



7-1-19

GVSA Board Meeting

Board Members attending: John Hall, Elissa Vire, Sue Crabtree, Ken Lovell, Chris Denham, Lizzy Hornack, Bre Brendsel, Bruce Lane, John Corbett.

Board Members absent: Josh Sheldon

Guests attending: None

7:02pm call to order by John Hall

May 2019 minutes presented; and accepted by unanimous vote.

Ken:

three primary categories club/team violations:

- player names on ID cards and roster are not identical for the same player
- number of players on roster/bench exceed number permissible
- use of unregistered coaches.

three primary categories of responses by coaches/club to those violations:

- comply with penalty/correct matter
- appeal the GVSA penalty
- do not respond at all

Those that do not respond take most of Ken and Sue's time to track and schedule meetings. A small group will not appear unless the time and date are minimally disruptive to them without regard for Ken's availability.

Ken will propose new restrictions on responding to the league letter of a violation:

- the respondent has 14 days (from receipt of certified letter) in which to respond to Ken
- Ken will set aside days/times where he is available to meet with team officials about the cited violation
- consideration of setting a fee to be submitted with an appeal. If the appeal is upheld, the respondent is refunded ___% of the fee. If the appeal is not upheld the respondent loses 100% of the fee and still owed the imposed fine (if one was part of the penalty).

GVSA rules need to be updated before any changes to the appeal process can be implemented. A change is able to be made at a board meeting.

Sue+Ken

games 2032-26, 1999-5 were discussed.

A Costa United game at the 2019 Portage tournament was referenced.

Alyssa

No new items

John Corbett

for 2020 new grade is a GRASSROOTS referee. This grade includes the earlier referee grades 9, 8 and 7. The Michigan Referee Committee has not received the new materials to certify/recertify referees. At this time there are no entry level classes scheduled in Michigan. As soon as the instructional materials are received and disseminated, classes will be scheduled.

Mike Hanna is the assignor for SCOR, CASSA and MSA Revolution. He will move for a new job in July and not be able to continue assigning. Loren Heun has been an assignor for league and tournament games in the Kalamazoo and Portage areas. He is scheduled to move into Jenison within the week and will assume Mike's assigning duties. Although an experienced assignor, there will be an overlap where Mike can share local nuances with Loren.

John Hall

web pages for Rovers and Michigan Power Futbol were discussed.

Sue

Team commitment matters:

- LOBOS will play as part of SCOR and no longer be an independent club.
- GRAS has not met deadlines to identify fields for their home games, identify teams they will field, and submit player registrations. Sue has reached out to them multiple times since the May board meeting without resolution.

Sportsmanship Scores/Ratings

- game reports are still missing
- sportsmanship ratings on received game reports are still missing
- when called to complete the ratings, the ref either gives a "3" or a "5" to all. This makes the ratings suspect as well as any action based upon them.

Bruce added the rating rationale for sportsmanship scoring is still being revamped. No matter how accurate ratings received are, when ratings for all games are not received, convincing conclusions drawn from the ratings are not possible.

Ken

MFA has spoken with Ken and still seeks resolution primarily on the statement of the problem, and not the penalties, that arose from Derrick signing the names of parents and coaches.

After general discussion Ken and Sue will respond to MFA and convey the GVSA Board's responses. The Board does not request an update from Sue and Ken.

Card Accumulation Rule:

- u7- u16 no recommendation to change the rules
- change u17+ rules to:
 - 6 red cards in a season coach is suspended
 - any combination of 6 reds/yellows in a single game coach is suspended
 - any combination of 15 cards to the team in a season the coach is suspended for 2 games
 - any combination of 18 cards to the team in a season the team is suspended

motion to adopt the changes made

motion seconded

vote: 8 yes, 0 no

motion passed

Bruce

Fillable PDF game report forms.
System requirements and supporting software to be evaluated
Update at next board meeting

John Corbett

Recommendation to amend "COACHES" category on Sportsmanship Rating to "TEAM OFFICIALS" to reflect current terminology in the referee instruction, and to include managers who frequently have feedback to give to referees during and after the game.

Matter tabled.

Ken

Racial profiling allegation on agenda. The player's legal guardian did not appear at this board meeting. Brief board discussion.

Poaching allegation by USA club against Holland Rovers. USA elected to address the issue directly with Holland Rovers.

Bre

Poaching matter with Rapids' GVSA players discussed.

Sue

Poaching matter with PASS players. PASS sent a letter to parents of players. Matter appears resolved.

John Hall

Michigan Power Futbol appeal and Zolt appeal updates:
Appeals are scheduled to be heard at the MSYSA office on 7-10-19 at 7pm and 6pm respectively.

Meeting ended at 9:50pm.

Respectively Submitted,

John Corbett