



MANITOBA MAJOR SOCCER LEAGUE



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024
VIRTUALLY ONLINE - 10AM
AGENDA

1. Call to Order – Roll Call
 - a. The meeting began with a **land acknowledgment** recognizing Treaty 1 territory.
 - b. **Quorum requirement:** 43 voting members. Initial count fell short, requiring a **15-minute delay** to allow for additional members to join.
 - c. After efforts to contact additional attendees, quorum was successfully met, and the meeting proceeded.
2. Approval of Meeting Agenda
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda was **moved by Ian Hyslop (Weston) and seconded by Travis Nesbitt (Elmwood).**
 - b. Approval of the previous AGM meeting minutes (2022) was requested. No errors or omissions were raised.
 - c. Motion to approve **moved by Travis (Elmwood) and seconded. Motion passed.**
3. Reading of Award Winner Names (no presentation)
 - a. Recognition was given to the top teams from the past season:
 - i. **Premier Division:** FC Winnipeg Lions
 - ii. **First Division:** Inspire
 - iii. **Second Division:** Winnipeg FC
 - iv. **Third Division:** Winkler Storm/ SWB
 - v. Additional placements: **Elmwood (4th), Superbia (5th), Bloody Fists of Revolution BFR (6th).**



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4. Approval of Previous General Meeting Minutes (See point 2.b)

5. Business Arising - None

6. President's Address

A **summary of the past year** was provided, highlighting successes and challenges.

i. **Key challenges:**

ii. Limited staffing (1 full-time, part-time, summer students) impacted scheduling and league operations.

iii. Referee shortages continued to pose difficulties.

iv. Payment collections and financial sustainability remained key concerns.

b. **Improvements & Investments:**

i. Additional staffing support added.

ii. Greater emphasis on timely scheduling to avoid late-season disruptions.

iii. Increased enforcement of timely payments from teams.

c. **Media & Promotion:**

i. League gained **1,000 YouTube subscribers** and achieved **monetization** on social media.

ii. Some video clips exceeded **1 million views on Instagram**.

d. **Future Plans:**

i. Digital registration and player cards to streamline administration.

ii. Continued push for sponsorships and financial sustainability.

7. Committee Reports: **Motioned to accept reports together - Ian Hyslop (Weston) 2nd Travis (Nesbitt Elmwood)**

a. **Passed**

a) Executive Director Report

b) Discipline Committee Report

c) Governance Committee Report

d) Nominations Committee Report



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- e) Marketing Committee Report
- f) Competition Committee Report

8. Finance Report (Presented by Ian Hislop, VP)

a. Fiscal Challenges:

- i. League operated on a **tight budget** post-COVID to keep costs low.
- ii. Running at a **deficit for the past 3-4 years** due to reduced fees and financial constraints.

b. Financial Standing:

- i. **\$50,000 increase in revenue** due to full team participation.
- ii. However, **\$40,000 deficit** remains a concern.
- iii. Outstanding team payments were **significantly reduced**, but strict enforcement will continue.

c. Future Financial Strategy:

- i. Sponsorship deals (e.g., **Great Western Brewing Company**) are helping offset costs.
- ii. Discussions ongoing about adjusting **affiliation fees** to maintain league operations.

d. Motion to approve finance report:

- i. Moved by **Mike (Landmark)**, seconded by **Niverville**. **Motion passed.**

9. Elections

- **Outgoing board members:** Brian Mintenko, Ezequiel – **acknowledged for their service.**
- **Elections:**
 - i. **No new nominations for President position** – the current president will remain.
 - ii. **Newly elected board members:** Susan Thompson & Travis Nesbitt.

10. New Business - None



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11. Adjournment

- No additional new business was raised.
- **Motion to adjourn:** Moved by **Frank (Grant Park)**, seconded by **Ian (Weston)**.
Meeting adjourned.
- **Reminder:** Draft day scheduled for **next week** – additional information to follow.



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