

**October 2, 2012**

**Called to order: 6:32pm**

**Roll Call.**

Members: Allegheny - Al Mildenberger; Amherst – Steve Gordon; Blue Ridge FC – Brent Bowles; CSC – Dennis Nagel; CVU – Greg Doneghue; Danville – Pam Mensavage; GC United – Robbie Spiegel; Halifax – Mat Robinson, Heart of VA – Bob Burke; Lexington – Ross Waller; New River – Lynn Everett; RSC – Kathy Harris; Roanoke Star – Martin Smith; Salem – Josh Jones; AFC – Dave Stewart.

President – Gene Harris; V.P. of Operations – Sandy Paterson; V.P. of Administration – Steve Gordon; Administrator – David James; Secretary – Denise Knisely; Chair of Conduct and Sportsmanship – Rick Harnsberger; Treasurer – Nicole Cook.

Quorum is determined.

**Reading/Discussion/Approval of Minutes from last meeting.**

August minutes posted on the website. Motion to approve. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.

**Officer and Committee Reports**

VP of Operations – Sandy Paterson – Some divisions doing extremely well. Only a couple of high scores to nil reported.

VP of Administration – Steve Gordon – 120 teams. Budget is on target.

Chair of Conduct and Sportsmanship – Rick Harnsberger – 1 coach and 3 parent send offs. Each team is required to report cards for your team.

Treasurer's Report – Nicole Cook – No concerns.

Registrar's Report – None.

Secretary's Report – Denise Knisely – None.

Administrator's Report – David James – Missing only a few VYSA checks from clubs

President – Gene Harris – Concerns with referees not checking player cards. All refs do not understand the league rules.

**Special Committee Reports – None.**

**Director of Coaching Report – None.**

**Guest Report – None.**

## **Unfinished Business (Carried over from Previous Meeting(s))**

We are all guilty of violating the recruitment policy. Discussion continuing. BRSL's recruiting policy was updated and will be posted on BRSL's website

## **New Business**

Goals overturned on September 8<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure that the goals are checked by the referees. Another idea is to have a parent of each team check the goals. Safety is our 1<sup>st</sup> goal.

Getting criticism for allowing teams/players to play down with mixed age teams. How many concerns are we receiving? Should we consider the weight rule? Where is the balance? BRSL is even uncomfortable with 2 year spread. It all falls back on the Competition Committee to do a thorough job and make a good judgement.

A concern is assignors scheduling a parent to referee their child's game. It is illegal for an assignor to schedule a family member for a game that has a family member playing in the game. Rick Harnsberger says it happens about 3 times per year. Smaller teams have a real challenge. Clubs need to work with the assignors. Check out the website [www.vadcsoccerref.com](http://www.vadcsoccerref.com).

Game Day Roster policy states to have the original roster and game day roster present the day of game. It is a courtesy to give the game day roster to the other team. Referees should definitely have the game day roster when cards are issued.

Motion to make all 3 forms mandatory to be present at game day (official roster, game day roster and the player passes). If not met, game can be forfeited and a fine will be assigned. 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. The effective date for this policy is October 13, 2012.

## **Discussion / Proposals for Change of Bylaws, Rules & Procedures**

Guest Player policy was reviewed and updated. The guest player policy is posted on BRSL's website.

**Adjournment: 8:55pm**