

# **BY-LAWS OF THE MOOSE JAW SOCCER ASSOCIATION INC.**

## **DEFINITIONS:**

In these bylaws:

a) Registered Player shall be any player who has completed the prescribed registration forms and whose current fees are paid in full.

## **ARTICLE 1 – NAME**

1.1 The name of the Association shall be Moose Jaw Soccer Association Inc.

## **ARTICLE 2 – OBJECTIVES**

2.1 Motto: Make it Happen

2.2 Vision Statement: We envision a dynamic environment where all participants succeed in:

- Sportsmanship
- Learning & Development
- Team work in all areas

2.3 Mission Statement: To provide fun, affordable, and quality soccer programs in Moose Jaw and surrounding areas.

2.4 Values:

- Fun & the celebration of the game of soccer
- Affordability
- Quality Programs: Skill development for players, coaches & referees
- Opportunities: A variety of soccer opportunities for all to participate (competitive and recreational)

## **ARTICLE 3 – MEMBERSHIP**

3.1 Membership shall be open to all who are interested in the sport of soccer.

3.1.1 Membership may be purchased for a fee which will be determined at the Annual General Meeting.

3.1.2 Memberships are awarded free of charge to all coaches and to referees who are registered with the Moose Jaw Soccer Association.

3.2 Each member shall be entitled to one vote at the Annual General Meeting.

3.3 Voting privileges at the Annual General Meeting shall be extended to all members with paid memberships which have been purchased by October 1st of the current year. This includes players who are 18 years of age by October 1st of the current year.

3.4 Membership fees (which are determined at the Annual General Meeting) shall be included in the registration fee for one parent/guardian and for players as described in 3.3.

#### **ARTICLE 4 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

4.1 The directors of the Association shall be:

Past Chair (ex officio)  
Chair  
Vice-Chair  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
And up to six other directors

4.2 The directors shall be elected in accordance with ARTICLE 6.

4.3 Duties of the directors: The directors shall administer the affairs of the Association

#### **ARTICLE 5 - FINANCE**

5.1 An audit of the Association's financial records will be done each year by an individual appointed by the previous Annual General Meeting.

5.2 Signing authority for all financial transactions will be assigned as follows:

- Any two of the 3 designated members of the board of directors or
- Any one of the 3 designated members of the board of directors and the Administrative Assistant or the Executive Director

#### **ARTICLE 6 - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

6.1 All candidates must give permission for their names to stand for election.

6.2 The Chair shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

6.2.1 All directors may serve up to 4 consecutive 2 year terms.

6.3 The Chair, treasurer, and up to three (3) Directors at large shall be elected for a two year term in even numbered years. The secretary, Vice-Chair, and up to three directors at large shall be elected for a two year term in odd-numbered years.

6.4 Vacancies may be filled by a majority vote of the board of directors. The director shall assume duties immediately, and until the next annual general meeting.

6.5 The board may continue to act regardless of vacancies.

#### **ARTICLE 7 - MEETINGS**

7.1 The board shall meet at the call of the Chair or in his/her absence at the call of the Vice-Chair. Either of these officers shall call a meeting at the written request of five members in good standing.

7.2 Five board members shall constitute a quorum for board meetings.

7.3 The Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be held no later than October 31st of each year.

7.4 Notice of the AGM shall be published at least fifteen (15) days prior to the AGM.

7.5 The board will call general meetings annually or when requested to do so in writing by no fewer than 10 members in good standing.

7.6 Ten voting members shall constitute a quorum at a general meeting.

7.7 A board member may be removed by a majority vote of the board of Directors if he/she is absent from three successive meetings without notification of reasonable cause.

7.8 A board member may be removed by a majority vote of the board of directors if it is deemed he/she is acting in contradiction to the objectives of the association or not fulfilling their duties.

#### **ARTICLE 8 - COMMITTEES**

- 8.1 The Board shall determine the number and purpose of all special and standing committees necessary to achieve the objectives of the Association.

#### **ARTICLE 9 - AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS**

- 9.1 The directors may by resolution amend, repeal or make any bylaws that regulate the activities of the Association.
- 9.2 Any bylaws, amendments, or repeal of bylaws must be confirmed by a majority vote at an Annual General Meeting.
- 9.3 Any changes to the bylaws must be made available to the membership prior to the Annual General Meeting at which time they will be voted upon.

#### **ARTICLE 10 - WINDING UP**

- 10.1 Subject to the "Non Profit Corporations Act", in the event of dissolution of the Association, its property and assets shall, after payment of all liabilities, be donated for such charitable, benevolent or educational purposes as may be decided by the Association at a general meeting.

#### **ARTICLE 11 - REGISTRATION**

- 11.1 All players must have paid current fees and be registered on forms provided by the Association.
- 11.2 All members of competitive teams must be registered with the Saskatchewan Soccer Association and must verify age, as required by the Association.
- 11.3 All players must register within their own age division. Any exceptions must be approved by the Executive Director / Technical Director.
- 11.4 Registration fees shall be determined annually at the Annual General Meeting.

Bylaws of the Moose Jaw Soccer Association.  
Amended at the Annual General Meeting October 27, 2009.