



Swan City Football Club
Regular Board Meeting
October 15, 2024

Present: Derek Van Tassell, Paul Wedman, Lynda Atamanchuk, Corrie Funk, Kriss Scott, Sherri Clayton, Mathieu Evans,

Staff: David Rojas, Houssam Chattri

Regrets: Dara LaLonde, Kristien Mizzau, Chuntai Jin, Stefan Caers,

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 consent agenda of October 15, 2024, which includes the committee reports as presented.

Moved by: Paul

Seconded by: Sherri

Carried

3.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 September 10, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes

Motion 02

To adopt the Board Meeting Minutes dated September 10, 2024

Moved by: Kriss

Seconded by: Matt

Carried



4.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

N/A

5.0 ED/TD/ Reports

5.1 Executive Director Report

Facilities

Rotary:

We have wrapped up all outdoor activities at the Rotary fields.

Other:

We are using seven different facilities to accommodate our competitive program: SCFC Indoor Pitch, Eastlink Centre, Mother Teresa School, Ecole St. Gerard, Whispering Ridge School, Ecole Nouvelle Frontiere, and Peace Wapiti Academy.

School League

We will work directly with school Principals and teachers to involve more schools in the league. The tentative date for the school league is April – June 2025.

Fundraising & Grants

Every Kid Can Play Grant (KidSport): Up to \$25,000. - Update on the application will be provided in November. This grant I intended to keep the cost low for our school league.

Other

Swan City FC 2024 AGM is taking place on Tuesday, November 19th at Peace Wapiti Academy. As per our bylaws, notice to our membership and social media/website posting will go out three weeks preceding the meeting.

I have submitted the application for a \$65,000 raffle. Tickets will be ready for pickup late November/early December.

Swan City FC has been assigned a casino event on January 19th and 20th 2025.



5.2 Technical Director Report: N/A

Minor Soccer

Grassroots Program

2024-25 Indoor Grassroots Program (October-December):

- 9 weeks, with a total of 18 sessions at the Swan City Pitch. - Picture day took place on October 4th. Despite heavy parent attendance and increased traffic, the event ran smoothly overall. - The program began on October 5th. - The CIBC Festival is scheduled for December 14th and 15th.

Competitive Program

2024-25 Indoor Season Structure: Competitive and High-Performance programs.

Total Teams: 23 teams.

High-Performance Teams: 8, U9 Boys, U11 Boys, U11 Girls, U13 Boys, U13 Girls, U15 Boys, U17 Boys, U17-U19 Girls

Competitive Teams: 15, U9 Boys, U9 Girls, U11 Boys (3 teams), U11 Girls (2 teams), U13 Boys (2 teams), U13 Girls (2 teams), U15 Boys (2 teams), U15 Girls, U17-U19 Girls

Assessment Process Report: The new assessment format was more effective, allowing assessors to evaluate each player fairly and create well-rounded teams based on various criteria, including skill level, work ethic, game IQ, and teamwork. Following the first practice, coaches shared positive feedback, highlighting that most players are at a similar skill level. This consistency will facilitate more effective coaching and collaboration within the entire group.

Indoor Season Start Date: Tuesday, October 1st.

To discuss: - Fairness in player placements. The relationship between the 4 Her Initiative and the competitive program. Red shirt program.

EMSA League:

- EMSA Final Declaration: - U9 Boys HP Tier2; U11 Boys HP Tier 2; U13 Boys HP Tier 2; U15 Boys HP Tier 2; U17 Boys, - U11 Girls HP Tier 2; U13 Girls HP Tier 2; U19 Girls HP Tier 2.

- Competitive teams will participate in two tournaments included in the registration fee, with the option to enter additional tournaments at the team's own expense.



Tournaments are confirmed and shared with teams via Teamlinkt.

