

Dakota Soccer Club – April Board Meeting Agenda
Sunday, April 13, 2025
Inver Glen Library

Call to Order 6:05PM

Roll Call

Dakota Soccer Club Voting Positions			
President (interim)	Matt Thompson – (Y)	Treasury	Justin Humenik – (Y)
Vice President (interim)	Andrew Held – (Y)	Secretary	Nathan Peterson – (Y)
Traveling Coordinator	Brian Applequist – (Y)	Volunteer Coordinator	Kellie Kronberg – (Y)
Rec Coordinator	Andrew Held – (Y)	Equipment Coordinator	Molly & Bernie Schroeder – (Y)
Volunteer Coordinator	Vanessa Coates – (Y)	Web Development	Larry Deutsch – (Y)
At Large Board Members	Mary Dunn – (Y)		Ben Nelson (Y)
DSC Paid Positions			
Director of Coaching / Ref Assignor	Jake Smothers – (Y)	Registrar / Field Assignor	Jon Fredeen – (Y)
Rec Director	Jon Martinson – (Y)	Communications/ Club Admin.	Trina Hatcher – (Y)

Greet and address any guests | Dan Fishbach

Consideration of previous Board Meeting Minutes | Approved. Matt motioned Justin 2nd and all present approved.

Upcoming Events

- DSC Spring/Summer Rec League, May and June 2025, July Jamboree
- Summer Rec Soccer Clinic, July 21-August 13
- Fall Rec Soccer, September and October 2025
- June'25 MNUFC Camp (June 27 and June 28)
- Soccer Photos | Scheduled for Thursday, June 19th, and Wednesday, June 25th (team schedule TBD)
- Dakota Soccer at MNUFC | September 20, 7:30 PM

Executive Group

- Scholarships (one 2011 boy)- A request for a scholarship for a 2011 boy from a single-parent household was discussed and approved for a full scholarship
- Refund for A. O. (Privacy redacted)- Discussion about the club's PPGs regarding medical refunds and whether the player could still participate in some capacity if they wish.
- A 2009 girl registered despite the age group being full and is new to soccer [privacy redacted]
- A motion was passed to move the Field Coordinator duties and the associated \$3,000 stipend to Jake. This aligns with his current responsibility for dome coordination and makes sense for game rescheduling and overall game scheduling by having one point of contact for referees and field coordination. Jake and Jon will split the stipend this season, but Jake will take on the full role going forward.
Motion to approve Jake as Field Assigner was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report |

- MidWest One Bank Balance as of March 31, 2025, is \$86,685.46
- Our lease at the old storage locker has been canceled and everything must be out by 4/30/2025
- The new Storage locker is rented, and payment is auto debited. Is there an online account?
- In need of signed contracts for 2025.

- Have received updated and signed contracts for:
 - o U19 Boys - Jessie Juarez
 - o U10 Girls - Emily Dumbeck
 - o U12 Girls - Emily Dumbeck
 - o U16 Girls - Dana Krone
 - o U17 Girls - Seth Tjaden
- Have received an updated but unsigned contract for:
 - o U14 Girls - Max Lipset
- Have not received updated or signed contracts for:
 - o U10 Boys
 - o U11 Boys
 - o U12 Boys
 - o U13 Boys
 - o U16 Boys
 - o U19 Boys
 - o U10 Girls White
 - o U15 Girls
 - o Director of Coaching - Jake Smothers
 - o Asst. Director of Coaching - Nick Hoff
 - o Ref Mentor - Dan Fischbach
 - o Rec Coordinator - Jon Martinson
 - o Field Coordinator – Jon Fredeen/Jake Smothers
 - o Registrar – Jon Fredeen
- Missing invoices for:
 - o 03/10/2025 XX1393 DDA PURCHASE US CLUB SOCCER MYRTLE BEACH SC 77459287 5069001286 \$250.00
 - o 03/13/2025 XX1432 DDA PURCHASE GOTSOCER JACKSONVILLE FL 77963433 507200082022 \$20.00
 - o 03/13/2025 XX1432 DDA PURCHASE IOWA RUSH SOCCER CLUB ANKENY IA 76496036 507200081 \$875.00
 - o 03/18/2025 XX1393 DDA PURCHASE AMAZON MKTPL* K811R7FX3 Amzn.com/bill WA 00235251 5 \$173.48
 - o 03/20/2025 XX1393 DDA PURCHASE US CLUB SOCCER MYRTLE BEACH SC 77459287 5079000806 \$10.00
 - o 03/20/2025 XX1393 DDA PURCHASE US CLUB SOCCER MYRTLE BEACH SC 77459287 5079000805 \$297.75
 - o 03/20/2025 XX1393 DDA PURCHASE US CLUB SOCCER MYRTLE BEACH SC 77459287 5079000805 \$822.00
 - o 03/20/2025 XX1393 DDA PURCHASE US CLUB SOCCER MYRTLE BEACH SC 77459287 5079000805 \$828.00
 - o 03/20/2025 XX1393 DDA PURCHASE US CLUB SOCCER MYRTLE BEACH SC 77459287 5079000805 \$1,195.50
 - o 03/20/2025 XX1393 DDA PURCHASE US CLUB SOCCER MYRTLE BEACH SC 77459287 5079000805 \$1,337.75

Traveling Coordinator |

- Still looking for managers for each team; about half have one.
- Team Bags: Matt will provide a packing list for team bags, which typically include cones, pennies, balls, a pump, goalie gloves, and a blood jersey (which have been ordered). First aid kits had been discontinued but could be reintroduced.
- A manager/coach handbook will be sent out with updated information. No manager info session is currently planned.

