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Saskatoon Adult Soccer Inc. Minutes

Annual General Meeting – December 14th, 2023 6:00pm Saskatoon Kinsmen / Henk Ruys Soccer Centre 219 Primrose Drive Saskatoon, SK S7K 5E4

Staff Members Present:

Danielle Bryk, Executive Director Ifman E. Huerta, Operations Coordinator Crystal Holtslander, Technical Coordinator

Board Members Present:

Dena Clark, Eileen Zagiel, Erin Hopkins, Jason Trask, Morvarid Akhgar, Scott Kohlenberg, Sheldon Mathies, Stephan Simon, Sue Mack-Klinger, and Thomas Oakes.

Regular Members Present:

Aaron Wright, Amanda Cooley, Andrea Purves, Angie Howlett, Anyela Artunduaga, Aubry Claypool, Brendan Simpson, Brittany Welsh, Dalton Roth, Dave Stangier, David Broberg, Dylan Moore, Dylan Swidzinski, George Ukachukwu, Jack Wood, Jeff Neufeld, Jon Miller, Kadmiel Emekeme, Kaeli Trew, Laura Mischuk, Lin Nay, Maggie Phillips, Nathan Voinorosky, Nolan Paul, Rene Detwiller, Spencer Zimmerman, Steph Cooley, Tracey Wichert, Viola Ayres, and Wendy Britton.

Associate Members Present:

Andrew Kitchen, Jodi Blackwell, Jayce Cote, and Jayden Parschauer.

Chairperson & Nominations Chair: Finance & Audit Presenter:

Sheldon Mathies – SAS President Dena Clark – SAS Finance Director

2023-1 Call to Order

President/Chairperson Sheldon Mathies called the meeting to order at 6:08pm.

2023-2 Approval of Agenda

MOTION: to accept the agenda. Moved by: Brendan Simpson Seconded by: Eileen Zagiel Carried.

2023-3 Presentation of Credentials and Roll Call – Sheldon Mathies

Introduce the board and staff members.

Members in Attendance: 44; Voting Members is 40; majority is 21.

2023-4 Moment of Celebration

In memory of the members of our soccer community who are no longer with us.

2023-5 Reading of 2022 Minutes – Sheldon Mathies

MOTION: to accept the 2022 Minutes. Moved by: Eileen Zagiel Seconded by: Erin Hopkins Carried.

2023-6 President's Report– Sheldon Mathies

The board made the difficult decision to make a larger than normal increase in team fees. We want to operate the leagues in an affordable, cost-effective way to ensure our leagues and association can be sustainable over the long term. We are excited to see a large core of players that love soccer. It's the members that make our association amazing and we wouldn't exist without you.

MOTION: to accept the President's Report. Moved by: Scott Kohlenberg Seconded by: Jason Trask Carried.

2023-7 Auditor's Report and Financial Statements – Dena Clark

Review of the report and statements. The shortage of teams has led to a shortage in operating revenue, but the grants and interest have kept us from an overall deficit.

MOTION: to accept the Auditor's Report and Financial Statements. Moved by: Dena Clark Seconded by: Scott Kohlenberg Carried.

2023-8 Executive Director's Report – Danielle Bryk

Member feedback is encouraged, even if not everything can always come to fruition. While it may be perceived as seem simple, it is a difficult task to operate the league. There are conflicting opinions, not enough teams, and, at times, misinformation is spread. Youth players, Masters leagues and team fees have been hot topics. Decisions are made through discussions, feedback and consultation with our members, and our close relationships with SSC, SYS, SDSRAI and SSA. It was an eventful year hosting the CSA Masters Regional Championship with two local teams (YXE FC, who became the Champion, and YXE Storm). The Western Premier Shield grew this year, and we are excited about the future for everyone collectively including Astra, Green & White, Excel, and Futsal!

MOTION: to approve the Executive Director's report. Moved by: Sue Mack-Klinger Seconded by: Scott Kohlenberg Carried.

2023-9 Report of Committees

i. Technical Report – Erin Hopkins

Feedback from membership directs our discussions. We continue to adjust rules based on the information we receive including the re-introduction of half field leagues along side full field leagues for the upcoming outdoor season.

ii. Discipline Report – Stephan Simon

Respect and dignity should be conducted with all SAS staff, volunteers, and partners. Violent Conduct had decreased during the pandemic but increased since and now being consistent. Yellow cards had increased for the outdoor season in the Men's leagues but are down for the indoor season in comparison to pre-pandemic levels. Women's and Coed leagues remain flat.

MOTION: to approve Technical Report & Discipline Report. Moved by: Dalton Roth Seconded by: Brendan Simpson Carried.

2023-10 Old and Unfinished Business – Sheldon Mathies

i. None at this time

2023-11 Consideration of Amendments – Sheldon Mathies

MOTION: to approve the bylaw amendment in section 16.1b) to: "at the Annual General Meeting, quorum shall consist of 7 voting members".

Moved by: Wendy Britton

Seconded by: Eileen Zagiel

Carried.

2023-12 Election of Officers and Directors – Eileen Zagiel & Sheldon Mathies

i. Vice President (2-year term)

Eileen Zagiel nominee.

Confirm Eileen Zagiel will let name stand.

ii. Finance Director (2-year term)

Dena Clark and Riza Yakub nominees.

Dena Clark agrees to let her name stand. Riza Yakub agrees he will let his name stand by email to the Executive Director.

iii. Six Directors (2-year term)

Morvarid Akhgar, Amanda Cooley, Scott Kohlenberg, Lee Kormish, Marsha-Ree Lawrence, Dalton Roth, and Jason Trask as nominees for 2-year terms.

Morvarid Akhgar, Amanda Cooley, Scott Kohlenberg, Dalton Roth, and Jason Trask will let names stand. Lee Kormish and Marsha- Ree Lawrence confirmed they will let their names stand by email to the Executive Director.

MOTION: to approve Elieen Zagiel as Vice President, Dena Clark as Finance Director, and director positions to Morvarid Akhgar, Amanda Cooley, Scott Kohlenberg, Lee Kormish, Dalton Roth, and Jason Trask for 2-year terms.

Moved by: Erin Hopkins Seconded by: Wendy Britton Carried.

2023-13 New Business – Sheldon Mathies

i. Auditor

MOTION: to appoint Virtus Group LLP as auditors for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Moved by: Erin Hopkins Seconded by Stephan Simon Carried.

2023-14 Adjournment

Andrea Purves motions to adjourn the meeting.