Tournaments:

- 1- SGSA Early Bird – November 14 - 17 Girls Only
- U9 Girls (Meiklem) T4, - U11 Girls (Chriss) T3, U11 Girls (Claude-Jennifer) T4, U13 Girls (Keston) T3, U13 Girls (Reid) T4, U15 Girls (Sukh-Atamanchuk) T3
- 2- SGSA Early Bird – November 21-24th Boys Only, U9 Boys (Cam-Fulmek) T3, U11 Boys Comp (Claude) T3, U11 Boys (Chriss) T3, U11 Boys (Mo) T4, U13 Boys (Wedman) T3, U13 Boys (Bowen) T4, U15 Boys (Sukh-Bomen) T3, U15 Boys (Clayton-Charles) T4
- 3- FC Memorial – January 23-26 Edmonton • All competitive teams.
- 4- Slash Cup - Optional - February 27- March

Grassroots Coaches:

A grassroots coaches meeting for parents and coaches was held on October 3rd. Increased interest from players in becoming certified grassroots coaches. A season curriculum has been distributed to all parent volunteer coaches and player-coaches for U4 to U13. All coaches have been added to the Teamlinkt app to facilitate the sharing and receiving of grassroots-related information. A Teamlinkt group for grassroots coaches has been established.

Competitive Coaches:

Coaches were assigned teams based on various factors, ensuring the best fit for both player development and coaching expertise. The goal is to create an environment where players and coaches can thrive and achieve success on and off the pitch.

Goalkeeper Development:

A new goalkeeper coach has been recruited. Goalkeeper training will take place on Fridays and Saturdays, starting October 18th. All goalkeeper players will be contacted regarding this schedule. A TeamLink group will be created for all goalkeepers in our club to enhance communication and support.



Coaches Development:

A meeting for competitive coaches was held to review the indoor season curriculum and objectives for each age group. Equipment was distributed, and coaching resources were provided to help session planning. A Teamlkt group for competitive coaches was created to facilitate communication. Coaches planned and conducted a practice session, with good attendance and collaboration among coaches. A schedule was established for the technical team to visit coaches' practices, providing assistance, guidance, and support as needed. Additional coaches' meetings will be scheduled throughout the season to enhance the coaching experience and facilitate the exchange of ideas. 3

Adult League:

Updated SCFC Adult League Policies and Procedures. Reviving the women's competitive adult league: female players turning 15 years old in 2024 are eligible to join the women's league. This initiative will continue during the indoor season. U17 Girls team will be playing the women's league.

2024-25 Adult Indoor League: - Men's: 6 VS 6 Format at the SCFC Pitch. - Game Day: Mondays and Wednesdays. One division - Number of teams: 8. Recruited a new team, FC Tayo. Most players are from Vietnam. - Game Time: 8:15 pm; 9:15 pm. - Women's: 6 VS 6 Format at the SCFC Pitch. - Game Day: Tuesdays and Thursdays. Two divisions. - Ladder system if we have enough teams for both genders. - Game Time: 8:15 pm; 9:15 pm.

Gear and Equipment:

- Reordering Timbits jerseys ordered for the upcoming summer season. - Received new game jersey sets to ensure we have enough for our new teams. - Game socks and shorts are available at SportswearPlus. - Ordered new balls for the new teams.

New Ideas: Still looking for someone to help develop our social media.

Motion 03

Adopt the ED and TD reports as presented.

Moved by: Sherri

Seconded by: Paul

Carried



Motion 04

Motion to pay our Power Soccer coach the weekend per diem for up to 4 tournaments per calendar year.

Moved by: Paul

Seconded by: Matt

Carried

6.0 OLD BUSINESS

- 6.1 Gala Night – March
- 6.2 SCFC Board meeting request form

7.0 New Business

- 7.1 2024 AGM – Board positions up for election
- 7.2 Coaching Survey – End of the season
- 7.3 Non-payment of fees and evaluations
- 7.4 SCFC Indoor pitch naming rights
- 7.5 Power Soccer tournament per diem revision

8.0 NEXT MEETING: November 5, 2024

The chair adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Approved the day of October 15, 2024

CHAIRPERSON

(Derek Van Tassell)

SECRETARY

(Lynda Atamanchuk)