



WESTMOUNT SOCCER CLUB

INTERCITY SOCCER PROGRAM

Minutes

Westmount Soccer Club – AGM

February 10, 2020

Westmount Arena

Attendance: Josee Daoust, Ava Nouraeyan, Sid Farah, Janet Faith, Erica Kim Lalonde, Cameron Mackenzie, Paola Samuel, Azra Khan, Mats Gruen, Mark Mizrahi, Andrew Bolton, Jose Miguel Rodriguez, Phil Lalonde and Nicolas Van Praet

1. **Call for start of meeting: Josee Daoust at 19h05 pm**
2. **Welcome to all (Josee)**
 - Reminder to sign Attendance Sheets
3. **Approve Minutes from last 2019 AGM**
 - Motion to Approve 2019 AGM minutes: Ava Nouraeyan
 - Seconded: Erica Kim Lalonde
4. **Review Agenda**
 - Motion to Approve 2020 Agenda: Ava Nouraeyan
 - Seconded: Cameron Mackenzie
5. **Introduce the 2020 BOD members:**
 - **Departing (elections to be had)**
 1. Alexandra Leslie
 2. Gael Gravenor
 3. Nik Diksic
 4. Valerie Cherneski
 - **Returning:**
 1. Doug Hamilton (acting President)
 2. Alicia Iatkovski-Hamilton (VP competition, team manager, apparel/equipment)
 3. Ava Nouraeyan (registration, social media)

4. Brendan Clark (sponsorship)
 5. Erica Kim Lalonde (former Ref coordinator & HR matters)
 6. Paola Samuel (Organic field, special event coordinator)
 7. Sid Farah (Technical Director)
- **New:**
 1. Dana Tisch (Manager of team managers)
 2. Janet Faith (Secretary, team manager)
 3. Megan Melville (Manager of team managers, Club Classification)
 4. Nicolas Van Praet (apparel/equipment + journalist)
 5. Cameron MacKenzie (referee scheduler/coordinator),
 6. Andrew Bolton (Treasurer)
 - **New Executives BOD:**
 1. President: Doug Hamilton
 2. Vice President: Josee Daoust
 7. Secretary: Janet Faith (secretary)
 3. Treasurer: Andrew Bolton
 - Motion to approve new Executive: Erica Kim Lalonde
 - Seconded by: Cameron MacKenzie
 - Note: Club is all volunteer run, can always use more families to support. Coaching, team managers, special events, fundraisers, pictures/articles for teams, sell apparel. etc

6. Club Development Center (U8 to U12):

Note: Preparing documentation/article for our website and to highlight changes to parents & more info will be provided at first session

- New structure mandatory, by the Canadian Soccer Association in conjunction with the Quebec Soccer Foundation.
- The Club Licensing Program is applied by all clubs within the region starting in 2020. All clubs throughout Canada must follow this same mandate.
 - WSC has applied for **Regional** Licensing (same as right now, allows A + AA teams)
- LSL will supervise and evaluate the clubs to assure that the mandate is being properly implemented and improved on.

What does it mean for WSC youth teams?

- Provide more opportunities to players:

- No more selections (try-outs), all players can participate in the CDC
- All kids will have the opportunity to play games based on their skills, biological age and month of birth
- No limitations on “Mutated” players (out of club players) for U8 to U11 starting in 2020. U12 starting as of 2021.
- All participants within an age/gender group will have access to all the coaches and tech staff
 - Coaches will not be assigned a permanent group for trainings and games
- No more team divisions for U9 to U11 starting in 2020. U12 starting as of 2021.
- Practice approaches will change and work in 4 difference sections:
 - Technical, decision making, coordination and games

7. 2019 Survey Results:

2019 Similar to previous years • Very satisfied + satisfied 95% • Sample size 177 responses

8. 2020 team formation:

- 14 teams submitted on Jan 31/2020 to LSL:
 - Girls: u8, u10, u12, u14
 - Boys: u, 2xu9, u10, u12, u13, u14, u16 u18, senior team
- Registration remains open, tell your friends and families!
- Teams above are still subject to change

9. Financial Status:

- Finished 2019 season with \$2.8 surplus, overall bank surplus \$14K
- +10K surplus in bank to start season (such as payment for fields, league fees etc)
- Highest expenses in 2019 were:
 - a. Fields
 - b. League expenses
 - c. Clothing & Equipment costs
- Increase in 2020 registration prices:
 - a. A teams: \$350/season
 - b. AA teams: \$400/season (higher ref and league costs + transportation for far games)

Note: Fees have not increased for several years yet club is incurring more costs for:

- i. Certification Program (\$1.4k)
- ii. Coach training
- iii. Field rentals
- iv. Referee charges
- v. Increases in uniform/apparel costs

10. First practices & Tryout dates (>u12) &:

- Last weekend of March and first of April 2020
- Concordia Dome

11. Organic Turf Field update (Paola):

- Sustain organic artificial field campaign
- Essential for continued growth of the club
- Petition: <https://westmountsoccer.org/2019/10/21/help-us-november-4-we-need-anorganic-artificial-turf-field/>

12. Q & A period:

13. Adjournment: Erica Kim Lalonde at 19h50pm