



## **Lakewood Soccer Association, Inc.**

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### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Monday, November 24, 2025

### **President Report – Amanda Taylor**

Lakewood Soccer would like to acknowledge Treaty 6 territory and that we play soccer on the traditional and ancestral lands of the Cree, Dene, Blackfoot, Nakota and Saulteaux First Nations and the homeland of the Metis Nation. We are dedicated to ensuring that the spirit of Reconciliation and Treaty 6 is honoured and respected.

I have just completed my first year as President with the continued support of Leonard Lewko as Vice President. Lakewood is a family to me, even though my son has not played in many years, it is something that I am proud to continue to be involved in and I have enjoyed my first year in this role and thank everyone for their support and patience as I learn. Len has been a vital part of Lakewood Soccer for many years, both on the board, coaching, and filling in where there have been vacancies. During the transition period over the last year, it became apparent that Len did a lot of behind the scenes things that many didn't realize and has done a tremendous amount of work over the years. Thank you Len for your continued support during the transition.

Lakewood Soccer has continued to evolve and is thriving in our community. We just completed our first year with Dan Kelly as our Director of Soccer Operations and he has proven to be a tremendous asset to the club. Under Dan's leadership, we have seen our numbers continue to grow and he dedicates a lot of time to ensuring the success of Lakewood and our athletes.

I also would like to mention the hard work and dedication of all of our tech team and Kara. We are fortunate to have such a committed and talented team that make Lakewood Soccer what it is today, a community of athletes and families that choose to continue to

support Lakewood in growing and evolving year after year and season after season. Thank you to the tech team for all of their hard work and to Kara for keeping everything organized and running smoothly.

We also have completed our first year of having a physical office space. We have renewed our lease for another year. Although space is limited, it continues to be a place where people can stop by and have conversations with Dan and Kara, where we can have in person registration, our monthly board meetings, and a place with a dedicated phone where people can call when they have questions.

Going into the new year, we want to focus our efforts on becoming more of a governance board and move into supporting Dan and Kara. We will look at committees that need to be formed within our board with the possibility of adding some Lakewood volunteers to bring ideas to those committees, this will ensure we are being effective in our meetings as well as obtaining as much feedback as possible from our Lakewood community to move forward. I want to thank all of our current board members and volunteers for their dedication, Lakewood's success is due to all of your efforts and we could not be successful without our volunteers.

Our tournaments this year were also a success, this was the first year of running the indoor tournament at two facilities (Saskatoon and Martensville). We had many teams register and lots of new teams from out of province. The tournament is a huge undertaking and it runs smoothly and is a success because of all of the efforts put in by the tournament committee as well as families that volunteer to help during the tournament.

Last indoor we had 544 players registered, in 2026 indoor we had 624 players registered. The growth we continue to see is a testament to the strength of the sport in Saskatoon, but also to our strength as a club. This is something that is not achieved without strong leadership, organization, a tech team to support it, our coaches and managers that dedicate their time to ensure families have a positive experience, our board members that help provide the direction of the club, all of our volunteers, and also our families and players that choose to continue to play with Lakewood. Thank you to all of you for everything you do.

*Amanda Taylor, President*