

MMS Executive Meeting  
Wednesday October 23, 2013

Present: Rick Sadler, Melinda Sadler, Tim Wilton, Mills Farmus, Carrie Russell,  
Regrets: Gordon Johnston

Item	Discussion	Action
Call to Order	Meeting Called to order @6:40pm	
Previous Meeting Minutes	<b>MOTION</b> by Mills, Second by Carrie to adopt the minutes from the last Executive/GMM Meeting <b>CARRIED</b>	
Treasurers Report	Bank Balance is approx. \$22,000 <b>MOTION</b> by Carrie, Second by Tim Wilton to accept the treasurers report as presented. <b>CARRIED</b>	
Field Update	We were notified in September 2013 the golf course property had been sold, effective October 7 <sup>th</sup> . We had to clear out all of nets, the shed and equipment. Mills and Rick attended Grey Highlands Council and have requested that they assist us with trying to secure the approximately 10 acres of County land, located behind the Municipal Offices in Markdale. The goal is to secure the land and develop both the U6/U8 Mini fields and the new required U12 ¾ field in time for the 2014 soccer season. This may be unrealistic so we need to have some back-up plans...we are optimistic that we may be able to secure the golf course land for one more season in 2014, taking some of the pressure off of us. We may be able to just make 4 mini fields and the new required 60 X 80 U12 field all at the golf course but we have not received approval for that at this time. The last ditch plan would be to play across our U10 fields for 2014, which would give us 4 U6/U8 fields and get us through next season until a long term plan can be made. This would still require us to develop the land at the back of the Chapman's Soccer Complex for the U12 field. The estimate would be in the \$6,000.00 to \$8,000.00 range, considering the cost of the construction, top soil, sod, etc. More meetings and discussions are planned. It will be an ongoing issue and is our number 1 priority over the winter, to secure enough fields to play on.	
Lakeshore Soccer League	We had 7 teams participating in the Lakeshore Soccer League in 2013. All of our teams were competitive and the Girls Under 12 and the Girls Under 16 teams won gold medals, the Under 14 Boys won Silver and the Under 20 Boys won bronze. The off field stuff was very concerning, there were a lot of issues this season with the way that the league was operated...the website did not work all season long, the cup draw did not go as planned, meetings did not happen, there was very little communication from the Executive and it was generally a very frustrating season from a Management point of view. The soccer was fine, the refereeing was fine, etc. but there will have to be changes for next year so that things run much smoother.  Next Lakeshore Meeting to be in Dec 2013	
Intercounty County Soccer League	We entered 2 - U8 travel teams, 2 - U10 travel teams and 2 co-ed U12 teams into the I.C.S.L. This was a new league that we formed with Mt. Forest, Hanover and Durham. It ran very well, it was a bit awkward because both Durham and Hanover decided at the last	

	<p>minute to put all of their house league teams into the league, creating a much larger pool of teams than was planned and created a competitive imbalance. This will be addressed along with the field issues, (ie. Not all teams had proper size fields and nets, etc. making the experience less than stellar when we travelled...) All of our teams were competitive in all age groups.</p>	
Age Group Updates and Projections for 2014	<p>Rick gave a detailed report of projected team splits and 2014 projections based on 2013 registrations and previous year trends</p>	
Rep Teams	<p>There is a girls Under 13 L5 rep team that has started in Markdale and will play in S.W.R.S.L. for the 2014 season. This team will consist of a strong nucleus of Markdale players, but will have some talented players from our neighboring towns that will help us compete at the rep level. This will be a first for M.M.S. There has been a lot of work done to get to this point. We held an information session for parents and sent out an information package to all of the teams in Lakeshore, G.B.Y.S.L. and surrounding leagues, inviting players to come and try out for this team. The response has been overwhelming and we had more than 30 female athlete's tryout this team this fall, from all over Grey, Bruce and Wellington Counties. There definitely is enough interest to operate a rep team out of Markdale next summer. The Coaching staff has signed a core group of 11 players and has invited 10 other players to train indoors with the team over the winter months to prepare for next season. The final team will be selected in April. This team will run under the umbrella of M.M.S. but will be an independent team, as they will be responsible for much higher league fees, insurance, referee costs, etc. and they have and will be charging parents a rep fee, on top of their registration fee. We will continue to monitor the expenses and assist where we can. As mentioned, there may also be a Boys U11 rep team for 2014, but that has not been finalized.</p>	
Website	<p>It has been a wonderful resource for families and has virtually cut the need for endless emails, as all of the information is available in one click. Rick met with Dragon Fly Designs at the end of the season and have made some updates and changes to make it more user friendly. Work will continue to keep adding more pictures, information, news blasts, things like the British Soccer Camp and Coaches clinics, possibly on-line registration etc. will all be going onto the site with links, so that people come to our site, find what they need and then follow the links to the O.S.A. or S.W.R.S.A.</p>	
Coaches	<p>This is going to be a very important aspect of our season. With the O.S.A. implementing the L.T.P.D. changes for 2014 we are going to need to train our coaches more than ever before. When Owen Sound cancelled that clinic last minute, that really hurt us. We had 11 more coaches ready to go and they never found other clinics. Rick will be follow up with the O.S.A. about us or the Lakeshore Soccer League hosting a clinic or two as there will literally be hundreds of coaches from our area/program that will need to take a course.</p>	Table to next meeting
Referees	<p>MMS needs additional refs</p>	Table

Fundraising	We held 1 fundraiser in 2013. We cleared just over \$4,000.00 and have paid off all of our loans. We will be fundraising next year for the construction of our new field or fields. One Ice Cream Fundraiser to be held in 2014. Needs to be organized earlier.	Table
Photography	Future Stars was provided a great service again this year. Included was a full team sponsorship, Chapmans Sponsor Poster, Sponsor plaques, Team Photo Disc	
Projected Capital Projects for 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soccer Fields</li> <li>• Advanced Field Sprayer (\$4000-\$8000)</li> <li>• Back Stops North and South ends of Chapmans 'B'(\$4000)</li> <li>• New nets for new U12 field (\$3000)</li> </ul>	Table
Registration for 2014 Season	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide and On-line print and mail option with a deadline</li> <li>• 2 Registration Dates for February/March</li> </ul>	Table
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