LAKELAND DISTRICT SOCCER ASSOCIATION

FALL PLANNING MEETING

September 18, 2016

St. Paul, AB

1.0 Meeting called to order at 10:15

Roll Call: Those in attendance: Mike Pomerleau (Bonnyville/LDSA), Allan Robertson (Lac La Biche), Jose Teixeira (LDSA DRA), Darlene Gourley (Vermilion), Wayne Roach (Vermilion), Allan Bohrson (Vegreville), Terri Cooper (Wainwright), Kristy L'Hirondelle (Bonnyville/ LDSA), Steve Cupit (LDSA), Frank Mayer (Cold Lake), Joy Tremblay (St. Paul/ LDSA). Regrets: Richard Smyl

Motion: Moved that Joy Tremblay be allowed to remain at the meeting to represent St Paul, as well as act in her role with LDSA. Moved by Mike Pomerleau (Bville); Second Jose Teixeira (LDSA). **Motion Carried**

- 2.0 Approval of Agenda: Motion: Moved to approve the agenda as circulated. Moved by Al Bohrson (Veg); Second Al Robertson (LLB). Motion Carried
- **3.0 Review of Previous Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes of April 10, 2016 (Spring Operational Meeting) with the correction of spelling error of Jose Teixeira's name. Moved by Mike Pomerleau (B'ville); Second by Joy Tremblay (St Paul). **Motion Carried**

4.0 Unfinished / Ongoing Business:

a. Lakeland Cup –General consensus that Lakeland Cups went well in both Vermilion and St Paul. There were 2 coach ejections in Vermilion, with appropriate discipline at time of tournament.

b. Provincials Tournaments: St Paul reported a successful tournament, hosting the U12 and U14 boys and girls. Lakeland teams were victorious in all age groups and genders, bringing Gold in the U16 boys (St Paul), U16 girls (Vegreville), and U12 boys (St Paul), silver in the U14 boys (Vermilion), U14 girls (LLB), and U12 girls (St Paul), Bronze in U12 boys (Vermilion), U18 boys (Bonnyville), and U 18 girls (Vegreville). Congratulations to all teams who attended provincials – Job very well done!

Tier III – Several communities formed Tier III teams to allow for play longer into the summer. All teams performed well, finishing in the top 4, with the U14 boys from Bonnyville capturing the bronze medal.

c. Seniors – the Cold Lake Men's team represented Lakeland at Sr Provincial tournament, but their final placing was not known at the time of the meeting.

d. **DRA report**. A meeting of the district referee coordinators was held in St. Paul, May 1, 2016. All major communities were represented. Jose Teixeira was elected as the DRA. Jose reported there were 129 referees registered in Lakeland, 12 courses were held over the summer, and there are 2 referee instructors in the District. Planning for the indoor season is underway.

The issue of complaints against referees was discussed. Communities should bring concerns regarding referees to Jose. Should further action be required, the matter is forwarded to ASA. Should a hearing be required, it is within the jurisdiction of ASA, not LDSA.

The referee mentorship program within Lakeland has been initiated, and will continue to assist with development of all of our referees.

d. **DHC Report**. A Soccer For Life course was held in Vegreville in the spring. Vegreville indicated they will host SFL again, but requested a date in March 2017.

A Fundamentals course was hosted by St. Paul, introducing the new preferred pathway for soccer development developed by CSA. 20 coaches and over 50 players were present for the day. All communities are encouraged to change to this format.

Alberta Summer Games Teams competed in Leduc. Both teams represented the Zone well. Congratulations to the boys, coached by Mike Pomerleau and the girls, coached by Ian Diaz.

CSA has introduced a new position – Director of Development. This position is to lead the provinces in both player and coach development. Jason DeVoss has been named to do this.

There has been a change from provincial select teams to the new CSA excel program with Winter Training. There are two academy teams in Alberta; FC Edmonton in the north, and Whitecaps in the south. There will be District Outreach Centres running for "mini-stars" running from November to March. Mike proposed an LDSA Mini-Stars Outreach Program for U11 and U13 players. There would be 8 sessions held throughout the Lakeland from November to March, at a cost of \$215.00. Players must be a resident of LDSA, with players selected for Team Alberta North not eligible. Players attend by invitation only. Coaches participating are required to have a minimum full NCCP Community coaching license, with an interest to upgrade in the licensing stream. CRC expiration dates must be provided. Further discussion is to take place at the Fall Operational meeting.

5.0 New Business:

a. Player registration: dates and deadlines as follows:

i. Lakeland League Declaration	October 21, 2016
ii LDSA Tier III Declaration	December 1, 2016
iii Lakeland Cup Declaration	January 15, 2017
iv Provincial Declaration	January 1, 2017
v LDSA Player Registration / League Fees	November 10, 2016
vi Roster Changes	January 1, 2017

Use the new format for registrations – same as outdoor. Old roster format cannot be accepted

b. League Play: Kristy asked that information be provided at the next meeting:

number of teams/genders

blackout dates

practice and games times

field availability

name and contact information of designated volunteers for teams for scheduling issues

c. League Play Start date : Aiming for November 5, 2016

d. ASA Provincials: Rosters changes must be completed by February 28, 2017

ASA provincial dates are March 12 -12, 2017 for youth and March 24-26 for Seniors

e. Futsal: St. Paul continues with winter training in the form of Futsal up to U14. Cold Lake will have u10 and possibly U12. They will make their own arrangements for games.

f. U10 League: Only Bonnyville and LLB play arena soccer. Will discuss at next meeting.

g. Lakeland Cup - Bonnyville cannot get the C2 centre. Will alternate between LLB and Cold Lake. Will confirm date and location at next meeting, but it appears to be Cold Lake's year.

h. Financial statements: Kristy presented the financial statements and will provide a budget at the next meeting.

i. Provost Soccer: discussion concerning the need for a plan for Provost Soccer. Lakeland had assisted them with purchasing insurance to allow them to play Saskatchewan teams from Unity, Maclin, and Cutknife. This was a one year option only. Further discussion is to take place at next meeting

j. Executive Director: The current executive Director was contracted for a 2 years term. There was discussion concerning her position and it was agreed her performance was exceptional.

MOTION: That Kristy L'Hirondelle be retained as executive director for a 2 year period with a pay increase to \$3500 per month. Moved by Joy Tremblay (St Paul). Second by Al Bohrson (Vegreville). **MOTION CARRIED**

6. Next Meeting: Fall operation meeting and AGM to be held in St. Paul Sunday October 16, 2016.

7. **Adjournment: MOTION:** That meeting be adjourned at 1:50. Moved by Al Bohrson (Vegreville), second by Al Robinson (LLB) **Motion carried**

Respectfully submitted by Joy Tremblay