Rec Coordinator |

- Registration for the SSP spring recreation league is underway. Out of 232 openings, 160 slots are filled. The U7 girls group is currently full, but there are openings in other age groups, including U7 boys and double-digit slots in most others. U10 girls are at half capacity for fielding four teams.
- Uniforms: Despite lower-than-ideal registration numbers, the recommendation is to order uniforms, assuming most slots will fill in the coming weeks. Ordering shirts only this year will simplify sizing.
- Coaches: 5-6 people have volunteered to coach again, but 15-18 more coaches are needed in the next month.
- The schedule will likely be a copy of last year's due to the same number of teams in each division. This will allow for quicker scheduling of referees. The schedule should be published in the next few days.
- A referee orientation is planned for the first week of May, assuming field lines are painted. The first game day for boys is May 12th, and for girls is May 13th.
- Meet Your Coach Day: May 12th (boys) and May 13th (girls) will be "meet your coach day" with loose practice and uniform distribution. Official activities begin shortly after, with the last week of the regular season being the week of June 26th.
- Summer Rec Soccer Clinic: The Inver Grove clinic will be four weeks in July/August, headed by John. It is considered "pretty low maintenance" with set lesson plans and city-provided equipment and fields at Sky View.
- The goal is for the fall program to mirror the spring league with dedicated coaches, teams, and a schedule. Dates are firm, and field diagrams with ice rink lights as a backup are in place. Staffing is the biggest anticipated challenge.

Coaching Director |

- Reschedule Process: Finalized, with 16 teams and 80 home games. 85-90% of referees have been assigned. Many reschedules were processed recently.

- The club is in a "precarious position" relying on a few adult referees. Younger referees are not taking many games. Charlie needs to mark his availability in RefAssigner. Dan is willing to take games (not boys' center ref) and mentor.
- Coaching Staff: Every team has a coach except the U12 boys. Their coach stepped down due to UPSL and college commitments. Actively seeking a replacement. A coach was found to assist and then take over the U11 boys, and a Spanish-speaking assistant coach was added for the 2011s.
- Practice Attendance: Concerns raised about inconsistent attendance of boys' coaches (U11-U16) at Tuesday and Saturday practices, leading to player dissatisfaction. This will be addressed with the coaches.
- Coaching Bags: Need to ensure all coaches receive their bags. The Quartermaster should be contacted.
- 2013 Boys: Their roster ballooned to 20 players. The solution is to register them for 3-4 tournaments, rostering 15 different players per game/tournament to ensure everyone gets playing time. Creating a second team was not feasible due to lack of available spots in other leagues.
- Rosters: Generally good, except for the over-rostered 2013 boys (addressed) and some shortages on the girls' side (second U10, U13). The U14 girls have 12 players with a 13th pending a transfer. Collaboration between U10/11 girls teams for potential play-down is being utilized.

Equipment |

- The old storage locker is emptied. 50 boxes of pull tabs are at the new locker.
- The new storage locker is being organized. Balls are sorted by size in black (size 4) and white (size 3) bags. Inventory list exists on Google Docs. Ball quality is reported as generally good.
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Volunteer Coordinator |

- A potential manager has been identified for the U15 girls.
- The next volunteer need will be field setup. Matt will provide timing from the city for striping.
- Discussion about coach's boxes on the fields and potential use of referees to manage the boundaries if the city doesn't stripe them. Dimensions would be needed for the city.

Web Master |

- Will update the website with event dates. Requests for website updates should be directed to Larry.

Fundraising Coordinator |

- Need to pick up a check from B52s (approximately \$482). It should be given to Justin.
- Discussion about potentially operating a concession stand during REC league on Wednesdays and Thursdays in June, utilizing a 10-day health department license. This would require volunteers and a method for handling payments (cash primarily discussed due to limitations with digital options). Concessions at Jamboree are already planned. A motion was passed to pencil in Wednesdays and Thursdays in June for the license application while tabling the final decision on opening before Jamboree.

Communications |

- Emails that need to be sent out (another uniform storefront, MNUFC game, Medica survey)
- Blood jerseys have been ordered

Meeting Adjournment

- The next meeting was originally scheduled for Mother's Day. A motion was made and passed to move the next meeting to Sunday, May 4th at 6:00 PM.