

## VANCOUVER ISLAND SOCCER REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

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### Regular Meeting Minutes

Gordon Head Soccer Association Fieldhouse, Victoria, B.C.

**December 17, 2007**

**Members: 22**

**Apologies: 5**

**Guests: 2**

<b>Education</b>	Christmas Pot Luck
<b>Minutes</b>	Reviewed & Accepted. Moved, Michael McNally-Dawes; seconded, Phil Ménard
<b>Correspondence</b> Rick Firestone	1) Vince Greco – Apologies + Info Points 2) Tony Troughton – Apologies + Mentorship + CSRA
<b>Registrar</b> Rick Firestone	There are a total of 44 members.
<b>Treasurer</b> Sergiu Surdu	Nothing to report.
<b>Ways and Means</b> Ryan Perkins	Toques are available.
<b>Mentorship</b> Tony Troughton	Mentorship has begun – 10% completed. Andrew Foster thinks that the program needs some changes and is discussing ways to get the program going and make it more effective with Tony. Expect to see developments in the new year.
<b>Assessments</b> Herb Harzan	Herb has decided to withdraw for personal reasons. Alex will discuss the situation with Neil Ellett
<b>Library</b> Boris Glazar	No News
<b>BCSRA</b> Larry Cade (regrets)	Elvio sends regrets again. He intends to attend the January meeting.
<b>CSRA</b> Tony Troughton (regrets)	CSRA Annual General Meeting is to be held February 23 <sup>rd</sup> week-end at the Viscount Gort Hotel in Winnipeg.
<b>VISL</b> Sergiu Surdu	Brad Smith of the VISL outlined the new Player ID policy and program. Currently in Phase 1 – cards optional. Brad asked how many had actually seen cards – few. Phase 2 is to start 1 Feb when ID Cards are to be mandatory – players with-out a card are not to play. There were several suggestions: Phil Ménard – ID Card numbers should be on the team list. Boris Glazar - how deficiencies are to be reported – answer: in the game report Michael McNally-Dawes - that the ID number be added to the online discipline report Gary Barber - what happens if teams insist on playing players with-out cards after 1 Feb – answer – abandon the match Mark McNally-Dawes – what about asking teams to verify each others lists and cards? Brad said that he had suggested that to the VISL executive but they were concerned with collusion and would not accept this idea. Cam Neish – there have been a lot of good ideas – everyone should get their ideas down and send them both to the VISRA executive and to Brad for the VISL. Christian Hauer – will the ID number be mandatory on discipline reports? Are referees to hold cards during the match? - Brad – yes to both. Herb Harzan expressed his view that the referee association should not be accepting this role from VISL and is giving the VISL too much leeway at our meetings.
<b>LIWSA</b> Casey Tepper	Regrets
<b>LISA</b> Tiberio de Frias	<u>Metro Referee Assignments</u> LISA will be assigning referees for Metro games starting in the new year. There will be more developments coming.

<p><b>BCSA Referee</b> Tiberio de Frias</p> <p><b>BCSA Referee – cont'd</b></p>	<p>The BCSA Referee Development Committee recently completed a 3.5 hr meeting on promotions and referee development. Registration and Assessments will be online by early in the new year. Each referee will be able to access more material online.</p> <p><u>Entry Level Clinic</u> A new Canada-wide Entry Level Clinic is to be rolled out early in the new year – but not for the clinic January 4<sup>th</sup> at Lochside.</p> <p><u>BC Soccer Conference</u> The BC Soccer Conference was held this past week-end at BC Place in Vancouver. It was an excellent session with Hector Vergara, Mauricio Novarro, and Esse Baharmast of US Soccer the main Referee presenters. Several Victoria area referees attended.</p> <p><u>Youth Referee</u> Kevin Parsons was named BC Youth Referee of the Year at the BCSA Awards Banquet, Mauricio Novarro was named Senior Referee (for the first time).</p>
<p><b>Old Business</b></p>	<p><u>Christmas Party - Ryan Perkins</u> 10 members attended the VISRA Christmas Party. Everyone had a great time.</p>
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<p>Herb Harzan announced that he is with-drawing from active participation in VISRA. He expressed concern that the association is drifting aimlessly and is not taking on issues that it should.</p> <p>Alex Milne said that Herb has contributed quite a lot to this association over quite a few years in various capacities including referee scheduler and President. It is important that these contributions be recognized. There was a round of applause.</p> <p>Recruitment Christian Hauer suggested that we produce a pamphlet to give to players at games to promote refereeing, referee clinics, and VISRA. Boris Glazar said that he doesn't see much likelihood in success in approaching players in that way. Boris suggested that there are fewer advantages to being a member of this association, especially as it is not a factor in determining game assignments.</p>
<p><b>Adjournment</b></p>	<p>Moved by Tiberio de Frias; seconded by Christian Hauer</p>

**Meeting Adjourned:** 20:15 pm

**Next Meeting: 7:15 pm, Monday, January 21st 2008,  
Gordon Head Fieldhouse, Tyndall Park**

Respectfully Submitted,

*Rick Firestone*