



Swan City Football Club
Regular Board Meeting
July 11, 2023

Present:, Derek Van Tassell, Paul Wedman, Dara LaLonde, Lynda Atamanchuk, Corrie Funk, Jane Penson, Kriss Scott, Chad Moore,

Staff: David Rojas, Houssam Chattri

Regrets: Stefan Caers, Sherri Clayton,

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Derek Van Tassell chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm

2.0 ADOPTION OF THE REVISED AGENDA

Motion 01

To adopt the revised agenda of July 11, 2023.

Moved by: Jane

Seconded by: Lynda

Carried

3.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 June 6, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes

Motion 02

To adopt the Board Meeting Minutes dated June 6, 2023.

Moved by: Paul

Seconded by: Dara

Carried

4.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

4.1 Financial Reports Dated May 31, 2023

Motion 03

To approve the financial reports for May 31, 2023 as presented.

Moved by: Paul

Seconded by: Jane

Carried



5.0 ED/TD/Committee Reports

5.1 Executive Director Report

Facilities

We are looking to replace the turf at SCFC's Pitch 1. The ideal date is July 24 – 27. We will ask for adult league volunteers. Disk Golf has expressed interest in taking over the old turf.

We have submitted a booking request to the Crosslink for our 2023-24 Indoor season. Our fall/winter season will start mid-late September and wrap-up mid-March. We have requested a total of 19 hours of full field time per week – Waiting for confirmation.

We have submitted Eastlink/school gym booking to the City. A total of 21 hours/week have been requested. - Waiting for confirmation.

Our Rotary building remains free of Graffiti, we have received positive comments from SCFC members and nearby neighbours. Malfunctioning doorknobs, fencing, and bathrooms have been fixed. The deck also got a paint job.

There are a few other items that need attention:

- Toilet water tanks and sinks need to be replaced. We have been dealing with water leaks on a weekly basis.
- Soccer backstop netting for the Rotary fields is also something to consider for the 2024 Outdoor season budget.

Grassroots

Our Grassroots program wrapped up on June 25th . A total of 650 players were able to learn and enjoy the game during the season.

Fundraising

We continue to wait on our AGLC account to be updated so we can access raffle licences.

- As we approach the end of the season, we need to decide what to do regarding this season's raised funds.

Grants

Co-op Community Spaces Grant. \$20,000 \$150,000. We applied for a \$25,000 grant to use towards restoring the Rotary fields irrigation system and Rotary building – Waiting on a response. Executive Director Report – July 10th, 2023

Contracts

Jerseys have been sorted out for our current season. Due to the rapid growth of our competitive program, we need to consider placing another jersey order for the upcoming 2023- 24 Indoor season. There are four sponsorship board spaces available.

Other

We have completed the purchase of the new irrigation system. Fields are looking great.

- We continue to discuss a possible system sponsorship with White Water Management



5.2 Technical Director Report

Programming

Minor Soccer:

• 2023 Grassroots Outdoor Season:

- Grassroots Festival: June 18
- Tournament: 3 games per team; 12 minutes per half
- Invited Beaverlodge teams to be part of the festival
- Tim Hortons provided timbits and hot chocolate for all the participants
- Food trucks and Sticky's Candy were available during the festival
- Tim Hortons medals for all the teams
- Results: great atmosphere; lots of fun playing in the rain.

• Outdoor Tournament - Koora Cup: Jul 8-9

- First competitive tournament in Grande Prairie
- U9 and U11 boys and girls Tier 2 - Tier 3
- 4 teams from FSJ and Dawson Creek
- 4 games guaranteed per team
- Trophy for the winner teams; medals for 1st 2nd and 3rd place

• 23-24 Grassroots Indoor Season:

- Registration opens August 1st
- Grassroots structure: 4 teams per age group per gender; 12 players per team; U4 to U13-15 mixed
- U4 - U5 and U6 will have parents coaches and a junior coach assistant. To discuss with Sherri
- Challenge: Expect lower registration numbers due to space limitations

Competitive Teams:

- EMSA League: Last trip to Edmonton for all the teams on July 14-15.
- Next Indoor Season: EMSA will only offer boarded games to the U9, U11 boys and girls.
- **Indoor Season Structure:** Grassroots/House league at Pitch 1, Competitive and High Performance streams at Pitch 1 and The Crosslink Center
- Competitive Assessment tentative dates: September 7 - 10; additional assessment TBD
- Objective: Match the Edmonton soccer calendar to be able to participate in more competitive events
 - EMSA team declaration deadline is September 25
 - Objective: Have the U9 and U11 boys and girls participate in EMSA to have more experience playing in the competitive stream



Tournaments:

