



Oceanside Football Club

Annual General Meeting May 26, 2025

Location: 7:00 @ Quality Food Parksville, upstairs board room

Meeting called to order: 7:02 pm

Present: Rob MacKenzie, Sunny Mckechnie, Mike McMillen, Aaron Pelley, Ryan Pringle, Anthony Ramalho, Tim Robertson, Jacqueline Spray, Lauren Valliquette

Guests: Amanda Beal, Steve Crompton, Micky Doerksev, Jeanie Gray, Stuart Gray, Jess McLaren, Meghan McMillen, John Morettie, Darcy Pastuck, Shiray Raines, Darren Scott, Kailee Stefanovic, Amanda Wall, Callie Wickman, Vicki Wickman

Board AGM discussion:

1) Call to Order

- Introductions of current board

2) Approval of Agenda

MOTION: To accept the agenda for the AGM, 2nd, passed.

3) President's Address

Good evening, everyone, and thank you for joining us for the OFC Annual General Meeting. As we gather tonight, I'm filled with gratitude for the incredible work, dedication, and passion that our players, coaches, volunteers, and community have put in over the past year.

We've achieved some truly fantastic milestones this year. We've added highly qualified members to our technical team, strengthening the support we can provide to all our players. We also welcomed our new registrar, Kailee, who, together with Amanda in operations, is helping ensure the club runs smoothly and efficiently.

Our community outreach has been exceptional. Our Soccer in Schools program provided five elementary schools in SD69 with equipment and access to technical resources from OFC and BC Soccer—laying the foundation for future generations of players. We also hosted the inaugural BC Soccer Girls Play event, supporting grassroots coaching by helping local coaches complete essential training courses. Our partnership with the UVIC men's team continues and plans to run our 3rd year of summer minicamp for our youth.

On the competitive front, we saw tremendous success: our U15 boys won the PDL Cup, the U15 girls were runners-up, and, for the first time that I'm aware of, OFC entered a tier 2 team in the WCL. We've also expanded our adult teams to include 30+, 55+, and 65+ age brackets—showing that soccer truly is a game for life!

I want to give special recognition to John Moriette for his exceptional work with the U12/U13 girls rep team this year. John has gone above and beyond, entering tournaments, arranging friendlies, and even putting his name forward to serve on our board. Thank you, John, for your tireless dedication.

However, as we celebrate these successes, we must also acknowledge the ongoing challenges our community faces—particularly around access to field space and facilities. This remains a significant barrier for our club and for the growth of soccer in our region. Many of our current fields need maintenance, and the lack of basic facilities like washrooms can make it difficult for players and families to fully enjoy the game.



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The Ravensong fields have a new water pump installed to service the sprinklers across all areas. Ravensong was also seeded and aerated, and KSS was top-dressed and seeded to improve playability. QBES has posts in place and serves as a home field when required. And although there have been some delays, we're optimistic about gaining access to the Jack Bagley field in Nanoose Bay later this year. With work being completed on some of our fields, we must hammer home with the RDN, City of Parksville, Town of Qualicum Beach, and SD69 that we need more. Our players deserve more safe, well-maintained, and accessible facilities to train, play, and grow.

Looking ahead, we want to emphasize player development as the cornerstone of what OFC is known for. We're committed to helping every player reach their full potential, whether they're just starting out or striving to compete at the highest levels. To support this, we will continue to advocate strongly for improved facilities—including the much-needed addition of a synthetic turf complex in our region, similar to what our sister clubs in the North Island enjoy.

We also want to expand our programming to better serve our community's needs. This includes offering more indoor opportunities, such as futsal, as well as active start programs for our youngest players. These initiatives will help us ensure that soccer at OFC remains fun, accessible, and engaging for everyone.

In support of these goals, I'd like to note that OFC currently has approximately \$300,000 in restricted funds on our balance sheet. We are hopeful that some of these funds can be used to install lights at our two local high schools, giving us much-needed access to more field space and evening programming.

I encourage everyone to stay involved, share your ideas, and help shape the future of our club.

Thank you all for your dedication and your passion for the game. Here's to another great year ahead!

Sincerely
Mike McMillen

4) Scholarship Recipients

- One recipient from each high school
- Kipp Lindsey scholarship - Jeanie Gray (starting 4-year program, undeclared in general sciences at UVic) and Callie Wickman (taking a gap year to travel and then taking a massage therapy course at UVic which is a 2-year course)

5) 2024/2025 Financial Review - Steve Crompton, CPA Dene Roberts Inc.

