Greater Portland City League Captains' Summary of Board Minutes November 15, 2007

Call to Order: President Rosie Hamilton called the meeting to order at 9:25 am. Board members attending: Beth Burczak, Marianne Conroy, Mary Davis, Rosie Hamilton, Donna Hanlon, Jenn Heinrich, Roberta Kanter, Nancy Kuntzmann, Judith Lazo, and Sue Lucke. Absent were: Sarah Ansboury and Leslie Ballard.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the October 18, 2007 board meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Conroy distributed the monthly report.

Report on New Website:

- Mid-Season Roster Changes. The mid-season roster changes can be made from December 15 to January 7. Matches are scheduled until mid-December so the period for roster changes was moved back. Conroy will draft instructions describing the process for mid-season roster changes to be forwarded by Division Reps to all the captains prior to December 15.
- **Frequently Asked Questions.** Conroy drafted a FAQ page for using the new website. The final FAQ will be sent to captains and will be posted on the website.

Division Rep Reports: Conroy (C Division) – Captains raised the issue that the score sheets differ from the web screen when entering the scores. The goal is to format the Official Score Sheet to match the website. Conroy will pursue and then notify captains if change is made.

Corresponding Secretary Report: No correspondence to report.

Old Business:

• **Revisiting the one/two season issue.** On September 21, 2006, the Board voted as follows: "The split season will be addressed June through August of 2007." The board did not address the issue during that time frame and the issue was raised again to this board. Players supporting a mid-season move stated that some teams find it difficult to maintain first place to the end of the May season as they lose members due to injury or travel. Opponents of a mid-season change state that schedule changes would be difficult, especially for teams impacted by a Tuesday/Wednesday change. Also, some teams enjoy the challenge of a re-match with teams in the spring season.

Motion: "The City League Board will not review the one versus two season issue."

Motion Failed.

Motion: "Each Division Representative will contact their team captains to ask if there is an interest in revisiting the split-season format, (where the top finishers move up to the next level and the lowest place move down in December). Responses are due at the next Board meeting."

Motion carried. The President will immediately send the request to each Division Rep to be forwarded to team captains. We are simply "testing the waters" by contacting team captains but not conducting a formal survey of members at this time.

• **Distribution of Teams.** The uneven distribution of teams for some clubs was discussed. No further discussion and the issue was dropped.

New Business: Davis Cup organizers are still looking for volunteers. Division representatives were asked to forward the flyer to the captains.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am.

There will be no board meeting in December. The next Board meeting will be Thursday, January 17, 2008 at 9:15 am.

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