



Indoor 2021-22 Semi-Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Maple Leaf Almrausch Club House, 8:59 p.m.

3928 Farmers Way, Carlsbad Springs (<https://www.mlac.ca/contact/>)

Proposed agenda

1. Adoption of agenda

- Amendments/Additions: 1) Discussion on adding spares to playoffs (indoor and outdoor) 2) Discussion on spares to play regardless of numbers 3) Keeper recruitment and retention, and succession
- Motion to adopt the agenda
 - Motion: James
 - Seconded by Matt
 - Passed

2. Business arising from the minutes of 2021 September SAGM (see file sent with *BA Update*)

- a. New dome at Garneau in 2022: update
 - Official approval has been received
 - Will begin construction shortly; could possibly be ready by October
 - May need to revisit this throughout the summer
 - Current dome is not being maintained properly; very expensive for the quality
 - Unsure if requested hours have been approved; private partner is taking care of the management, should know within a month and a half what the bookings will be
 - Frank: when do we signal to Hornets about dome bookings
 - Takes place some time in June, can cancel until a month prior
- b. Proposal from JDG Park for 2023 outdoor (see analysis sent with *BA Update*)
 - The have officially proposed a plan about using the two fields and whether or not we would be interested in switching operations
 - Do not need to apply for Potvin until November
 - JDG Park will likely be busy; may need to commit early to secure our time
 - Fields are lined for 7v7 and 9v9
 - City only needs a month's notice to cancel Potvin
 - Proposal: guarantee German club would be open after games (10:30am)
 - Natural grass will be filled in by next year
 - Rates would be \$165 for the entire pitch, grass pitch would not be much more expensive. Costs would be similar to Potvin
 - Frank: is there a patio situation?
 - a. Would need to apply for a special licence for alcohol outside
 - Bad Alibi is a new sponsor who is treating us very well
 - Tom: still a consideration for winter for Bad Alibi
 - Working with Dragons to improve the maintenance of Potvin
 - Deadline for proposal: end of the summer

- Earlier you make your decision, the better
- Tom: is it an annual agreement?
 - a. We would need to renew annually, or chat with Ron and get a deal
- c. **Sponsorship:** The move from Blackburn Arms to The Bad Alibi
 - We have switched our sponsor to The Bad Alibi
 - Goal is to not associate league with a sponsor anymore, hence why it will stay as BA soccer
 - The Arms was not meeting what we felt we were putting in to it as customers
 - Bad Alibi is giving a much better deal (free nachos, cheaper food)
 - Thanks to Denis for his work, alongside James, for lining up Bad Alibi and ensuring a reasonable leave from the Arms
 - Bad Alibi is happy with us so far
 - Trophies have been recovered
 - 10% of all sales go towards end of year party
 - We are good to reserve the patio
- d. Questions? Corrections?
 - None
- e. Motion to accept the Sept. 2021 SAGM minutes
 - Motion: Matt
 - Seconded by: Nik
 - Approved

3. Financial update and statements (Brian Garson)

- a. Indoor 2021-22 budget summary
 - Surplus of roughly \$1700
 - League covered JDG Park rentals with this
 - Additional prizes have been acquired
 - Can keep a reserve of \$5k, no more
 - Anything above 5k is spent back on the league
 - We also increased our donations to Gloucester Hornets and Dragons benevolent fund
- b. Outdoor 2022 budget forecast
 - N/A
- c. Motion to approve financial statements
 - Motion: Bodo
 - Seconded by: Dave W.
 - Approved
- d. Restructuring
 - No longer a standing committee
 - Jim says we should be good to have two reviews from arms length members

4. Updates

- a. Discipline (card count)
 - Only seven cards throughout all of indoor season
 - A lot more self policing now, better adherence to league behavior standards
 - Refs are very impressed and appreciate reffing the league
 - One team went cardless throughout the year
 - Restructuring:
 - Used to have standing permanent committees
 - Decided to abolish the standing committee on discipline