- This financial review has to be completed every two years
- Compilation review is an audit that doesn't give an opinion, just a review to make sure the financial statements make sense from a tax side. A full audit gives an opinion, a financial review is somewhere in the middle
- A negative opinion was the result of the financial review, this means they have not found anything to raise flags, it's an absence of anything wrong
- A balance sheet, lists assets and expenses
 - Materiality is how much you are out by, everything looks good on this front except the amount spent on jerseys needs to be tracked in more detail in future years
 - Equity, there was \$26,000 of interest earned in two years
 - There was a small loss this year due to expenses on equipment, if the equipment will last, we won't see this loss next year
- Steve has completed a financial review for OFC in 2021, 2023, and 2025



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- In 2021, OFC was in a survival mode coming off COVID, now in 2025 OFC is continuing to improve and expand, not just becoming a feeder club for bigger clubs like Nanaimo

6) 2025/2026 Budget Approval - Treasurer

- No registration fee increases until summer 2026 where fees will increase across the board by \$10
- We were about \$16,000 in the black (the good) this year as we received an additional \$10,000 in gaming grants that we cannot count on next year
- Full financials are available if anyone would like to see, give Jacquie your email address and she can send out a copy
- Revenue from 2024 to 2025:
 - Actuals for 2023/2024 \$254,000 and for 2024/2025 \$358,000, this increase can be also accounted to increase in fundraising and programming as we now offer programming 6-days a week
 - The increase in revenue also came with an increase in expenses and an increase in volunteer time

MOTION: To pass the budget as presented, 2nd, passed.

7) Reserved Funds Vote

MOTION: To internally restrict the GIC funds at BMO for another year to be put towards capital projects, 2nd, passed.

8) Motion of Officers and Directors

- If anyone is interested in joining the board, we are looking for succession planning (especially for president and vice president roles)
- If you or anyone you know is interested, please consider joining, always looking for board members, the current board is willing to mentor new comers
- Can have up to 15 board members, we have 9 people currently
- Current officers and directors
 - Mike will stay on as president for another two years as president
 - Aaron will stay on as vice president for another year
 - Ryan will stay on for another year in the role as governance
 - Tim will stay on for another year in the role of adult programming
 - Rob will stay on for another year as equipment manager
 - Jacquie will stay on for another year as treasurer
 - Sunny will stay on for one more year as director at large
 - Anthony will stay on for one more year as director of sponsorship
 - Lauren will stay on for one more year as secretary
- Question about what roles are available
 - OFC has a list of roles available or you could be a director at large
 - We meet the first monday of the month at QF Parksville upstairs
 - If you are interested you can come and attend a board meeting
 - OFC should share with all members (nearly 500 members) so they know what roles are available
- John M. would like to join the board meeting, he would like join as a director at large

ACTION: To discuss at the July Board meeting the potential roles and get them out to the entire OFC membership.

MOTION: To accept John. M as a new board member as Director at Large, 2nd, passed.



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- Now 10 board members with John

9) Other Business

- Open up to public if anyone has any questions or any feedback
 - When is registration open for the fall - July 1, 2025 and closes 2 weeks before the season starts
 - Fields are not confirmed until Sept 1.
 - Same with spring, we don't know until a week beforehand
 - In the fall we get priority as soccer is the dominant sport, but come spring we don't get priority as baseball is the dominant sport
 - This spring was hectic as baseball and softball is also growing
 - What about fall facility bookings, can we get more of these?
 - We have been looking, if you know of any let us know
 - Always looking for more field space
 - We had 45 teams in 2024/2025 fall season
 - Arbutus is \$80 an hour and incredibly hard to book as it's a busy place, used by other clubs and sports
 - Harewood fields are booked one day a week, we got lucky as there was a cancellation so we got this field space
 - What about a new turf field in the area?
 - At least five years away
 - Mike talking to counsellors about it, potential for a facility at the old dump
 - What about a warehouse?
 - Yes, that would work if you know of anything reach out to Amanda W (operations@oceansidefc.com)
 - Coaches - how can we better prepare to have coaches, especially for the younger ages, the beginners (Jr. pony)?
 - Can we start working on coaches weeks beforehand?
 - How to create a nurturing environment for coaches?
 - Did start a coaches night. Had one last Friday
 - All we did last Friday was meet and talk
 - Need weekly drills. Send a link to support new coaches

ACTION: OFC will have weekly drills sent out to September for the fall 2025/2026 season.

- To have the volunteering and coaching training together, have a recruiting session, have a session where you say what is available for volunteering with how much time it takes to volunteer and how to get into coaching.
 - More coaches training, once a month not sporadically.
 - We welcome you to come to the field and learn. Feel a divide between parents and coaches. Need to make the parents feel welcome
 - Run a coaches training during a practice, parents are there anyways
 - Have a kids coaching night, where kids coach their parents, maybe make one practice. Parents can not be on the field with the kids unless they have a CRC so this would be challenging to coordinate
- The emails for coaches seems like it is directed to existing coaches and not people that have never played
- More ideas
 - Volunteer recognition
 - Thank volunteers
 - Volunteering can feel thankless



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- Survey at the end of the season
 - Free information and feedback
 - Survey coaches and parents
- Fall season possibly too long
 - consider running just Sept to Dec

Next Meeting: July 7 at 7:00 pm, QF upstairs

Meeting Adjourned: 8:08 pm