



## Swan City Football Club

### Regular Board Meeting June 6, 2022 at 7:30 PM

- Present: Derek Van Tassell , Lynda Atamanchuk, Jesse Noppibul, , Brigitte Benning, Corrie Funk, Ricardo Pillay
- Regrets: Amber Pickrell, Robert Kirk, Chad Moore, Jeff Haakstad,
- Staff: Houssam Chattri, David Rojas

#### 1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Derek Van Tassell chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:43 pm.

#### 2.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

##### Motion 01

To adopt the revised agenda of June 6, 2022, with the following additions added to the revised agenda:

- i) Football at CKC request to partner with SCFC for city grant;
- ii) Invite Gord Mah to next board meeting and discuss vacant position on the board; and
- iii) Guest attendee: Jessica Winterford was unable to attend to discuss 4HER program. Tabled

Moved by: Jesse

Seconded by: Ricardo

**Carried**

#### 3.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

##### 3.1 May 2, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

##### Motion 02

To adopt the Board Meeting Minutes dated May 2, 2022

Moved by: Tabled

Seconded by:



## 4.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

### 4.1 Financial Reports Dated: April 30, 2022

#### Motion 03

To approve the financial reports for April 30, 2022 as presented.

Moved by: Brigitte

Seconded by: Lynda

Carried

## 5.0 ED/TD/Committee Reports

### 5.1 All Committee Reports

#### 5.2 Executive Director Report

**Facilities** - Pitch 1 activities are limited to our office work Monday- Friday, S&C sessions on Sundays, and private bookings. Klean-rite scheduled to come on a biweekly basis.

- Rotary building spring clean up done by Klean-rite, volunteer players and coaches. Disposal bin from pitch 1 has been moved to Rotary Fields for the summer.

- Lining and mowing of Rotary Fields began May 13th . Done by Youssef (took the lining contract from Jess) and Ron Bates.

- Fire extinguishers and first aid kits need to be replaced/restocked.

- Windows at Rotary building need to be replaced. Window guard proposed for added security.

- Discussed new paint job for the Rotary building and deck. Houssam working on getting a quote to have a mural of soccer legends done.

- End of the season cleanup and winterization of Rotary fields to be done late August.

**Outdoor League** - Adult outdoor leagues underway. 7 v 7 format for men's and women's league. 1-2-1 game format for both leagues. 1 division for each league.

- We have 14 referees available for the outdoor season. It is hoped every game will have three referees.

**Competitive/Development Youth** - All programs and leagues are underway.

- Pitch 1 will be our training center for our Sunday strength and condition sessions. Ideal location in terms of equipment storage and accessibility.

- First tournaments and league play have taken place in Edmonton.

- U11 Girls development has 17 players. Coach Jess is looking after this group. Good feedback from parents as they want their kids to have more soccer exposure. Ideally, we will have a tournament team for indoor 2022-2023.

**Grassroots** - Full Play No Pay has been moved from TLC to Rotary fields. This change will allow us to have more control over field conditions. Executive Director Report June 6th, 2022

**Fundraising/Grants** - Sunrise Rotary Funding (\$5,000) – pending decision

- Cars for Christmas (\$5,000 - \$15,000). Deadline to apply is June 9th – pending decision

- Donations from Paramount & CSV – Reached out, waiting to receive checks



### 5.3 Technical Director Report

#### Programming

**Policies:** • Strength and conditioning program developed and finalized by David Rojas for our high performance teams (U13 - U17 Boys and Girls). \$2500 was spent to purchase the equipment needed for the program. The strength and conditioning sessions are offered every Sunday at Swan City Pitch 1.

- Alex Dorscheid developed a goal keeper training program for all our age groups. The training sessions are 40 minutes long and are offered every Thursday at the rotary fields.

**Minor Soccer:** • Grassroots : Saturdays and Sundays at the Rotary field instead of the TLC fields.

- TLC fields are costly and not in good conditions. All age groups are now full.

- A curriculum was made by the grassroots lead Jessica and shared with coaches.

- The training sessions include a structured skill development exercises followed by a small- sided game. The U4 PT and U5 session plans are emailed to the coaches weekly.

- A coaching clinic was held on May 7th with all the grassroots coaches to share ideas and help them create sessions plans based on every age group.

- The grassroots coaching staff is a mix of Swan City FC players, college players and parents who have a soccer knowledge and are currently playing soccer.

- Jessica is part of our technical team and is also coaching the U11 Girls house league every Tuesday from 5:30pm to 8pm.

- Jessica will be taking care of the Swan City Fc social media posts to make sure we have a continuous social media presence and to promote our programs in order to get more interest in soccer and retain players.

- TLC fields booking is canceled due to the poor playing field conditions.

- Rotary fields lining and maintenance started May 13th. Youssef is mowing the lawn and lining the fields every Monday to keep the fields in a good shape.

