



Swan City Football Club
Regular Board Meeting
June 4, 2024

Present: Derek Van Tassell, Paul Wedman, Dara LaLonde, Lynda Atamanchuk, Corrie Funk, Sherri Clayton, Kriss Scott, Kristien Mizzau, Mathieu Evans, Chuntai Jin and Stefan Caers

Staff: David Rojas and Houssam Chattri

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Derek Van Tassell chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

2.0 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion 01

To adopt the revised consent agenda of June 4, 2024, which includes the committee reports as presented.

Moved by: Sherri

Seconded by: Kristien

Carried

3.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 May 7, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes

Motion 02

To adopt the Board Meeting Minutes dated May 7, 2024

Moved by: Paul

Seconded by: Stefan

Carried



4.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

4.1 Financial Reports Dated: March 2024

Motion 03

To approve the financial reports for March 2024, as presented.

Moved by: Paul

Seconded by: Lynda

Carried

5.0 ED/TD/ Reports

5.1 Executive Director Report

Facilities

Rotary

We have installed new toilets and sinks at the Rotary building. Steve Clifford from Purflow was in charge of the job. We exchanged a sponsorship board for his labour, and SCFC covered the cost of the materials.

School League

On May 25th, we hosted the schools at Pitch 1 for friendly matches. We have received positive feedback from the schools and there is growing interest from players and schools in joining the league next year. We will build on this season's success next year by including more schools and soccer sessions.

The End of the Season Tournament will take place on Saturday, June 15th at SCFC's Pitch1.

Fundraising & Grants

Approved: CIBC Soccer Fest Grant – to be used for our Outdoor 2024 Grassroots Festival. The grant is \$500. CIBC will provide fruit snacks, protein bars, and merchandise for our Grassroots Festival.



We have raised \$22,500 to cover the cost of the installation of four Backstop Systems and a Rebound Wall at the Rotary fields. We have placed an order for the Backstop Systems through Ernie's Grande Prairie. Ernie's will contribute to the project by covering the cost of shipping (roughly a \$5,500 contribution).

Active Community Initiative Grant: Submitted EOI (\$500,000 - \$1,500,000)

With the support of the city, SCFC has submitted our Expression of Interest for this grant. We will continue to work with the city if we are selected/invited to submit a full application. This grant would go towards the proposed recreation facility. Executive Director Report – May 31st, 2024

Other

Alberta Special Olympics will be held in Grande Prairie in 2025. I have been asked to fill the role of Soccer Sport Specialist for the games. I have accepted the volunteer position.

We are in the process of changing merchant and website payment service providers to a local company (Hi-Tech). The local business support (and better rates) contributed to this decision.

We have sold three sponsorship boards for Pitch 1 and one website sponsorship this month.

I have been accepted to take the Canada Soccer B Licence Diploma. Course to commence in September 2024. The cost is \$3,150.

We will open registration for summer camps in the first week of June. There will be one or two 4HER camps and a private contractor (Andrii Khymchuk) will run three - five weeks of camps.

We need to set a date for our Swan City FC Strategic Planning Meeting. All board members to take the Strategic Planning online course prior to the set date by following the link: Alberta Non-profit Online Course

ASA Regional board meeting to be held in Fairview June 8.



5.2 Technical Director Report:

Minor Soccer

Grassroots Program

2024 Outdoor Grassroots (May-June):

- 14 sessions total at the Rotary Field.
- 950 Players registered for this season.
- Parents coaches for the U4-U6 groups
- SCFC coaches for the U7, U9, U11, and U13 Mixed.
- CIBC Festival on June 25 for U7 to U13 players. Each team will play 3 games.
- Medals ceremony; Food trucks on site etc.
- Summer Camp: Looking to run a grassroots summer camp in July. TBD

Competitive Program

High Performance Teams

- U9 Girls HP (Oliveira) - Tier 1. U9 Boys HP (Chattri) - Tier 1.
- U11 Boys HP(Youssef) - Tier 2. - U11 Girls HP(Youssef) - Tier 2.
- U13 Boys HP (Clayton) Tier 2 Pool A. - U15 Boys HP (Chattri-Jin)- Tier 2.

