



**2018-2019
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 10TH, 2019 (6:30pm-7:30pm)
UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB**

WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS:

Mark Monro (VanU FC President) explained the role and structure of the board. The 2018-19 Directors were then individually introduced by name and position.

VanU's promotional video plays.

Mark Monro thanks and recognizes the exceptional teams in attendance, who were invited to the AGM due to their team's accomplishments in Cup play. Each team takes their turn in front of the audience in order to take a team photo.

AGENDA:

Motion to approve agenda (Mark Monro); seconded (Dillon Cameron); motion approved by all.

MINUTES from the 2017-2018 AGM:

Mark Monro states that the previous year's minutes are printed and available for members in attendance to read. *Motion* to approve minutes from the 2017-18 AGM (Mark Monro); seconded (Chantal Cotton); motion approved by all.

REPORTS:

Mark Monro noted that the next stage of the agenda is to review the different reports from VPs and staff. These reports were documented in our “Vancouver United FC Annual Report 2018/2019”.

Mark Monro summarizes his report. He emphasized this was a year of change for VanU. He expressed his confidence in the strategic plan in place.

Gregor Young (Executive Director) summarizes his report. Introduces the Administrative Staff and Gus Karvelis (Technical Director). He discusses various VanU outreach initiatives such as community festivals and school programs, and has various comments about potential VanU facilities.

Jimmy Patsilivas (Director of Operations) summarizes his report. He elaborates on the operational and financial structure of the club. He places an emphasis on expansion and growth, in order to sustain VanU’s status as a leader in Vancouver youth soccer. Jimmy answers numerous questions from members in attendance.

Mark Monro notes that all reports are in the “**Vancouver United FC Annual Report 2018/2019**” for members to review.

FINANCIALS:

Dillon Cameron (VP of U11-U12) presents the financials for 2018-2019 season. Dillon states that VanU ran at a slight deficit, and emphasizes the importance of growth to sustain club services. Indicates the reduced margins of using more expensive fields.

Motion to approve the 2018-2019 financials (Dillon Cameron); seconded (Ewen Cameron); motion approved by all.

ELECTION of DIRECTORS:

Mark Monro introduces Ewen Cameron and invites him to begin the process. Ewen Cameron conducts the election of Directors. He states VanU has authorized 14 Directors.

Ewen Cameron explains how the election process works. He also thanks retiring Director, Eric Vanderluit (Treasurer), for his years of service and commitment to VanU.

Ewen Cameron explains how he has received the commitment from numerous Directors *indicates towards the list at the top left of the screen* for re-election on a two-year

term. He states that vacant spaces can be filled from nominees on the floor. Ewen Cameron highly encourages members on the floor to step forward.

Motion to approve the slate (Ewen Cameron); seconded by Gord Jaggs (Director, Fields and Facilities Chair).

Nominations from the floor were requested; no one was identified.

Motion to reduce number of Directors from 14 to 13 so as to no longer have a vacancy (Ewen Cameron); seconded by (Chantal Cotton); motion approved by all.

Ewen Cameron confirms that the six Directors standing for re-election have been elected by acclamation.

FIELDS and FACILITIES

Gord Jaggs discusses field advocacy.

He addresses the concern stated earlier in the meeting with regard to members wanting to ensure they play locally. Gord states that the Parks Board has eight artificial turf fields east of Main street, relative to two on the west-side. The Parks Board is looking into creating more artificial turf fields on the west-side, though there are advocacy groups who oppose the movement. Gord Jaggs encourages parents who are concerned about being forced to play further east to express their support for the Parks Board to create more west-side artificial turf fields. Gord continues by saying renting UBC fields as oppose to Parks Board fields is triple the cost, and how other clubs do not have this expense due to the public fields available to them.

Gord Jaggs states how we do not have enough grass fields to accommodate for the demand, and how those fields get shut down in poor weather -decreasing playing time.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A member expresses concern over the need for coaches to participate in coaching courses due to time constraints and commitment.

Gregor Young addressed the concern. He expresses how the coaching courses are mandated by BC Soccer. He acknowledges the inconvenience and the levels of commitment, but VanU does their best to accommodate and make the process easier for coaches. One coach per team needs to complete the course. Gregor continues by saying Criminal Record Checks are mandatory for every coach.

Mark Monro shares his experience of participating in the coaching courses. He expressed how the courses helped him feel more confident as a coach and provided a better experience for his players.

No other business

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the 2018-2019 Annual General Meeting (Mark Monro); seconded (Gord Jaggs); motioned approved by all.

ATTENDANCE:

Members: 53

Players: 65