- VP will now be overseeing it
- Form letters that will be sent from the VP
- b. Spares management
 - See Amendment 1) Spares in the playoffs
 - Three teams have had to play without subs because there are no spares allowed
 - Spares can play throughout the season and impact the regular season standings
 - Not having subs can lead to injuries
 - Brian Garson brought this forward
 - Structure: everybody is currently ranked by tiers
 - a. Idea is to replace the player at a tier below
 - b. Maroun: Why not at the same tier?
 - i. People complain
 - ii. Ratings are subjective
 - c. Could be a good compromise for the playoffs
 - d. James: would this be the format for only playoffs?
 - i. Yes
 - e. Phil: Think this is a great idea
 - f. M-A: May as well just go for a like for like
 - g. Nik: college students leave before playoffs, something to consider
 - h. Tom: Simply agreed with like for like
 - i. Spares pool is fairly deep, can make this work
 - Motion is that we allow spares in the playoffs, same format, like for like
 - a. Motion: Tom
 - b. Seconded: Marc-André
 - c. Motion passed
 - Summer season spares motion : If a spare is available, bring them out
 - Current threshold is 13 players or more means no spares
 - Will still assign spares a game
 - Guys are not fighting for playing time, fighting for a sub
 - a. Yanic: one of the teams is going to have someone drop out the day of
 - b. Dave W.: Can we up it to three subs on the side?
 - c. James: Concern is if you have too many subs on the sideline. Thinks we don't have enough subs coming out, thinks two is fine
 - d. Dave W.: Idea is that three subs would be available
 - e. Subs are still assigned by need
 - f. Phil: Comment made about bringing in a sub without an assignment, sat the whole game. Could have a floater come in.
 - g. Ryan: Agrees with James, cannot be a free-for-all. Agrees it needs to be more flexible.
 - h. Guys take advantage of the squad strength and depth. Doesn't allow for weaker subs to play
 - i. Maroun: Three spares should be a minimum
 - j. Adam: When you didn't have subs, quality of play decreases
 - k. Jeff: Idea of bringing out people to get the magic number.
 - l. Frank: bring out all the subs is only five or six
 - m. Matt: needs to be realistic, number of vacancies need to be there
 - n. Yanic: is it relevant? We are rarely above two spares
 - New motion: less than 14 you can request a sub (for outdoor)
 - Motion: Tom
 - Seconded by: Bodo

- Approved
- c. Website
 - We will have a new website ready for start of summer season
 - Entire operation is being switched to TeamSnap
 - Brian did a ton of negotiating and programming to figure this out
 - Programmed algorithm in TeamSnap for playoffs
 - Paying \$500 a year, wordpress style
 - Brian took this on by himself
 - We will now have full throttle control over this
 - Marc-André: no brainer for TeamSnap due to compatibility with the app. Entering scores, attendance etc.
 - Phil: keeping data from BA website?
 - Yes, will be archived, Nik will transfer all to the new website.
- d. Restructuring Exec and other operations
 - Needed to assign specific portfolios to members of the Exec
 - New structure allows for this, Director of positions
 - Will give a clearer picture for league members when applying for Exec positions, gives them initiative when they step into the role
 - Ray has created a timeline for who has to do what and when
 - Frank: now that we have specific roles, we can also do a better job of putting the right guys in the right boxes

5. Elections/Recruitment

- a. Jim and Rhys are running elections
- b. President
 - Nomination: Frank (self nominated)
 - Seconded: Ray Martel
 - Approved
- c. Vice-president
 - Nomination: Denis
 - Seconded: Frank
 - Approved
- d. Treasurer
 - Nomination: Matt D'Souza
 - Seconded by Brian
 - Approved
- e. Spares coordinator (might become an Exec position, to be confirmed)
 - Move by Dave Willy
 - Seconded by Ray
 - Approved
 - Assistant Spares Coordinator
 - Move by Chris
 - Seconded by Colin
 - Approved
- f. Directorships on the Executive (portfolios to be either announced at the SAGM or determined by the newly elected Exec afterwards)
 - IT & Media:
 - Move by Brian
 - Seconded by Frank
 - Approve
 - Awards & Events
 - Move by Tom

- Seconded by Glen
- Approved
- Admin / Secretariat
 - Move by Doug
 - Seconded by Rhys
 - Approved
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 - Move by Bernie

6. Other business

- Special motions received by email before the SAGM
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- Special motions tabled at the SAGM, if majority of members present agree to consider them
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See amendment 3 – keeper succession

- Goal is to increase recruitment and retention
- Motion is to make it free for keepers to play
- Joe: worries that make it free without a commitment
- Matt: Does the cost factor in to it?
- Tom: Do we have a trial period?
- Jim: We did have trouble in the past, recruited younger and it was fine. Younger kids have a cost barrier. Maybe they play for free a season?
- Does not need to be finalized now
- Something to think about for later

Move to do off-season training year round

- Goal is for maintenance and community
- Motion: Frank
- Second: Tom
- Approved

Pub culture

- Wanting to increase culture at the pub
- League is raffling off tickets every week to Atletico
- Wanting to keep building on this
- We currently have a group rate with Atletico, 20% off for a game

7. Outgoing president's address / New president's address

8. Adjournment, followed by the usual beer, banter and tomfoolery

- Move by Ray
- Seconded by Jim
- Passed