

### **Force Soccer Club**

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# **MINUTES**

10/29/2025 Time: 7:33 PM

Location: Ransom District Library, Plainwell, MI

### Call to Order

Present: Rebecca Bilodeau, Andrew Kuipers, Tony McNeel, Amber Green, Mandi Quigley, Travis
 Timmons, Kristin Anderson, Joe Gibson

o Absent: Kate Amaezechi, Joe Clemons

Action item: Approval of Minutes/Summary from 09/24/2025 Meeting:

Motion: Rebecca
2nd: Mandi
In favor: 5
Against: 0

# Agenda Amendments/Additions

- Treasurer candidate interview: Heidi Falkenstein
  - Heidi has two children playing with the club, has previous history of board service, team coordination, and treasurer type duties.
  - Action item: Motion to appoint Heidi Falkenstein as the Treasurer for the Force Board of Directors.

Motion: Andrew Second: Rebecca

In favor: 5Against: 0

#### New Business

- (From 9/24/25 meeting) Reimbursement for U5/U6 academy coaches: Kristin
  - Move to next agenda
- Academy goal replacement: Kristin
  - Move to next agenda
- Birth year change 26/27 season: Kristin
  - Discussion regarding concerns about how the club will handle this (will current players have to move up due to birth year, etc.).
  - Tony will look at the spreadsheet that has player birth years and chart out potential impact. Will send to the group and decide if a subcommittee is needed to make a recommendation for a final decision.
- Update/request for coach IDPs: Travis
  - Travis reached out to those interested, and got the exact number needed to move forward. Will
    have a meeting with those interested to set what will be looked at. Would like to start doing these

after try outs (next season). The plan is to also let coaches know that they will be evaluated. Travis is proposing making an IDP mandatory for all green teams in an effort to be consistent with what is being taught. Also made mention of IDP's that can be purchased as a club for players, Travis will do more research and bring back.

- Mowing, sprinkler maintenance, fertilizer 2026: Joe G/Andrew
  - Want to open up for a bid for next year. The current service provider is inconsistent and can be
    difficult to work with, communication is a barrier as well. Will allow for the current provider to bid.
    Joe drafted a template bid request as we would prefer that the provider can do mowing, sprinkler,
    etc., would also prefer that they be independently insured. Will put out RFP in December,
    tentatively.
- Remaining Adidas credit spend (6K): Rebecca
  - Will use remaining money to purchase items that can stay with the club (ball bags, pumps, balls) and put together kits for coaches (plan to order at least enough for 24 kits).
- Old Business
  - o None
- Board Member Reports
  - Academy Coordinator, Kristin Anderson
    - We did have a report of a Force player being seriously injured during play. The injury was reported to WMYSA and MSPSP within 7 days. There will be a MSPSP claim.
  - Coaching Coordinator, Travis Timmons
    - None (see above)
  - o Uniform Coordinator, Rebecca Bilodeau
    - Upcoming Spirit Shop; 11/10-11/23.
  - Marketing Director, Amber Green
    - N/A
  - Kate Amaezechi, Registrar
    - N/A
  - Secretary, Mandi Quigley
    - None
  - Field and Maintenance Coordinator, Joe Gibson and Andrew Kuipers
    - None (see above)
  - Treasurer, Open
  - Vice-President, Joe Clemens
    - N/A
  - President, Anthony McNeel
    - Payment went through for insurance, completed the associated survey. Plainwell wants
       Plainwell Schools to be listed on our insurance.
    - Will be requesting an extension on completing taxes.
- Committee Reports
  - N/A
- Adjournment: 8:45 PM

Motion: Mandi2nd: RebeccaIn favor: 5Against: 0