



# UPPER ISLAND SOCCER ASSOCIATION

**UISA –Tier 3/House Planning Meeting**  
**Saturday June 4, 2016**  
**Quality Inn Bayside, Parksville – 11:00am**

**Members Present:** Claudia Vachon (CVUSC), Brad Nixon (UISA Director), Carl Neibel (UISA Director), Glen Murphy (GYSA), John Cooper (OYSS), Marc Paris (UISA Director)

**Guests:** Christine Carson (UISA Administrator)

**Regrets:** Tim Richards (MIYSA), Warren Cudney (UISA Director), Barrie MacDonald (PRYSA), Brad Berry (AVYSA), Al Rimell (CRYSA).

## Agenda:

- 1) **UISA TD meetings** – Carl and Christine – UISA has met twice with TDs this year and hopes to continue with these meetings, timed to precede General meetings. Main topics of last two meetings: coach development, coach certification, Tier 3 Super8, Tier 3 for older ages, cup playdown formats.
- 2) **2016-17 season schedule planning:** coach development plans – have clubs planned coaching weekends to start season? Labour Day weekend or Sept 10/11???? Any club scheduling requests? **Courses planned:** HCFC – Active start Sept 9, Fundamentals Sept 11, Learn to Train Sept 18 and 25, Soccer for Life Oct 1 and 15. Oceanside probable Soccer for Life. CVUSC –Active Start planned in August, new TD Matt Thomas incoming in July will need to confirm. Port Alberni scheduling conflict – fall fair weekend Sept 10/11.  
**Super 8 jamborees** – CVUSC would like to host Sept 11 for girls, other dates should be in mid-October (avoid VIPL double-game weekend) and just before December break in indoor facility (hosted by Oceanside?). Jamborees in the New Year to be determined depending on cup play needs. Christine to contact Karen about LISA participation in jamborees.
- 3) **2016-17 planning for Super8:** A) review Super 8 rules and best practice docs. **Action:** Clubs to send any feedback on changes by June 20. Christine to follow up in writing with clubs and put out GYSA suggestion to increase recommended playing time. B) Free transfer of players/multiple changes of roster preferred, or once again do seeding round and ability-matched competition? Discussion of options. Teams to play a seeding round then teams scheduled for remainder of year, movement between pools after Christmas only by written request (email due by Dec 1), no UISA scheduler re-review and reseeding. Transfer of up to 3 players (per BCSA rules) allowed and can be utilized to recognize kids who develop especially quickly/rather slowly and shuffle them to a more developmentally-appropriate spot. C) Extensive discussion of Super 8 access to B-cup. Carl suggestion- UISA will

commit to asking BC soccer special permission to host 8-aside B-cup event, perhaps as a demonstration cup.

- 4) **Tier 3 teams anticipated for 2016-17** – preliminary report from all clubs present, written declarations will be due to UISA by June 30.
- 5) **Tier 3 Jamboree commitment** – jamboree responses required only 2 weeks before the event, yet we still have teams pulling out at the last minute, causing lots of lost scheduling work and delaying event information for all those that attend. How to make sure teams follow through on their declarations? Discuss implementing fines – good support from clubs. Follow amounts for league fines- fines applied for cancellation with less than 14 days’ notice.
- 6) **Possible new district event: UISA Easter Cup** – proposed 8-aside event for Tier 3 and 11-aside event for U14-U18 teams, open to teams throughout the province, teams will pay a fee to enter. Shared hosting – would clubs be willing to take on one or two age groups, could become a repeat/known host for age groups of their choice if tournament succeeds and grows. HCFC willing to host. Anticipate four 60-minute games per team, one of which is playdown, spread over Sat-Sun-Mon (similar to Slurpee cup). Good initial response from clubs. **Action:** clubs to discuss and give feedback by August.
- 7) **Possible U21 district program** - for 2017-18. Look to establish a district U21 program (males and females) at a recreational level, to provide opportunity for young adults. Would not operate at the same competitive level as VISL U21. Hope to offer opportunity for players to continue to play together into young adulthood. Clubs to discuss whether they would anticipate an interested cohort for such a league, starting in 2017-18.