

CMO35 Annual 2019 Meeting

Date: December 1, 2019

Meeting opened: 10:10 am

Roll Call: All teams represented except International & Kosova.

Meeting Minutes: Fall 2019 accepted

Officers reports:

Pres: Roland thanked each member of the BOD for the time and effort they put into the League throughout the year. He also thanked the Referee Assignor for his recruiting of additional referees. He then turned the meeting over to the various BOD members for input.

CC Chairman: Jay reported that there were only two games this past season with 'incidents' requiring CC response. He also mentioned that reports of dissent were down and felt that the new Dissent Rule was working and reminded team coordinators that only team captains may talk to the referees.

Treasurer: Fred went over the budget and stated that the balance up approximately \$2400 from last year with a balance of \$7200. He felt that the increase in the League fees was adequate for now.

Referee Assignor: Anthony reported that the 9:00 AM start time was liked by all referees and hoped it could continue. The referee schedule will be posted on the web-site in the future. He suggested that the League may want to fund Assistant Referee Training in an effort to obtain enough AR's for our games in the future. He reminded all team coordinators that if there was an 'incident' in any of their games that they call or email him with the details so he could address any referee issues.

Secretary: 1st place teams receiving \$200 for their youth league – Chicopee, Grafton & Quabbin. Division changes for Spring 20 – Grafton moves to A, Shrewsbury moves to B, Quabbin moves to B, Uxbridge moves to C. All other teams remain unchanged. The Spring season can begin either April 5th or April 19th and end June 21st or June 28th.

Old Business: The game abandonment rule change was tabled. The three League meeting dates were discussed and voted to remain as is for now. Early March, early August and Annual in November.

New Business: The following Bylaw changes were approved: 1. Amend the League game start time to 9:00AM with a 15-minute grace period to 9:15PM. 2. Team League fee increased to \$250.00. 3. Accepted the FIFA 19/20 Rule changes and agree to make any FIFA rule changes at the Annual meeting only. 4. The league fees bylaw was changed by eliminating the \$200 check to the three-1st place team's youth league to instead fund the same amount to an Assistant Referee Training program. In other new business the addition of a 4th under 35 player was discussed and tabled. It was asked that all Team Coordinators inquire about the possibility of an Over 50 Division to be discussed next meeting. It was asked that the League again look into the use of AR's and funding which was reflexed in a Bylaw change (#4 above) with the details to be discussed at a later time.

Election of Officers: President Roland Butzke, Vice President Jim Loach, Treasurer Fred Lamas, Secretary Jack Keough, Referee Assignor Anthony Pedolzyk, Competition Committee – Jay Cohen, Mike Engel, P.J. Bernhardt, Jim Loach, Anthony Pedolzyk & Al Pimentel. All members ran unopposed.

Next meeting: Spring Meeting – To be scheduled in early March. Date/Time/Place TBD

Meeting closed: 12:05pm