



# KEMPTVILLE DISTRICT SOCCER CLUB

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday November 26, 2007

### ROLL CALL:

#### EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Matt Stevens: President  
Jeff Miller: Vice-President  
Lou Judge: Treasurer  
Antonella Audet: Secretary  
Colin Moden: Member at Large  
Carole Bertrand: Member at Large  
Ann Miller: Member at Large  
Darryl Lapenskie: Member at Large

#### NON-EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Frank Onasanya: Head Coach  
Chris Hansen: Head Referee  
Rob Fnukal: Discipline Chair  
Rhonda Onasanya: Coaches/Indoor/Bingo Convenor

#### EXECUTIVE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Linda Stefani  
Kelli Cumming  
Lou Ballerscheff

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Ray Labelle	Tara Verney
Julie Lapenskie	Cameron Duff
David Avery	Marc Bergeron
Andy Larone	Tim Sutton

#### CREDENTIAL REPORT:

Matt welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the Kemptville District Soccer Club's AGM. He then proceeded to introduce all the executive members at the head table. Antonella then had a roll call with the names on the sign-in list. All were present.

### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM:**

Matt gave everyone a few minutes to look over the minutes. There were no concerns so Matt asked if someone would make a motion to pass them.

**\*\*\*MOTION MADE BY RHONDA ONASANYA TO PASS THE MINUTES FROM THE AGM SEPTEMBER 12, 2006. SECONDED BY DAVID AVERY. ALL WERE IN FAVOR\*\*\*\*\***

### **PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS:**

Matt hoped everyone already read his report for he was not going to read it out. (enclosed) He was happy today that the Club had an enjoyable year. Many things were accomplished.

He also said that from the feedback forms, which were given out at the end of the season, there seemed to be 2 major points that parents had commented on their concerns which he wants the club to work on. 1. Communication 2. Skills.

Parents want more skill development, which the club will be working alongside Frank to have more skills development available.

On this point, Matt said that at the ERSL AGM which he attended, that they mentioned that the lack of skills, across Canada, is a huge issue.

Matt wanted to comment on the huge success of the Tide Mini Tournament, which Jeff and Ann organized. A big thank you went out to the two of them and their volunteers. He also was very happy with the Kick Off Day. The Club had very positive feedback and everyone had a great time.

He then mentioned that unfortunately, the Girls' Tournament had to be cancelled due to lack of registration. There were only 2 divisions that were close to being full. The feedback from last year was very positive. The coaches liked the idea of all the games taking place at KCAT. They were all happy with the competition. Parents also approached Nancy St Jean, Tournament coordinator, with many compliments. No one is sure what happened. Next year the Club will need a new coordinator as Nancy will be stepping down. It is also hopeful that a boys' tournament can take place. Matt plans on meeting up in the New Year to start the planning.

Matt also commented how excited everyone was with the development of the new South Gower Park. The fields are looking great. A great big thanks goes out to Dave Cumming who has put many hours working to finish the fields. He and Kelli have been working together on finishing the new fields for the soccer club. They have also been working closely with members of the Municipal Office such as Darren Patmore, Kevin Henry and his crew.

Once the fields are all complete, the hope is for Kemptville Soccer to move all their games over there.

At this time Matt wanted to acknowledge the executive members that are not here tonight; Linda Stefani, the club's registrar, who has put in countless hours making sure everyone was registered. A big thanks goes out to you Linda. Kelli Cumming, who is in charge of the equipment.

A big thanks goes out to you Kelli for keeping all the equipment in order and continuing on making sure each coach/team had all their supplies. The last member who was not able to attend is Lou Ballerscheff. Lou is a dedicated man who made sure the fields were always up to par. Lou put many hours on the fields. Thanks Lou.

A huge thank you goes out to all the KDSC Volunteers, this club would not be able to function without you all. Thank you.

Finally, He is looking forward to working with all the executives and volunteers on having a very successful 2008 season.

