



## President's Report 2017

### Saskatoon Youth Soccer Inc.

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This past year with Saskatoon Youth Soccer Inc. (SYSI) has been a year based on cooperation and communication. The appointment of a "Member Liaison" from each zone to the Board has opened up much better communication between the Zones and the SYSI Board. It has been a learning experience for both sides but is turning out to be a good communication tool. I quote one of the Zone Liaison's comments, "I feel it's a good idea and it seems to be working well. Helps Zones become more aware of what the Board does and helps create a more defined line of where items should be placed such as the Program Coordination Committee (PCC) or the SYSI Board."

With regard to Saskatchewan Soccer Association (SSA), SYSI and Saskatoon Adult Soccer Inc. (SASI) were able to have the SSA bylaw regarding the membership voting Formula adjusted to portray a fairer representation of player registrations and we continue to work closely with SSA on all matters.

Again in conjunction with SAS, we signed a new three-year agreement with the Saskatoon and District Soccer Referees Association Inc. (SDSRAI).

We have had staff changes during 2017 with Eden Rakochy leaving to pursue employment with the SSA and Steven Schmidt leaving to pursue an entrepreneur opportunity. I wish to thank them for their time with SYSI and wish them the best in their new positions. Aaron Wright joined us in 2017 and we look forward to him being with us for a while. In particular I would like to thank Erin Fehr for all her efforts through the various staff changes this year and of course a special thank you to Amanda Probe who keeps SYSI and particularly me on the straight and narrow.

I wish to thank the SYSI Board of Directors 2016-17 for their work this past year:

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| 1. President      | David Taylor   |
| 2. Vice President | Mark Millard   |
| 3. Director       | Andrew Restall |
| 4. Director       | Cleve Len      |
| 5. Director       | Dai Quance     |
| 6. Director       | Kim Anderson   |
| 7. Director       | Meric Osman    |

In addition, thank you to the PCC members, Scott Bryden (Audit and Finance), and Chris Woodland (Board Development Committee) for their good committee work.

I am stepping down from the President's position as soon as the new Board has a chance to meet and appoint new positions and thank everyone for all the assistance you have given me over the past few years. I look forward to continuing my service on the Board as a director and past president.

Last but not least a thanks always goes out to the parents, coaches, and volunteers who make youth soccer FUN in Saskatoon.

Sincerely,

David Taylor  
President