EMSA Competitive Teams

- U13 Boys Comp (Wedman-Ruptash) - Tier 3.
- U15 Boys Comp (Charles-Bowen)- Tier 3.
- U15 Girls Comp (Sukh) - Tier 3.

Tournaments Competitive Teams

- U9 Boys (Chriss - Cam). - U9 Boys (Julian - Pedro).
- U9 Boys (Sean - Logan). - U9 Girls (Bashar - Cloe).
- U11 Girls (Ried). - U11 Girls (Kirk).
- U11 Boys Comp (Claude). - U11 Boys Comp (Robin).
- U13 Girls Comp (Atamanchuk).



2024 Outdoor Competitive: 19 team's total. An increase of 26% from the 23-24 Indoor season.

Tournaments:

Various teams attending the following tournaments:

Duggan Mother's Day - May 10-12 - Edmonton: Cancelled due to smoke.

Phoenix Classic - May 23-26 – Edmonton; Slurpee Cup: May 31- June 1st - Edmonton

Summer Caledonia Cup - June 6 -9 – Edmonton ; Warriors Invitational July 19 - 21 - Edmonton

Koora Cup June 15 - 16 - Grande Prairie

- U9 Boys and Girls. - U11 Boys and Girls.

- U13 Boys and Girls.

- Looking forward to inviting Dawson Creek and Beaverlodge teams. Reached out to Fort Mc and FSJ.

Grassroots Coaches:

6 coaches got their grassroots coaching certifications. Hired 8 more coaches for the summer. Looking forward to getting the remaining coaches certified before the upcoming indoor season. The grassroots coaches meeting was held on May 1st. A curriculum and resources were provided.

Competitive Coaches:

16 coaches were assigned to 19 teams this outdoor season.

GK coach Firas is moving back to Europe, looking for more GK coaches.

U17 Girls GK Cadence and U15 Girls GK Breena are now coaching the U9 - U11 goal keepers.

The competitive coaches meeting on April 29th provided curriculum, equipment & objectives.

Technical team to visit coaches' practices.

Adult League:

Updated SCFC Adult League Policies and Procedures.

Reviving the women's competitive adult league: female players who are turning 15 years old in 2024 are allowed to join the women's league.

Max of 3 players per team.



2024 Adult Outdoor: - Men's: 11 VS 11 Format at Rotary/CKC.

- Game Day: Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Women's: 7 VS 7 format at Rotary Field.
- Game Day: Thursdays.

Gear and Equipment:

- More balls were purchased.
- More Training jerseys are now available.
- Game socks and shorts are available at SportswearPlus.
- Turf ideas to suggest to the City of GP.

New Ideas:

Looking to hire a photographer to capture action shots for our social media. This will help us create daily content and enhance our visibility across the province.

Turf at Rotary Field: We are exploring the possibility of converting Field 4 at the Rotary into a FIFA regulation-size 11v11 turf field. Further discussions are needed.

Motion 04

Adopt the ED and TD report as presented.

Moved by: Dara

Seconded by: Chuntai

Carried

6.0 OLD BUSINESS

- 6.1 Adult league policies and procedures
- 6.2 U15 Boys UK Trip
- 6.3 Consent Agenda
- 6.4 Communication discussion
- 6.5 Rugby and soccer facility proposal

7.0 New Business

- 7.1 ED and TD contract renewal
- 7.2 Application to attend SCFC's board meeting



7.3 Disciplinary board

8.0 NEXT MEETING: July 9, 2024

The chair adjourned the meeting at 10:30 pm.

Approved the day of June 4, 2024

CHAIRPERSON

(Derek Van Tassell)

SECRETARY

(Lynda Atamanchuk)