## **OFFICER'S REPORT:**

### **HEAD COACH'S REPORT:**

The club Head Coach, Frank Onasanya, read over his report. (enclosed) In general he wanted to thank all parents/players for their hard work and support. He is so excited that each year the club grows with more new families getting involved with soccer. This showed with the new U3 program that was offered this year. There was such an amazing turnout. All the feedback was positive. As far as the club was concerned it was very successful! Frank wanted to thank the players who volunteered their Saturday mornings to coach/supervise these young new athletes. They took their Saturday mornings off to help the club. The feedback he received from these players was very exciting and positive. They are all looking forward to a new season with little ones.

Frank is still working on skill development - not only with the players but also with the coaches.

Frank wanted to take this opportunity to thank Lou Ballerscheff for all his hard work and hours he put into maintaining the fields. Lou always made sure the lines were upgraded on the fields and always keeping the nets up to par.

Frank then wanted to say a big thanks to Chris Hansen, the club's Head Referee, for all her guidance with the referees. This year Chris had a new batch of referees to start and the season went well.

He then wanted to thank all the executives for all their hours for maintaining the Kemptville District Soccer Club. Without you all this wouldn't be so successful.

Frank hopes for a successful 2008 season, and hopes all parents will continue to support all the players. Because without the parents this club would not work.

### **HEAD REFEREE'S REPORT:**

Chris said that since everyone had time to look over her report, she would not read it out. (enclosed) She mostly wanted to take this time to thank all the parents. Without them to support the young referees it would not be so successful. She also thought this season was very good with the spectators. There were no major concerns on the sidelines. It was good to see such a positive attitude. This made it so much easier for the new and more experienced referees.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Lou explained to everyone that the club just had their first audit and it was a very big learning experience for her. She wanted to thank Jeff for all the hours he put in to help her out. She couldn't have done it without his help and guidance.

She then proceeded to read over her report. (enclosed) She explained that this upcoming year will be a sponsorship year. The club renews all their sponsors every 3 years. There will be a committee that will be going through town trying to have businesses renew their memberships and approaching any new businesses. This means that the first year of a sponsorship cycle the Club usually finishes with a "profit" for the year and the last year of the three years we usually run a deficit.

Lou went over a few points in regards to bingo. She informed everyone that they will no longer be selling the building as they had said. The biggest point that she made was that there was a very huge need for volunteers. There are only a handful of volunteers that will help out. The club needs so much more to get involved.

Marc Bergeron asked Lou if the Club was in a deficit this year. Lou's response was that this year we did go over budget with the biggest amount going out to equipment. The club purchased all new uniforms for the youth competitive teams as well as some that were required for house league.

Ray Labelle pointed out that since the club had a deficit of \$26,821, how much money was actually on hand. He also wanted to know what the club did with this money. Did the club invest it? It was suggested that have the balance of \$ available. Lou explained that there was a surplus of approximately \$50,000 in a high interest savings account. The money is easily accessible and is getting an interest rate similar or better than many GICs. Approximately \$20,000 is earmarked for field development.

Cameron Duff wanted to know more in regards to the club's fundraising. Carole Bertrand reminded him that magnets and pins were purchased this year to sell to the community. Unfortunately, the intent was to sell the majority during the Girls' Tournament, which did not happen this year. They are on the website and available for anyone who is interested to be purchased.

Ray wanted to know why there was such a drop in Head Coach fees. They went from \$22,195 to \$6,500. Matt explained that the club had just renewed Frank's contract for a 7 month period, for the 2008 season.

The main difference is that now Frank will be controlling all the winter indoor soccer programs. The skill programs will still be through Kemptville Soccer.

Matt stated that as a club we are mandated to have an audit done yearly. It was an eye opener this year. Once a second audit is done the club can apply for the Trillium Grant. These grants are for many different purposes, such as making improvements to existing fields, updating office equipment, and upgrading permanent structures. (ie: Club house) This grant is for helping clubs to promote soccer. He wanted to send a huge thank you to Lou and Jeff for all their long hours getting everything ready for the audit.

