Strathcona County Minor Football Association Wolverines

AGM Meeting Minutes | November 21, 2024, 6:30 p.m. | Druids Clubhouse

Meeting called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Chelsea Casson

Changes to Agenda -

4) Director Elections for Member at Large Nominations received - Add Westin Bennett

1) Motion to approve the agenda as quorum was not met made by Travis Kemp, 2nd by Chirstopher Cassady; all in favor

Motion to approve the agenda with changes made by Ed Makarus, 2nd by Travis Kemp; all in favor

Motion to approve the minutes from 2023 AGM made by Christopher Cassady, 2nd by Trista Shewfelt

Chelsea Casson completed introductions of all board members

 Presidents Report – President (Chelsea Casson) report given – see attached handout SCMFA Wolverines Board of Directors – Year End Report 2024

Experienced challenges this season but looking to move forward for family, athletes, staff and board members.

Would like communication with all and to provide effective procedures to help grow, develop (physically and emotionally).

- 3) Directors Reports
 - i. Fundraising (Trista Shewfelt) report given
 - ii. Equipment (Sandor Vanyk) report given
 - iii. Register (Chelsea Casson on behalf of Kathleen Engel) report give
 - iv. Communications (Tracie MacDonald) report given
 - v. Member at Large (Cory Seward) report given
 - vi. Secretary (Chelsea Casson on behalf of Chantelle Phoummasak) report given

Question – Will you be opening the store before Christmas for apparel? Answer – We are unsure if we will be opening the store this year prior to Christmas but can be discussed at the meeting in January for next year.

- vii. Treasurer (Holly Peng)
 - i. Financial Profit and Loss Spreadsheet reviewed see attached handout Strathcona County Minor Football Association Statement for Profit and Loss January – December 2024.
 - ii. We purchased new helmets, knee pads, pants, machine to help with lines, medical equipment, balls.
 - iii. Winter Camp and Registration far exceeded what we thought at approx.. \$82K

Question – Why wasn't novice listed under Total Team Expenses? Answer – They were under the Team Expenses.

Question – How much do we have in Casino, etc.? Answer - \$22K in Casino, \$79K in Operating, \$828.00 in Machine, and \$23,300 in Equipment

Question – Are we worried about the Casino and when do we do the Casino again?

Answer – We have been keeping track and using the Casino funds in portions each year. The next Casino will be held in 3 years (2026).

Question – Will there be a Wishlist that parents can bring to the board's attention, for example – Walking Sled?

Answer – Yes, we will be sending out a survey to ask parents for their feedback and Wishlist as well as it will be discussed at the board meeting in January.

Question – Will there be funds for children whose families aren't able to afford? Answer – Yes, we are looking into it and it is one of the ideas we would like to proceed with in the future.

viii. Coaching Director (Chelsea Casson on behalf of Shawn Slator) report given.

Question – Due to some conflicts and practice days, will this be something that will be looked at prior to the fall season starting next year?

Answer – It will be looked at as well as reviewing the survey. The new coaching director will be handling the head coach and then we believe it would be best for the head coach to decide on staff (assistant coaches, managers, etc.). We believe that it can be up to the head coach on whether they want to practice once or twice (U9) or any other levels.

Comment - Yes, I think that it would be up to the head coach to decide on staff and practice days and shouldn't be up to just one person.

Question – Will there be a Wolverines Football Flag league this spring? And if not, will there be issues for parents and athletes who want to participate in NFL Flag? Answer – We have been looking into starting a Spring Flag; however, we are trying to find indoor field space and right now the only places are in Edmonton and a lot of the parents do not want to have to travel to Edmonton. This will be an ongoing review to hopefully in the future have a sprint flag league.

With respect to parents and kids participating in the NFL Flag league, we have no problem as long as they do not advertise the Wolverines. For example, wearing their wolverines gear, hats, etc.

We found a lot of kids came to the Wolverines this year due to the NFL Flag league, especially the U9 going from 1 team last year to 2 this year.

4) Directors Elections

Vice President – Tracie MacDonald – nominated by Chelsea Casson, 2nd by Holly Pend; all in favor

Secretary – Erin Donovan – nominated by Sandor Vanyek, 2nd by Chelsea Casson; all in favor Treasurer – Holly Peng – returning; all in favor;

Registrar – Tara Cassady – nominated by Tracie MacDonald, 2nd by Holly Peng; all in favor;

Equipment – Ed Makarus – nominated by Chelsea Casson, 2nd by Tracie MacDonald; all in favor;

Communications – Trista Shewfelt – returning; all in favor;

Fundraising – Kim Mauer – nominated by Trista Shewfelt, 2nd by Tracie MacDonald; all in favor;

Coaching Director for all levels – Cory Seward – nominated by Tracie MacDonald, 2nd by Sandor Vanyek; all in favor;

Member at Large – Sandor Vanyek (returning); all in favor;

Member at Large – Miles Morris – nominated by Sandor Vanyek, 2nd by Leah Lyka

Member at Large – Westin Bennett - nominated by Ed Makarus, 2nd by Erin Donovan; all in favor.

5) Questions

Question – Who is the Liaison for our association with Alberta Football and CDMFA? Answer – President of the Association is the liaison with the CDMFA; The CDMFA is the liaison for Football Alberta.

- 6) Motion to end 2024 AGM made by Ed Makarus, 2nd by Eleazer Salazar.
- 7) Adjournment Chelsea Casson adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.