 1. No more than six (6) players from one or any combination of lower teams may play up for a Regional team in a game. A team found to be playing more than 6 players up at a time may be subject to corrective action.    1. A player can play up to a Regional team, within their own club, unlimited times in a season.    2. The maximum of 6 players per game does not apply for Regional teams after August 1st.    3. Any team found to be using a call up player from within their own club without using the appropriate Permit will be subject to disciplinary action. | | | |

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-R2 | Smith falls | Almonte | Failed |
| All outdoor OCSL games must be completed by the end of day of the second Sunday in September. | | | |

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-R3 | Lynwood Centennials | Ottawa Falcons | Passed |
| 1. Tie Breaking - If two (2) or more teams are tied on points, the tie will be broken by the following process:    1. Goal Differential    2. most goals for    3. cumulative head to head score    4. most wins    5. coin toss | | | |

* Kemptville – can we add coin toss to the end, because you could still be tied after those 4 steps.
* Chair – yes we can add this.

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-R4 | Almonte | Nepean Hotspurs | Passed |
| 1. The physical form of player ID must be present at the field. | | | |

* OSU – can we move to a digital ID platform?
* Chair – we are working with the OSA and EODSA on making the player identification more flexible

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-R5 | OISC | Lynwood | Passed |
| To approve all changes to the rules and regulations as detailed in the 3 documents in the appendix that are to fix grammatical errors and to update the name change of Ontario Soccer. | | | |

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-R6 | Smith Falls | Kemptville | Failed |
| To move the Masters Division from an Over 50 division to an Over 45 division. | | | |

* Arnprior presented their motion and rational as presented in the AGM booklet.

Election of the Board

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| Position | AGM Status | Term | Nominations | Result |
| Chair | Election | 2018-2020 | Shar Sumner | Acclaimed |
| Secretary | Election | 2018-2020 | Greg Elliot (from floor) | Acclaimed |
| Director of Competitions | Election | 2018-2019 | None | None |
| Director of Referees | Election | 2018-2020 | Osman Saatci | Acclaimed |
| Director of Discipline | Election | 2017-2019 | None | None |
| Director at Large (Odd) | Election | 2018-2020 | Daniel Eji | Acclaimed |
| Director at Large (Even) | To be ratified | 2017-2019 | Romulo Osorio | Ratified |
| Director at Large (Odd) | Election | 2018-2020 | Hussein Husseini | Acclaimed |

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| 2017-E1 | AC Fiorentina | Ottawa Gloucester | Passed |
| To ratify the appointment of Romulo Osorio to the role of Director at Large. | | | |

* White Eagles member Henry Patterson has volunteered for the Competitive Liaison
* Rockers United member Diana Ricciuti has volunteered for the Recreational Liaison

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| 2017-E2 | AC Fiorentina | Westboro | Passed |
| To close the election process. | | | |

Budget and Fees

* Treasurer walked through the budget highlighted any changes over the previous year.
* NCISL – the field expenses listed in 2018 does not match in 2017, what are you planning to do differently.
* Treasurer – we will be carrying less field hours. We will also not be putting out a schedule with December 2018 listed as the playing date. Because of that we could never tell what our projected numbers were until the end of the season.
* NCISL – what if we have another really wet year like last year? Why not over charge now and give money back if we have a dry year?

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-B1 | Smith falls | Spitfires | Passed |
| To approve the increase in team fees for the 2018 season to:  Recreational Teams - $480.00  District Competitive Teams - $510.00  Regional Teams - $575.00 | | | |

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-B2 | NCISL | White Eagles | Failed |
| To approve the increase in field fees for the 2018 season to:  Standard Fields - $900.00  Lit Fields - $1350.00  Premium Fields - $2250.00 | | | |
| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-B2 | Westboro | AC Fiorentina | Passed |
| To approve the increase in field fees for the 2018 season to:  Standard Fields - $850.00  Lit Fields - $1350.00  Premium Fields - $2250.00 | | | |

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-B3 | Ottawa Gloucester | Smith Falls | Passed |
| To approve the 2018 Budget as presented. | | | |

Any Other Business

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
| Motion 2017-OB1 | OSU | White Eagles | Passed |
| To move the field reserve fund into the reserve | | | |

* Pilot Projects
  + 1) the Over 45 division on Tuesdays
  + 2) over 60 on week day mornings
  + 3) OT1 – combining and condensing the OT1 and OT2 – taking it offline
  + 4) C2 – Conference reconfiguration with playoffs for promotion/relegation

Roll Call

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Adjournment

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| **Motion** | **Mover** | **Seconder** | **Outcome** |
|  | Fitzroy Harbour | Ottawa Bears | Passed |
| To adjourn the meeting at 1:05pm | | | |