At this time Lou read over the auditors report.

Since there were no other comments, Matt wanted a motion to approve the audit report.

**\*\*\*\*\*MOTION MADE BY MARC BERGERON TO APPROVE THE AUDIT REPORT OF 2007. RAY LABELLE SECONDED IT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.\*\*\*\*\***

Now Matt required a motion to pass the appointment of auditors WGP.

**\*\*\*\*\*MOTION MADE BY MARC BERGERON TO KEEP W.G.P. AS AUDITORS. RHONDA ONASANYA SECONDED IT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.\*\*\*\*\***

#### OTHER REPORTS:

WEBMASTER'S REPORT: (enclosed)

Colin Moden informed all that more and more people are going to the club's web page. It was however down in August, possibly due to not having a tournament.

Colin said that 87 different countries visit the website. The website is hosted by Ontario Web. Colin wanted to give thanks, on behalf of Kemptville District Soccer Club, to Ontario Web.

There are only a few new items to point out. One being that the House League schedules were on the website this year. From feedback it was a huge success.

In regards to field locations, ERSL now will be using Google Map to give out all field information.

Colin noted that it was a disappointment that once again there are not up to date photos on the website. He suggested that if anyone had team/action photos, that they should send them in and he would place them on the webpage. Unfortunately, the club gets into a problem with some parents not wanting their child's photo on the web. The registration forms have a spot for the parents to check off if they do or do not want this. However, the majority of forms have not been marked off.

Colin also a little disappointed that he didn't have all the convenors names/phone #s/emails on the web site. This makes communication so much easier for everyone if all this information is handy. He hopes that next year it will be all complete.

Rob Fnukal asked how much the Club pays for the web hosting. Colin said it was free for the club, however other businesses could easily charge us \$50.00 a month.

Ray asked if the Club owned a digital camera. Matt replied that we did own one. Ray said that it would be great for grandparents to be able to go to the website and see their grandchildren's photos on there. Matt suggested that possibly this year we could ask coaches/convenors to take photos and send them to the club.

Marc Bergeron suggested that the club contact OSA and/or ERSL to have them advise how to deal with this situation. Matt said he would look into it because he would love to have photos placed on the web regularly. It would also be great to have the Club sponsors on there. This would be a way to thank them by also advertising for them. Some businesses may be enticed to sponsor the club by this added feature.

At this time Matt wanted to send out a big thanks to Colin and Lou for all there work on keeping the website up to date.

#### COMPETITIVE CONVENOR:

At this time Carole Bertrand read over her report. (enclosed) She was excited to report that both the boys and girls U14Div1 were promoted to Premier for the next season. Congratulations to both those teams. Darryl informed everyone that there was an article about his GU14Div.1 team, in the December 2007 issue, of the Soccer magazine, which Antonella said she would put up in the Club office for all to see.

She also wanted to report that this season the competitive teams all had new jerseys. The feedback was very positive. In regards to the early try-outs, a special thank you to all the parents for their cooperation. It was difficult for the Hockey tryouts were being held around the same time. Carole also commented that it was very unfortunate that the girls' tournament had to be cancelled. We will review it in the New Year. Carole pointed out that the club required more parent volunteers to make the Club run better.

#### SSSL CONVENOR:

Unfortunately, Joyce was unable to attend the meeting, but she did send out a quick email. From her perspective the season went well. Joyce didn't hear too many problems that she needed to get involved with. Joyce received very little feedback from the coaches and parents so assumes there were no concerns. She also did not receive any response for a convenor next year so we need to get the word out that this position is now available. She then wanted to send a thank you to all the volunteers and especially to the executive for a job well done in organizing and keeping up the soccer in Kemptville. Great Job!

