

Force Soccer Club

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MINUTES

03/26/2025 Time: 7:30 PM

Location: Ransom District Library

180 S Sherwood Ave, Plainwell, MI 49080

- Call to Order
- 7:41 PM
 - Board members:
 - Present: Mandi Quigley, Amber Green, Rebecca Bilodeau, Kristin Anderson, Joe Gibson, Kate Amaezechi, Andrew Kuipers, Tony McNeel
 - Absent: Travis Timmons, Joe Clemons, Brandon Befus
- Action item: Approval of Minutes/Summary from 02/26/2025 Meeting:

Motion: MandiSecond: TonyIn favor: 7Against: 0

- Agenda Amendments/Additions
 - None
- New Business
 - Coach/Manager Meeting: 4/18/25, 6:30 PM-8:00 PM
 - 422 Commons. Move meeting to May, will still be on a Friday.
 - Topics to cover: TBD
 - Status of checks: Need to ask Brandon who has them, who has not. Tony will do this.
 - Player Addition Proposal
 - Proposed policy re: joining teams mid season. U9-U12: If there is room, take the player. U13 and above: Coaches discretion based on skill. Policy would be in effect June 1st for tryouts/2025-2026 season.
 - Action Item: Motion to approve and adopt player addition policy.

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- Fundraising Opportunities: Loud Cup/Snack Shack
 - Move to April agenda
- Board/Coaches Apparel; Online Fanwear Store
 - Rebecca met with Gazelle, brought back below information:
 - Parka/polo/quarter zip for board members

- Quarter zips for coaches
 - All rostered coaches will get quarter zip. Rebecca will reach out to get sizes.
- Online fanwear store is up with complete outfitters- will ship directly to customers. Will send communication to the club ASAP with the store to close 4/10.
- Using promotional credits for board members/and coach gear.

Field Clean Up and Offloading Concrete

• Competition Fields

- Fully line competition fields (Priority 1)
- Pick up trash
- Field 3 leveling from mole damage with roller (Joe G to bring)
- Replace nets
- Fix Large field net on north side

• Practice Fields

- Brush hog 3 sides of the complex to clean up (Pat Hodapp)
- Pick up trash
- Line practice fields (Priority 2-reference 3h in notes below)
- Replace nets

Purchase Items

- Zip ties for banners and nets
- Garbage bags
- Gloves (Tractor Supply)
- Donuts

Offloading Concrete

- Best offer pick up by April 30 or as agreed upon by the Field Coordinators. Amber will
 post on the Force Facebook page and on Facebook marketplace.
- Disposal procedure: If the Bags Contain Unused (Wet or Dry) Concrete:
 - Do not dump in nature or water sources Concrete is alkaline and can harm ecosystems.
 - Let the concrete fully harden in a container or spread it on a plastic sheet before disposal.
 - Once hardened, dispose of it as construction debris or general waste, depending on volume.

o 2025 Tryouts

• Michigan Tryout Guide Compliance

Tryouts are 6/7/25. Will have to advertise tryouts in the Michigan tryout guide (Amber will
work with Travis/Kristin/Kate to get this completed). This is required for clubs that have
premier teams.

Registar Items

Editable PDF

 Kate needs for reschedule requests, will send to Andrew to edit in the short term. Long term solution is the pending Microsoft suite or buying Adobe license.

Late fees for game reschedule

- Inconsistent honoring of blackout dates by WMYSA. Tony will reach out to the WMYSA president about this issue.
- Paying current fees: Kate will get the number of reschedules for cost, Board will pay.
 Cost is currently \$75 per team.
 - Will create Board policy and review at April meeting to have in time for coaches/managers meeting.

Advertisements

• Kzoo kids website: Force Soccer Club can be part of their soccer guide for free. To have additional posts there is a cost. Will go with the free option to start.

Together Otsego Prospers (TOP) request

• Kristin received a message from a representative of this group, asking if Force would like to set up a table at their event (6/17/25 at 6 PM). We will participate! Kristin will follow up.

Old Business

- Club email addresses Joe
 - *11/26/24 Update: Separate emails will be set up with Google Workspace. Joe will start the process this week.
 - *12/30/24 Update: Google workspace, currently working on non-profit verification process. May need to set-up an email through go-daddy to get started. Will be going with .com.
- 2025 Try Out Information (Updates?)
 - o *3/26/25 Update: See above.

Board Member Reports

- Academy Coordinator, Kristin Anderson
 - U6 academy is full for the spring, U8 academy has openings.
- Coaching Coordinator, Travis Timmons
 - Not present
- Uniform Coordinator, Rebecca Bilodeau
 - Covered above
- Marketing Director, Amber Green
 - Covered above
- Secretary, Mandi Quigley
 - No updates
- o Field and Maintenance Coordinator, Gibson and Andrew
 - Covered above (field cleanup)
- Treasurer, Brandon Befus
 - Not present
- Registrar, Kate Amaezechi
 - Need to continue work on shoring up administrative items (coaches roster, etc; not an issue with Academy).
- o Vice-President, Joe Clemens
 - Not present
- President, Anthony McNeel
 - Working on a final agreement for 8th street. Also trying to find someone to grade the driveway at 8th street, can get the competition field done.
- Committee Reports NA
- Misc:
 - Add Memorial Day parade to next agenda
- Adjournment: 8:55 PM

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