

## **AASC BOARD MEETING 04 November 2024**

**Present:** Board Members: Ralph Spencer, Karen Freethy, Melissa Cross, Jeremy Linning, Stephanie Linning, Danielle Hahn, Amy Anaka, Tim Crosby, Shane Longman, Ashleigh Lockhart, Richard Giele, Chris Arcus, Tim Keizer Staff: Ashley Van Vliet

**Call to Order:** 8:04 p.m.

*The Alberni Athletics Soccer Club respectfully acknowledges the territories of the Nuu-chah-nulth Nations, on whose lands we train, compete, live, and grow.*

**Motion:** *to adopt the amended previous minutes.*

*Tim C/Chris/Carried*

### **EXECUTIVE REPORTS:**

**CHAIR:** {Ralph} Two fundraising requests have been approved with conditions.

**VICE CHAIR:** {Karen} Nothing to report.

**TREASURER:** {Angela} Absent. Emailed report: Great news! Dana Forrester has agreed to take on the Treasurer position for the next fiscal year. She and I will work together between now and then to ensure a smooth transition.

#### **Current Fiscal Year so far:**

Total Revenue: \$191,524.01

Total Expenses: \$96,135.24

#### **Notable expenses in October:**

Turf/Light Usage: \$5,852.00

Ref Fees: \$2,260.00

Office Reno: \$1,477.23

#### **Bank Balances @ October 31, 2024**

Chequing: \$149,438.08

Gaming: \$18,413.32

Savings: \$12,465.16

Cash: \$1,255.65

**SECRETARY:** {Melissa} Nothing to report.

**ADMINISTRATOR:** {Ashley} Christmas Party details to be determined; schedule until Christmas is posted on the website; still working with some coaches to get everyone set up on TeamSnap – some players profiles don't have emails attached to them; CRC's will be completed soon.

**MOTION:** *To adopt Executive Report's*

*Ashleigh/Danielle/Carried*

**Director Reports:**

**U5/6 Girls:** {Tim C} Would like to find incentive for people to take the coaching courses. Will bring a proposal so this can be fixed so more coaches will attend. Active start was cancelled and Fundamentals only had two coaches from our club attend.

**U5/6 Boys:** {Ralph} Division is going well.

**U7/8 Girls:** {Tim C} Nothing to report.

**U7 Boys:** {Chris A} Have been using TeamSnap to communicate with coaches. Some coaches don't show up every week because they feel like there are two or three coaches in total and they don't need to. Have made several attempts to reach out to parents for another coach as I have a coach leaving.

**U8 Boys:** {Richard} Going well. High attendance in the division.

**U9 Boys:** {Jeremy} Nothing to report.

**U9/10 Girls:** {Amy} Working well having a lead coach to work with and report back to me as I cannot always be there when they play. A team only has one coach, and there's times they have been unable to attend, and other coaches have had to take on two teams. Parents/caregivers are unwilling to step up to help. The coach and I will continue to try and find someone to help.

**U10/11 Boys:** {Ashleigh} Numbers seem strong every week. Practices are going well. Field conditions are good.

**U11/12/13 Girls:** {Amy} Some attendance issues making teams short, but everyone has been adapting well and making it work based on who is there. Some of the younger players are requiring extra support. Continuing to communicate importance of arriving at least 15 mins early to warm up, as many players (and some coaches) are arriving around game start time.

**U12/13 Boys:** {Tim} No known issues or complaints to report. Teams remain evenly uneven pending on rep players showing up.

**U14+: {Danielle}:** No major issues to report. It should be noted that numbers have dropped since the beginning of the year. One practice had only 11 players show up; however, this was likely weather related. We will continue to monitor numbers and adjust accordingly as in previous years. Have received feedback from parents about picture day communication. It was suggested that the schedule state simply the time of arrival rather than the photo schedule and an email asking to arrive early.

**REFEREE IN CHIEF: {Ralph}** Going well. Everyone who is available is getting games. Coaches have been patient and respectful.

**EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR: {Shane}** No equipment issues to report. Email with any questions or concerns.

**TECHNICAL DIRECTOR: {Travis}**

1. Coaching courses Learn to Train, FUNdamentals & Soccer for Life are complete. Went well. Great feedback from participants.
2. In the recruiting phase for female coaches for Telus She Can grant. Please direct candidates to myself. These would be females who are new or fairly new to coaching (can be a seasoned player with not much coaching background).
3. Many discussions with UISA reps about PDL season and Spring Tier II & III logistics. TBD
4. Angela and I to meet with Lucas Castro regarding renewal of our Canada Soccer Quality Soccer Provider designation. Please let me know if you have questions or will join our group to make this happen.
5. GK clinics complete. Hope to offer again but we currently have no more funding for this.
6. U7 boys Keener soccer started on Mondays from 5-550pm. Need a lead coach for a female Keener group.
7. I would like to ask that Stefan Szwerek could be invited to attend our next BOD meeting in December as a guest for 20 minutes at the beginning of the meeting to present on his proposal to build a technical plan for our club.
8. **Vevo:** Request to purchase a Vevo. We have two sponsors.
  1. Dennis See who has already purchased the yearly subscription for the U12's at a cost of \$1500USD. Club would need to pay the difference for the upgrade to add 4 teams which would cost \$300.
  2. One time fee for equipment = \$2140USD. I have a sponsor who would offset the cost by \$1000.
  3. Total cost in year 1 for the club = about \$1500
  4. Alternative option is [XBotGo Chameleon](#)
  5. Meeting with Vevo is set up for November 15 1040am-11am. Please let me know if you want to join.
9. **Soccer Office Report:**
  1. Money spent so far \$1880.94.

2. Next steps; Install baseboards; Electrical (estimate \$2000-3000); Plumbing (estimate \$1319.53 - We may be able to get it cheaper through an in-kind donation); Desk, kitchen counter/cabinets with sink, storage cabinets, tv mount (estimate \$8000)
3. Maring Lange and Melissa will lead the completion of the project, but they need an approved budget to do so.

**MOTION:** *Move to spend up to \$3000.00 on electrical for the soccer office renovation.*

*Chris/Jeremy/Carried*

**Action:** Melissa will email the board with an office renovation recommendation and budget for the board to look at, discuss and approve so the project can move forward.

**CLOTHING COMMITTEE:** {Melanie} Have submitted all the rep team orders to Soccer X but one. Sarah Provencal will be taking over as committee lead. Have been in communication about job description duties and will meet with her to further explain the role.

**UISA:** {Stephanie} Nothing to report.

**MOTION:** *to accept director's reports.*

*Ashley L/Amy/Carried*

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Survey: Online survey for the City of Port Alberni Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan was shared on the Facebook page for members to complete and share their input regarding the high demand of needing a new turf field. Thank you to those who completed the survey.
2. Team Snap check-in: Still working though the details.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Treasure and Clothing Committee: See Treasurer and Clothing Committee report for further details.

Next Meeting: Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 8pm - Zoom

**Adjourned: 9:14 p.m.**