At this time Matt wanted to praise Joyce on all her dedicated, hard work. It's never easy to try and get coaches for all the teams. Joyce has been the SSSL convenor for many years and has always done an amazing job. On behalf of the KDSC, a Huge thank you goes out to Joyce. All your hard work was greatly appreciated. We now have big shoes to have to fill.

#### U7 CONVENOR:

Ann Miller read over her report (enclosed) and commented on another great season, despite the first games being in the water as the fields were so wet. The U7 teams enjoyed working with the Head Coach, Frank Onasanya. The team photos were done by Goetz Photos and there didn't seem to be any problems or concerns. Feedback was all good. At the end of the season all had a great time playing against their parents. Ann wanted to send out a HUGE thank you to Tim Horton's for their unending support over the past years and looked forward to working with the

Salvadores again next year.

#### HOUSE LEAGUE COACHES CONVENOR:

Rhonda Onasanya wanted to send a huge thank you to all the volunteers who coached this season. Without all the volunteers, this past season would not have been so successful. So much of your time was given to your players, both at practices and on the field on game days. Thank you for your dedication and time. We all appreciated all your hard work.

She then went over her report (enclosed). This year the Club held 3 OSA Coaches Clinics. 18 participants were from KDSC, with 8 of them completing all 3 levels this year.

This was the first year for U3 and what a huge success it was. We had 43 toddlers registered. There were 6 teams set up with the help of some Div 1 competitive players as their coaches. The parents gave positive feedback and enjoyed that fact that the Club included their young children.

There were 8 HL convenors this year. All went well except a few minor exceptions which were resolved very quickly.

Rhonda had a couple of suggestions for the upcoming new season - that the convenors have access to their age groups information sooner, better communication regarding medals for the end of year and that the club has all the rules set at the beginning of the season.

#### WOMEN'S HOUSE LEAGUE:

Andrea Bergeron was not available to attend so Marc Bergeron spoke on her behalf. There were a total of 71 players this season. Marc wanted to know if the club would pro-rate the fees or make a clearer scale for those who for some reason can only play part of the season - ie: register late

There were too many unregistered players on the fields this year. Unfortunately, players would just show up and play just to make a full team.

Marc suggested that the convenors make up their own team rosters next year. He is hoping to do it all on line. Chris said that all players must have a photo id to match up who they are to the team roster.

Darryl asked Marc if they used game sheets. Matt wants to have a meeting with the HL convenors to make decisions so to prevent having players on the field that are not registered.

Mark said he had a meeting with all the coaches and went over the rules.

Frank wants to see all the coaches present at his meeting. Not so much for discipline but for guidance.

#### MEN'S HOUSE LEAGUE:

This season went very well. It was exciting to have the FIFA U-20 here in Ottawa. Had 5 yellows and 2 red cards. This year Mark was glad to be aware of the cards. The past years he

never was informed. All his players were registered this year. Which was the biggest success for him. He would love to see 6 teams, but it will probably not happen next season.

One of the problems this year was with the U18 HL. He wanted to make it very clear that he never tried to strip any players from the U18 to go to the adult teams.

#### BINGO REPORT:

Rhonda commented that this was probably the hardest year for Bingo as far as getting volunteers to work there and with funds. It was originally stated that the Bingo Hall would be sold, but now, as of November 30, 2007, the charities have decided to keep it open till 2009. Lou already went over most of this report in her treasures report so she said she wouldn't duplicate. The main concern is that there are no volunteers willing to help out. Rhonda wanted to say thank you to the Larones who are always out there along with Lou Judge and her husband Ken. The Bingo must have more volunteers from the KDSC.

Matt wondered if a schedule would be posted on the website, if this would help matters.

#### AMMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS & CONSTITUTION:

There is an amendment to the By-Law stating: If a player or coach receives a disciplinary fine, that player or coach is responsible to pay the full amount to the Kemptville District Soccer Club or the issuing bodies.