- **Summer Splash** - Beaumont: - U13 Girls (Atamanchuk) - Gold - Tier 3
- **Spring Challenge** - Edmonton:
 - U9 Girls (Oliveira) - Gold – Festival
 - U9 Boys (Jaravata) - Gold – Festival
 - U11 Girls (Kirk) - Silver - Pool A
 - U11 Girls (Reid-Fitzgerald) - Bronze - Pool A
- **Koora Cup** - Grande Prairie:
 - U9 Boys (Jaravata) - Gold
 - U9 Boys (Winterford) - Silver
 - U9 Boys FSJ (Coed) - Bronze
 - U11 Boys (Youssef)- Gold
 - U11 Dawson Creek - Silver
 - U11 FSJ Strikers - Bronze

Coaches:

- SCFC started the application to obtain the Canada Soccer Standards for quality soccer
- New coaches will be involved the 23-24 indoor season
- Forming new U15/U17 players to coach grassroots this indoor
- Mini Coaches - Junior program; to discuss with Sherri

Adult League:

- **2023 Adult Outdoor**
 - Men's and Women's : 18 games guaranteed, Playoffs will start July 28
 - Finals to be played before August long weekend
 - Challenge: Lots of game rescheduled due to the Air quality
- **23-24 Adult Indoor**
 - Registration opens August 1 st
 - Indoor league tentative start date: September 18th
 - Challenge: Late night games due to space availability

Gear and Equipment:

- Updating the game jerseys inventory with SportswearPlus
- New training jerseys available for the indoor season
- Including the SCFC gear page in our website; new gear coming soon
- New equipment to be purchased: mannequins with rubber base



5.3 Facility Committee – N/A

5.4 Fundraising Committee – N/A

5.5 Senior League Report

Senior Tournament

A decision has been made to not proceed with having an outdoor tournament. Not enough teams available to participate and still need to reschedule all the cancelled league games in July.

Outdoor League

Women's League - There have been a significant number of forfeited games due to lack of players. Perhaps we need to consider going back to 7v7 next outdoor season. Will add to the agenda for the next Senior league outdoor meeting.

Men's League – There is concern from various men's teams that they get promised certain things, such as having a Referee and 2 linesmen for each of their games. Everyone paid \$199 to cover this. One of the teams mentioned they have had 1 linesman in only one of their ten games. They see other teams consistently having the 2 linesmen. When there are two games playing at the same time, one game gets two linesmen and the other game gets none? Why is it not possible to give one linesman each to both games?

Referee Course

Some interest on when the next referee course will be offered. Anything coming up?



Next meeting

Will schedule a meeting in August once the outdoor season is complete.

5.6 Power Soccer (PS) Report

- SCFC PS season wrapped up at end of June.
- Volunteer appreciation night was a big success.
- Our SCFC Logo sign from Eastlink upstairs office space has still to be moved down beside the door in gym that we are renting as storage space. Storage room cleaned, locked and chairs all prepped for summer.
- Maintenance on chairs will need done in August. Wheels will need to be purchased this August to ensure safety during use next season.
- ACPSA hosting an August tournament in Calgary 2 players will attend.
- The ordered Strike Force chair using the Rotary funds has still not arrived.
- The SCFC Share the game initiative will hopefully be reintroduced in the Fall of 2023.

5.7 Beaverlodge Report – N/A

Motion 04

Adopt the ED and Committee reports as presented.

Moved by: Paul

Seconded by: Jane

Carried

Motion 05

Motion to put \$100,000 into the cashable investment and the remaining \$400,000 into the one year term GIC.

Moved by: Paul

Seconded by: Jane

Carried



Motion 06

Motion that SCFC purchase 12 power chair wheels from Powerwheelshop.com at a quote of \$1500 Canadian plus shipping and duty costs.

Moved by: Chad

Seconded by: Lynda

Carried

6.0 New Business

- i) Outdoor facility updates – In ED report.
- ii) Pitch 1 turf replacement – In ED report.
- iii) NWP discussion – Derek to attend meeting on Friday July 14.
- iv) Additional District Websites – Board members to review all district websites.
- v) College Coaches – Catherine Hollingworth & David Rojas to coach the women’s and men’s teams.
- vi) Underage players in senior leagues.
- vii) Referees -Derek to discuss referee issues with Ken Loudon & also request Ken to schedule a ref course.

7.0 NEXT MEETING:

August 15, 2023 @ 7:30 pm at Pitch 1.

The chair adjourned the meeting at 9:00

Approved the July 11, 2023.

(Signature of Derek Van Tassell)
CHAIRPERSON (Derek Van Tassell)

(Signature of Lynda Atamanchuk)
SECRETARY (Lynda Atamanchuk)

