

TillsonburgFC Board Minutes



Location: Tillsonburg (The Spot, Tillsonburg Mall)
Date: 2023-Oct-10
Time: 8:30pm

Present: M. Boric, R. Cox, F. Deutsch, C. Gazely, B. Harrington, C. Kowalski, M. Locker, D. Oliveira, M. Papioannou, J. Twinem
Regrets: J. Pathy, E. Sopronyi,
Guest: Milton Toledo, 3DVR Designs

1. **Call to Order** - 8:32pm
2. **Adoption of the Agenda** - adopted by consensus with presentation delayed until arrival of guest
3. **Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest** - none
4. **Presentation:**
 - 4.1. Milton Toledo (3D VR Designs) made a presentation about his venture: Elite Football Lab on Bell Mill Sideroad. Mr. Toledo is looking for a Football Club to partner with on the venture and will send his presentation, links to the videos he shared and an outline of the partnership he envisions. (Material provided attached to the minutes). Board members will review and the Club will provide a response to Mr. Toledo by Oct 17, 2023.
5. **Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings**
 - 5.1. MOTION: Moved by F. Deutsch; Seconded by M. Boric
THAT the minutes of the TillsonburgFC Board of Directors Meeting on Monday September 18, 2023 be approved. **CARRIED**
6. **General Business & Reports**
 - 6.1. Financial Report

F. Deutsch advised that as of September 30, 2023 the Club's accumulated balance is \$29,482 of which \$20,633 is the current operating surplus for the 2023 year. It is anticipated that there is approximately \$10,000 in expenses yet to be paid before the end of the year, so the projection for the accumulated surplus at year-end is \$19,500.

 - 6.1.1. MOTION: Moved by J. Twinem; Seconded by C. Gazely
THAT the TillsonburgFC Financial Statements as of September 30, 2023 be approved as distributed. **CARRIED**
 - 6.2. Facility Update

R. Cox advised that the TVDSB has confirmed permits for 6-10pm on Mondays & Wednesdays at Glendale and 6-10pm on Tuesdays & Thursdays at South Ridge. The permits are from Oct 16, 2023 through May 15, 2024 and have a total cost of \$45.20. If the futsal league goes forward at full strength there will be a need for more time. Coaches are not yet ready to start indoor programming on Oct 16, so to avoid penalties R. Cox to cancel start up until Oct. 23.
 - 6.3. Referees update

EMSA is looking for more referees for 2024. There were some officials disciplined during the 2023 season. M. Boric will coordinate futsal referees if needed.
 - 6.4. Tryouts Update

J. Twinem provided a written update (attached) regarding the two try-out sessions held

in September including recommendations for improvements needed next time. There were over 140 male & female players who attended ranging from U8 through U17. J. Twinem will finalize a letter template for coaches to use to send to their teams. There will be no cuts made at this time - the expectation and goal of TillsonburgFC is to find a place for every player who wants to play with us, given enough coaches to support the teams.

6.5. Registration Update

D. Oliveira advised that to date there have been 12 registrations with most players between 2016-2013. There are a lot of parents asking questions and hesitating until they have confirmation of being on the team. M. Locker explained the pool group system and mixed age pool and how it will work. D. Oliveira to draft & send an email blast of explanation to try and answer the questions with individual follow ups from coaches using the template from J. Twinem.

6.6. Coaching Certifications Plan

J. Twinem advised of continued work to support coaches getting their certifications over the fall & winter so there isn't a big rush in the spring. If possible, securing some sessions locally will help with this.

6.7. Indoor Program update/discussion

J. Twinem provided an outline of a proposed futsal league (attached). Expectation is that coaches assist with convening the league for their age group. More gym time is needed to support this. R. Cox to submit a request for Fridays at Glendale & Mon/Wed at Southridge. (NOTE: Fridays are not available at Glendale. Tues/Thurs submitted.)

6.8. Uniforms/Equipment update

C. Gazely advised that there is a lot of tidying needed at the storage room and shelves are needed.

MOTION: Moved by F. Deutsch; Seconded by R. Cox

THAT-C. Gazely be authorized to spend up to \$300 for shelves. **CARRIED.**

6.9. Marketing update

6.9.1. The Tillsonburg Santa Claus Parade is scheduled for Saturday Nov 18 at 6pm.

Discussion about whether TillsonburgFC should participate. C. Kowalski will find a player parent to coordinate a float. C. Gazely offered to try and start a Booster Club as a separate group of people who would organize things like a presence at Turtlefest & parades and the year-end event so the Board can focus on soccer operations.

MOTION: Moved by F. Deutsch; Seconded by M. Pappioannou

THAT C. Gazely be authorized to start organizing a TillsonburgFC Booster Club. **CARRIED**

6.9.2. Soccer signage

D. Oliveira will ask the Town for permission to put up the signs and will meet up with M. Pappioannou on Sunday to install them.

6.9.3. Fundraising at year end event - M. Pappioannou advised that the net proceeds at the event were \$412. D. Oliveira to add new membership names to mailing list.

7. Standing items

7.1. EMSA updates - M. Locker advised there is a zoom hearing scheduled for Oct 12 regarding the Masters team and a mandatory EMSA meeting on Oct 15 which he will attend.

7.2. Club Licensing - R. Cox advised that Ontario Soccer emailed an update and TillsonburgFC is required to submit an updated personnel list on the template provided by Oct 27, 2023.

7.3. Strategic Plan - deferred

8. New Business/Correspondence

8.1. M. Locker provided a uniform/kit quote received from SoccerX for the 2024 kits. (attached). The shirts are Adidas and the cost ranges from \$49.75 to \$26.50 for the shirts. After the information was presented M. Locker and B. Harrington left the meeting so the Board could review the two quotes received. R. Cox to get clarification from Soccer Fanatic regarding price ranges they provided and the final decision to be made November 6, 2023.

9. Next Meeting

- November 6th, The Spot; 8:30pm
- November 29th Lions Den; 7pm
- December 4th The Spot; 8:30pm
- January 8th The Spot; 8:30pm

10. **Adjournment:** 10:35pm

Note: Agenda item requested for next meeting - memberships