**\*\*\*\*\*MOTION MADE BY MARK BERGERON TO PASS THE AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS. TIM SUTTON SECONDED IT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.\*\*\*\*\***

#### MOTION TO ACCEPT TREASURERS POSITION:

**\*\*\*\*\*MOTION MADE BY MARK BEGERON TO ACCEPT LOU JUDGE FOR THE TREASURER POSITION. ANTONELLA AUDET SECONDED IT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.\*\*\*\*\***

#### ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Matt pointed out once again that 2008 will be a sponsorship year. He will be putting together a sponsorship committee so if anyone is interested to please let him now. The more individuals there are the better. He wants information to go out to all the competitive teams that

they are not to approach any businesses that already sponsor the Club. Marc suggested having the sponsors on the website and then visitors can see different businesses. This would also bring extra advertising for the business. Unfortunately, Colin pointed out that many of Kemptville's businesses do not have websites.

Matt pointed out that KDSC is one of the more affordable soccer clubs out there. At this time Matt wanted to once again thank Lou Ballerscheff for all his dedicated hours he put in on Kemptville fields. He is a very devoted individual who cares about the players and was always found out on the fields, whether he was putting lines on them or fixing up the nets. He even made sure that the mini nets had foam on them so the little ones would not get hurt. Thank you Lou for your dedication. We really appreciated all you've done. Matt also informed everyone that Lou has volunteered to continue taking care of the fields, even if he is not on the executive. Thanks Lou.

Matt also wanted to once again thank Dave Cumming for all his hard work getting the South Gower Fields ready.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

At this time in the meeting, Matt went through the list of executives and pointed out which ones were up for renewal:

President: Matt Stevens- 1 year left

Vice-President: Jeff Miller was not returning. Ray Labelle nominated Dave Avery. Seconded by Antonella Audet. Dave accepted. Position acclaimed (2 year term)

Treasurer: Lou Judge- 1 year left

Secretary: Rhonda nominated Antonella Audet. Seconded by Matt. Antonella accepted. Position acclaimed. (2 year term)

Member at Large(Registrar): Linda Stefani-1 year left

Member at Large(Equipment): Kelli Cumming-1 year left

Member at Large: Colin Moden-1 year left

At this time Matt went through the 4 members at large that were up for renewal:

Member at Large: (1 year term) Carole Bertrand accepted to stay on for another term

Member at Large: (1 year term) Ann Miller accepted to stay on for another term

Member at Large: (1 year term) Darryl Lapenskie accepted to stay on for another term

Member at large: (1 year term) Rhonda Onasanya was nominated by Antonella Audet. Seconded by Darryl. Rhonda accepted. Position acclaimed.

Next Matt went through the non-executive members:

Head Coach: Frank Onasanya

Head Referee: Chris Hansen

Discipline Chair: Rob Fnukal

Competitive Convenor: Carole Bertrand  
Coaches Convenor: Ann Miller  
Bingo Convenor: none at this time  
SSSL Convenor: Matt Stevens  
Men's' House League Convenor: Marc Bergeron  
Women's House League Convenor: Andrea Bergeron  
U5 Convenor: None at this time  
U7 Convenor: None at this time  
U9 Convenor: None at this time  
U11 Convenor: None at this time  
Tournament Chair (Girls): None at this time  
Tournament Chair (Boys): None at this time  
Sponsorship/Fundraising Committee: None at this time  
Marketing Team Committee: None at this time  
Webmaster: Colin Moden  
Referee Scheduler: Lou Judge  
Township/KCAT Liaison: Matt Stevens

Matt, on behalf of the Kemptville District Soccer Club, thanked everyone and welcomed all to the new 2008 season.

**\*\*\*\*MOTION TO ADJOURN MADE BY RHONDA ONASANYA.  
SECONDED BY ANTONELLA AUDET. ALL IN FAVOR. MEETING  
ADJOURNED.\*\*\*\*\***