- Grassroots started date May 14th. - U4 to U11 ; U4 to U8 6 weeks ; U9 to U13-U15 8 weeks. - U4 to U7; 3 sections per field; 9 coaches per hour. - U9 to U13-U15 runs two sections per field; 7 coaches per hour. - 12 players per coach ratio; PT for the U4 and non parented for the rest.

**Competitive Teams:** Outdoor Season Programs Structure. Grassroots, Development and High Performance streams.

- 2022 Outdoor Swan City FC Teams: Development program : U11 boys, U13 boys, U13 Girls. Competitive program : U9 boys, U11 boys, U13 boys, U15 girls, U17 boys, U17 Girls. Total of 9 teams.

- Outdoor season started May 16th.

- EIYSA Final declarations : U13 Boys T1, U17 Girls T2.

- Tournaments booked for all the non EIYSA teams; 2 tournaments per team.

- Practice schedules for both competitive and development teams were finalized, added to TeamLinkt and emailed to parents.

- Coaches were assigned to the competitive and development teams.

- Slurpee Cup Tournament June 4-5: 4 Swan City teams participated.

- U13 Boys Dev won Bronze in Tier 2; U15 Girls Hp won Silver in Tier1. U11 Boys Dev and U13 Girls had a great experience in Tier 2.



- EIYSA League : Started May 14th weekend. Both U17girls and U13boys are playing in Edmonton.
- Both teams will be going 4 times to Edmonton. U13 boys will also be hosting two games in Grande Prairie.
- The U9 Boys Hp and U11 Boys Dev have only one tournament scheduled this outdoor season. Therefore, Swan City Fc and BTB Academy will be collaborating to offer these age groups friendly games and training sessions. Inter Fc showed interest to collaborate as well. This event will take place July 9, 10 in Edmonton.
- The U17 Boys team has been having difficulties getting the whole team coming together to practice. The main reason is that the Surf Camp practices are scheduled at the same time as our practice times. I have assigned Coaches Leo, Keith and Julian to make sure all the players have the right environment to develop their skills and reach their full potential. Parents are concerned about the situation. A meeting will be held with the team manager to determine an outcome.

- A coaching clinic will be held during the second week of June to help coaches build session plans based on their teams needs. I will be supervising practices to make sure all the teams are getting the adequate coaching based on their skill level.

**Adult League:** Outdoor Adults league Started May 24th; 7 VS 7 format at the Rotary Fields.

- Our adult league has 14 new referees available. Going forward, we will be assigning three referees per game.(A main referee and two assistant referees).
- Fields grass and lines are maintained weekly by Youssef. Thanks to Kevin G, Home Hardware provides us with the paint at a good rate.
- Both men's and women's finals will be played at the Legion Field; Invite all minor to come watch; trophies and MVP; Make it an event.
- Men's and women's team representatives want to have a tournament during the summer. Im suggesting a 7 VS 7 Summer Cup. A proposal will be emailed this week to Jesse and Brigitte in order to share with the team reps and come to a final agreement.

**Equipment:** 24 FIFA quality practice balls were ordered.

- 6 ball bags, 6 referee uniforms need to be ordered.
- The Veo camera. The subscription cost will be included in the next indoor season. The first bill will be around \$2500. The yearly subscription will cost \$1350.
- The camera will be used to livestream games and use and enhance the tactical training of our teams.
- Planning for next indoor season : The new Swan City FC jerseys will be purchased by SportswearPlus and sold to our players. An online shop will be available for our players to purchase club gear. SportswearPlus is suggesting a 5 year deal contract with Swan City FC. The contract was shared with Derek and David. All board members will have to vote for approval.
- Players will be wearing the GP United jerseys this summer. New kits will be available for the 2022-2023 indoor season.

**Coaching Staff :** - Keith Ochoga is taking his B licence with ASA.

- Chuntai, Carlos, Simo, and Youssef will be taking the soccer for life course before they can be eligible to take C license course.
- Our U13 - U17 boys and girls are part of the grassroots coaching staff. Great opportunity for the Swan City FC players to give back to the community.



**Events :**

- Adults League : Started May 24th; men's play every Monday - Wednesday; Women's league is every Tuesday - Thursday. Playoffs will start July 18th for both men and women.
- Slurpee Cup : U13 Boys Development - Bronze Medal - Tier 2. U15 Girls Hp - Silver Medal - Tier 1. U11 Boys Dev - 4th place. U13 Girls Dev - 4th place.
- BTB Academy Friendlies : U9 Boys Competitive, U11 Boys Dev and the U17 Boys Hp July 9, 10 in Edmonton.
- Try - It Day : June 11th at the Rotary Fields. Swan City will host a soccer Try-It Day for two hours to get more kids to explore the beautiful game. 6-12 year olds 1:30pm to 2:30pm 13-17 year olds 2:30pm to 3:30pm

**5.4 Senior League Sub-Committee Report**

**Attendance:** 5 team reps present in addition to Brigitte & Jesse: Brenden (Windfall), Mathieu (GP Fire), Terri (Inferno), Darlene (Web-Cor), Robyn (Web-Cor).

