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FSR Sport-Technical Meeting - Clubs' Notes and Comments

Subject: DTN Presentation (Please refer to Power Point Presentation)

Notes / Comments:

1. Senior Competition

"Excellence A & B" – is the proposed name. We are open to suggestions of an alternative name.

"Challenge League"? – **(ALL to propose)**

Dates for Play-offs 2016: clubs asked that we publish which match-up will be played on which date (with teams to be filled in later). – **(KURT to publish dates and matchups)**

Question: Do clubs have to fulfil just Senior, Junior and kids category or also 7s, women, etc? If so, we will have no teams in LNA in August. Answer: that's the long-term goal but the first categories to focus on will be kids and juniors, more to be added into later.

Question: "Reserve" championship is often filled with "old" veterans who want to beat up young guys. Should FSR impose some rules / restrictions about that? Answer: that's along-existing problem. It is within the future goals to improve this but we don't have the perfect answer for this problem yet.

Comment: there are large differences between some reserve teams and others.

Rules for Excellence league: take on aspects from 1st league (U19 rules? Player numbers 12 etc). Will propose detailed solutions on this question. – **(SEBASTIEN to propose)**

2. Cup Competition

In principle seems like a good concept.

Question: why make a swiss cup of only 8 teams with no entry from FSR cup? Is it not total replay of the LNA games? Answer: last year no cup (as voted by all club presidents), this year introduced 8 team Swiss Cup. Next year: reintroduce FSR cup

SUGGESTION: keep the cup competitions voluntary. Open Swiss Cup to NLA and some LNB Elite teams. Make FSR cup voluntary (minimum 4 teams entered). – **(SEBASTIEN to find formula and propose)**

Future: revise again if competition successful

3. Finals Day

Comment: Can we publish a cahier de charges for organizers of Suisse Rugby Day and for League Finals Day and Cup Final? – **(VERONIKA to prepare and publish)**

4. Club Bonus System

In principle comments are positive and clubs are in favor.

Question: How to add/split numbers of junior players regarding ERRL? Zurich Academy? ACGR? Others? Answer: Numbers must add up respective to the number of clubs involved.

Remarks from clubs:

This system will give a sporting advantage thanks to non-sporting criteria. For the players this might be hard to swallow.

The system rewards those who are working well and are fulfilling other goals than just 23 first-team player who win matches

The system achieves what we want to develop in Swiss Rugby but punishes at first those who are not yet ready.

Different Question: in Geneva it is not allowed to go into schools to present / teach rugby, same for Valais. Answer: Sebastien with ACGR can help to resolve these problems locally.

Question: should all licenses be invoiced or only the ones who appear on match sheets? FSR to clarify system for the future.

Other comments:

FSR to Enter Bishops Cup (St. Galen) into calendar: 18-19.06.2016