

Conduct Meeting
May 12, 2010

Our first Conduct Meeting for Spring Season was held last night at the Crows Nest. I thank all of you for your support in every way in getting all information timely so we could move with all pending issues timely and fairly. All members Voted either by presence or by mail. We all are very fortunate that we have had our veteran, Harry, in attendance and for his wisdom and guidance at the meeting re rules as well as Evan's, our Rules Cmtte Cmn , opinion and guide so we could move with all the issues of conduct to a conclusion and make recommendation to the Board. I also commend and thank Randy, our Premier Coordinator for the extra time taken by attending such meeting and having all supportive data for each of the cases especially that all issues pertained to the Premier Division. The following is the Summary of rulings as should be recorded by Otto, the USL Recording Sec.

In attendance:

Harry, Efraim, Dieter , David and Avi. (Board Members).

Mike, Jim, Tony, Victor, Lou (Conduct Members)

Randy (Conduct Coordinator).

Bill and Evan (Proxy-email).

In the case of Santa Fe vs. Macedonia: All voted in favor of Macedonia and the record will be CHANGED from the Santa Fe win of 2:1 and reflect a 1:0 Win in favor of Macedonia. (Forfeit). The assumed "under aged player's" proof of age has not been produced timely as requested. His Pass was returned to Dieter. If the Player , Amir Reda, wishes to enroll in the future with any team he will be fined on a pro rata basis as rules dictate if his real age was , indeed , below 40. No fines were imposed on the Santa Fe Manager OR Team.

It is the Committee's recommendation to bring the Registration issue with respect to the Manager's and Team collective responsibility as to the Age and Proof on all future sign ups at the next General Meeting for a vote to become the rule and enforced on all future player applications as stated on the application and signed by Manager and prospect player.

In the case of Traquinas vs. Ballyowen: Majority voted to uphold the suspension of Traquinas player # 10, based on a RED card , who attended and testified to us and follow with the USL rule of only TWO (2) games suspension and not impose any further penalties. The Members also voted on the same case with Manager Joe Raimundo as to his "lack of involvement" as per referee's game report, to only a warning.

It is the Committee's recommendation to bring this issue at the next General Meeting for a vote as to Managers' responsibility for the Teams behavior at game time.

In the case of Hoboken vs. Ballyowen: The Player already suspended as rules applied in RED card issuance as two games. As to Manager Jim Harba , who is also a member of the Conduct Committee and was in attendance, the majority issued a simple warning as to his " lack of involvement" with Team based on Referee's Game Report. However, recommended that Jim, a long time veteran , must display a better attitude with referees even if there are outside hardship issues involve his travel time to a remote location and any other issues that could be avoided by communication !!!

It is the Committee's recommendation with Manager Jim as in the case of Joe, Manager of Traquinas , as above.

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In the case of Ballyowen vs. Sparta: Player # 21, Nigel Cunniffe, Pass # C00126 of Ballyowen was suspended for the Two Games as RED card issued. However, it was the desire of the majority of the Board Members in addition to the Conduct Members in attendance that recommended and voted to add a full year suspension. However, Player can appeal his suspension at the end of the Spring Season to the Board.

It is ,again, the Committee's recommendation that the suspension of such player who display such unbecoming behavior will receive a lengthy time of suspension and apply forward to every player that display such behavior and not only apply the punishment as specified by rule of a RED card.

The Committee also had recommended that in all future game schedules, NO one referee shall have more than two games per season involvement with one team. Case in point. Ref McKim was the referee in all of the above three cases and the Ballyowen Team. It is also recommended that Efraim will report to the Conduct Chmn and the Board as to his observation at the next game with McKim on the next scheduled game with Ballyowen.

Please find below Efraim's notes as to the meeting last night.

Lets hope that the remainder of the Spring Season will bring NO additional cases for us to review. Please enjoy the games and thank you again for your support.