- Update team rep email to include Windfall.

**Meeting Overview - Action Items: Addressed**

- Referee Concern re: Controlling Men's Games
- Concern for Outdoor Season re: Access to Equipment
- Note: First women's game Marshall did not have access to the equipment and the game was delayed.
- U18 Recruitment to Adult League
- Outdoor Adult League Recruitment
- Updates: Women's Spring League Wrapped Up
- Note: Concern about high price compared to previous years
- Upcoming Outdoor Season
- Asked about preference on amount of referees, schedule. Update on field status and shared about two players looking for a team.
- Swan City FC Spring Cup
- Note: Hold tournament slightly earlier in year so college students are still in town, if possible have two divisions
- Future Opportunities
- SUMMER TOURNAMENT/EVENT: We asked teams if there is interest in a tournament/event for the summer - TEAM REPS TO ASK THEIR TEAMS FOR NEXT MEETING. Examples include Co-Ed 7 v 7 tournament, One day tournament, Soccer Gold, World Cup, etc. Attachment: Meeting Minutes
- SCFC BANQUET W/ DELTA HOTEL DURING WORLD CUP: Delta Hotel's is interested in hosting SCFC there during the World Cup and banquet can hold up to 400 people
- Shared that the club is always looking for coaches, volunteers, donors & sponsors.
- Board Meeting Highlights –  
BTB Spring Cup - combined u13 boys team between SCFC and Koora Elite participated in Tier 1 and won first
- Grassroots program has started with great successes. It is U4-U15, with a great player to coach ratio. Coach Jessica made a curriculum for structured skill development that is shared with the grassroots coaches. Mix of SCFC players, college players, U15-U17 players and parents.
- David developed a strength and conditioning program for high performance teams. Action Item: Communication RE: Canceled Games
- Asked how this will be communicated, and can Team Link be used? If not can it be posted on Facebook as early as possible. Action Item: Registration Fees (Flat Rate vs Individual)
- Some women's teams prefer the old model where a team pays a flat rate, yet men's team prefer that individuals pay. Discussion was had and proposed idea for there to be two pay options: Flat Rate or Individual. (Jesse can speak to details). Action Item: Bylaws
- Jesse & Brigitte to meet with Houssam and David to discuss



## 5.5 Power Soccer Sub Committee Report

- 4 athletes and 1 coach will attend the ACPSA tournament in Strathmore AB on June 18&19 2022. Competitive coaching receipts will be submitted.
- A bronze medal was brought back by our own SCFC PS player Reeghan Funk after representing Alberta at La Defi Sportif in Montreal in April 29-May1, 2022.
- Eastlink center has agreed to let us store equipment all summer at no cost. I have already booked the Eastlink gym for the 2022-2023 season (Sept-June) on the same day (Tuesdays 5:30-7pm) Currently there is no cost changes \$61.00/hour.
- The Grant applied for is the City of Grande Prairie Rotary in hopes of getting \$50,000 for 4 more Strikeforce power soccer wheelchairs and new batteries for the older chairs.
- Working with ASCPSA to host another power soccer clinic in GP in October 2022.
- Would like to propose buying official power soccer goal posts due to safety issues with the current traffic pilons we are using. Cost outline provided at next board meeting.
- We currently have a new young athlete from Sexsmith playing with us now. I have had to turn away interested disabled athletes because of the lack of soccer powerchairs. SCFC PS has 8 actively participating athletes here in GP making ours the biggest team in Alberta.
- Working on NCCP certification. I have done 5 courses online to date

## 5.6 Facility Committee Report

Letter from the city shared with board members regarding SCFC request to delay the remediation and abatement of the leisure centre. City of GP is waiting on further information from the province in relation to the demolition.

### Motion 04

**Adopt the ED, TD, and Committee reports as presented.**

Moved by: Brigitte

Seconded by: Jesse

**Carried**

## 6.0 EMAIL MOTIONS (which were emailed and voted on)

### Motion 05

*To break our current 1 year \$530, 000 GIC, which has an interest rate of 0.75%, and pay the penalty of \$250.00 plus the lost interest expected of \$3, 975.00. Upon cancellation of the GIC to immediately re-invest \$505, 000 of the funds into a 1 year GIC with a 2.5% interest rate which will net expected interest of \$8, 166.67 over the same time frame. The remaining \$25, 000 in funds being transferred to our operating account”.*

Moved by: Chad

Seconded by: Ricardo



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**Motion 06**

***To pay Houssam for the equipment provided to SCFC on the attached list at the discounted value he provided of \$2274.00.***

Moved by: Jeff

Seconded by: Chad

**7.0 NEXT MEETING:**

July 4, 2022 at 7:30 pm

The chair adjourned the meeting at 9:20 pm.

Approved the 6th day of June, 2022

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CHAIRPERSON

(Derek Van Tassell)

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SECRETARY

(Lynda Atamanchuk)