

*Peninsula Soccer Association - Annual General Meeting  
March 15, 2007- Mary Winspear Centre  
Minutes*

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm

**MOTION** (Sharon Guenther) 2<sup>nd</sup> (Anne Buxton) to adopt "Roberts Rules of Order" to conduct this meeting. **CARRIED**

2. Minutes

**MOTION** (Terri O'Keeffe) 2<sup>nd</sup> (Sharon Guenther) That the minutes of the AGM from March 30, 2006 be accepted. **CARRIED**

3. **Welcome/Introductions** - Dave Erb introduced the members of the Board and expressed thanks for their support this past year.

4. **Annual Report** (Dave Erb)

2006 saw the completion of Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Blue Heron project which involved installation of the lights and the completion of the fields. We had planned to move forward with Phase 3, the clubhouse, but due to unforeseen increases in costs of goods and equipment we were unable to do so. Because funds are tight and building costs have skyrocketed since the project began, we are entertaining ideas other than the original plan. A big concern is that we don't want to leave a legacy of debt for the club. One idea we're looking at is moving an existing building onto the site. In the meantime the fields at Blue Heron are the best in the district. They have held up very well despite the poor weather. We were the envy of other clubs on many wet days when they had shut down their fields and we were the only ones with a field open. It's very exciting to drive by on the highway and see our children playing under the lights; it adds a real energy to the community. After many years of searching it's great to feel like we have a place to call home.

In the last couple of months the parking lot was improved. Special thanks to Pete Stepaniuk who donated his time to do this. We now also have paths leading from the field to the parking lot and the new concession. Thanks to Sharon Guenther and Kim Erb who cleaned up the old concession at Blue Heron and have got this operational. This will be a new source of revenue for the club and we'll volunteers to help manager that. Other things on the "To Do" list for Blue Heron this year include improving drainage on the periphery of the field, installing fencing, erecting lights in the parking lot, making improvements to the road way and improvement of the general park appearance with shade trees, seating etc. The rate that we progress on this will depend on funds available.

Many thanks to Val Scott-Moncrieff who took on chair of the Blue Heron Committee and John Teeney and Terri O'Keeffe who also served on the Committee this year. Also many thanks to all of the volunteers, contractors, businesses that have seen the project through to this point and thanks to our members for their continued support, input, and patience as we enter our next year.

On our other fields, we have negotiated another 5 year agreement to continue to use Diamonds 1,2,4 and 5 at Rotary Park. We'll continue to have use of the concession and we also now have access to their Boardroom for meetings. At Iroquois new practice lights have been installed. Thanks to Glen Stewart and Canem Electric for the donation of the lights and the installation. Thanks to Bob Parks we have the best painted lines in all of Lower Island. Thanks to Debbie McRae, Eric Bye and Sarah Higgs for their weekly Scheduling of Games.

Technical Development went quite well this year with Terry Bouthillier looking after the development schedule. Unfortunately many of our Coach Development sessions were not well attended this year. This is really important so we'll need to look this year on what we can do to make improvements. We are at the end of our contract with Brett Hyslop and have put out a Request for Proposals for the position of Technical Director.

This year with our Referees, we saw the introduction of the Super 8's model of competition in our district. Our Class five referees have adapted extremely well to this new format. Congratulations to all our referees who received

appointments to the various Cup competitions. Our regular referee development monthly meetings have proven a valuable tool to increase the quality of our referees.

In our recruitment endeavors we are looking at the possibility of establishing an adult team that will provide our graduating players with the opportunity to stay with our club. We're also looking at doing more to raise the profile of soccer in the community to recruit more youth members.

One thing we did this year to raise money and our profile in the community was to increase our inventory of Peninsula Soccer clothing and gear. By putting in an order before the beginning of the season, most kids were able to get their sweats and hoodies right away. We increased the types of clothing available and doubled our sales from last year by setting up clothing sales at Blue Heron, Rotary Park and at the locker. We are happy to see so many children and parents wearing Peninsula clothing. It helps to build pride in our club and shows the community what a large number of soccer players live in the Peninsula.

We kept our uniform and equipment purchases to a minimum this year as dollars were needed for Blue Heron. At the beginning of the year BC Soccer changed the soccer ball size for one age group after we had already purchased our balls. Unfortunately we couldn't return them as we had already stamped them with our logo. So, thanks to the coaches who were understanding when they received the odd ball that wasn't the right size.

We made improvements to our website this year. A big thank you to Duncan Kinzie who led us through this. Minutes of meetings will now be posted there regularly so members can stay informed, Policy Manual is being updated and all other important information for the club will be updated on a regular basis. In conclusion I think as a club we had a very successful year and looking forward to continue success for the coming year. Thank you again for your support this past year.

## 5. Treasurers Report

Financial statements for the period ending February 28, 2007 were reviewed.

**MOTION** (April Ogloff) 2<sup>nd</sup> (Bob Hope) That the financial statements for the year March 1, 2006 to February 28, 2007 be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

**MOTION:** (April Ogloff) 2<sup>nd</sup> (Terri O'Keefe) That the budget for the year March 1, 2007 to February 28, 2008 be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

**6. Elections** Terri O'Keefe announced that the following positions are up for election: President, Vice-President and 5 Board Positions (currently held by Kim Erb and Bob Hope plus 3 positions left vacant as a result of the resignations of Alex Campbell, Terry Bouthillier and Mike Schmidt)

The following were nominated, accepted the nomination and acclaimed:

President	Dave Erb	Board Member Eric Bye
Vice President	Bob Hope	Board Member Richard Mosher
Board member	Jordon Dagg	Board Member Kim Erb
Board Member	Duncan Kenzie	

Meeting Adjourned