## **Innisfail Minor Football 2017 Annual General Meeting Minutes**

Date: February 21, 2017

Location: Legion

**Attendance:** Michelle Caron, Denise Montgomery, Sean Davis, Clay Sauter, Talitha Watkinson, Kim Thompson, Janine Gerrard, Jen Watts, Katrina Nickel, Heather Bryant, Daryl Zimmer, Christine Hobbs, Trevor Dyer

1. Call to order at 7:35 PM

- 2. Roll call or checking of membership registration
- 3. Adoption of the minutes of the previous Annual meeting completed, name not noted
- 4. Report of the unfinished business from any previous membership meeting or any business arising out of the minutes
  - Thanks to the generous donation by the Legion a c-can within our budget has been tracked down by Sean and cheque has been issued by Clay and Denise on behalf of the association. We are now waiting on secondary approval by the school board for its placement and any further improvements to the field (Which Michelle has kindly offered to continue to assist with). The old vandalized shed still needs to be removed.
  - Dodge Chrysler has been in discussions with Sean in regards to obtaining a new score clock. It has also been determined from the difficulties of this season, that a barbeque as well as a generator are essential purchases to ensure our home games run smoothly over the season.
- 5. Report of the President on behalf of the Executive Board
  - 2016 was truly a challenging year in regards to player enrollment, volunteer commitments as
    well as overall morale. If I can impart one piece of advice for the next season it is compassion
    and understanding. We are all volunteers and we each have our own struggles and personal
    hurtles and yet we continue to try our best to make sure our children can enjoy this game that
    they love.
  - Despite the many challenges, thanks to the dedication of Michelle Caron, Wally Genz and Shelley Sauter the association obtained society status, which as many of you may know will open avenues for fundraising that we have not had access to in the past.
  - Updated formal policies and procedures manual found on our website
- 6. Report of the Treasurer
  - Changes due to society status discussed.
- 7. Report of Coaching director
  - Central Football League changes/early registration
- 8. Any amendments to the Bylaws
  - Changes required in order to obtain society status discussed.

9. Report of the nominations and election of Executives

President –Talitha Watkinson nominated by Kim Thompson, Jenn Watts seconded. Elected by acclamation

Vice President – Kim Thompson nominated. Elected by acclamation.

Coaching Director – Sean Davis nominated. Elected by acclamation.

Field Coordinator – Trevor Dyer nominated. Elected by acclamation.

Secretary – Janine Gerrard nominated. Elected by acclamation.

Club Manager – Jenn Watts nominated. Elected by acclamation.

Treasurer – Christine Hobbs nominated. Elected by acclamation.

Equipment Manager – Heather Bryant nominated. Elected by acclamation.

Registrar – Katrina Nickel nominated. Elected by acclamation.

10. Chair was handed over to Talitha Watkinson for remainder of the meeting.

## 11. New Business

- As per Sean's prior discussion and the Central Football League requirements we now must start earlier in the year. Over the years our coaches have expressed an interest in starting in the spring as well to help build a better understanding of the fundamentals for players, help with team building, and for the program to be more visible in the school/community before summer break. We will now select a random registration from Atom, Peewee and Bantam to win their registration fee as per our email.
- New executives/coaches will decide on official start dates based on volunteer & facility availability

## 12. Adjournment @ 9:11 PM