

## **2022 Annual General Meeting for Casper Soccer Club**

### **Election:**

We have a great group of 13 nominees for the CSC board this year. Each brings personal and professional experience and has ties to the club that would be a helpful addition to the board. An email was sent out that includes brief bios and information about all of the candidates. Voting will be open until 8:00 tonight and we have send out email for online voting as well as paper ballots.

### **Highlights of 2021-22 soccer year:**

- A number programs offered with nearly 1,600 participants.
- Hosted the 2021 Casper Fall Classic Tournament in which 143 teams competed. This equates to approximately 1,600 rostered players, in attendance.
- Fall Recreational program had over 400 participants ages 3 ½ - 14
- Blades optional Basket Raffle fundraiser was a big success with 126 participants and over \$105,000 raised.
- Coach education program continues to be successful with all of our Blades head coaches achieving a minimum of grass roots level of training and some have gone beyond to obtain higher level licenses.
- We had another successful Awesome August training which was just completed to kick off the coming year.
- We have begun building our relationship with the Casper College T-Birds to establish a mutually beneficial relationship with that organization.
- We also contributed to other nonprofit organizations in our community– in the last year we gave field space and time from our executive director to facilitate Special Olympics events.
  - Additionally, our DOC gave his time to the Boys & Girls Club to give those kids an opportunity to learn and enjoy the game of soccer.
- TOP soccer program was also a success this past year with 20 kids participating in the program and about 30 volunteers to be buddies.
- Hosted Wyoming State Cup once again and it ran very smoothly and was very successful.
- Hosted Referee Clinics over the past year. The issue of a lack of referees continues to be a problem within youth sports so our promotion and support of referee education and certification helps fill a great need in state.
- Timbers/Thorns – Select Blades players attended camp in Idaho. It was not what we had hoped it would be but we are working on improving this relationship to provide better pathway for our players to make it to the next level.

**Board accomplishment:** BoD, ED and DoC developed and implemented new CSC policy to improve the product and service the Casper Soccer Club provides. The board feels the new policy will improve overall consistency and transparency of expectations CSC has of its members, volunteers, players, employees and leadership.

### **Looking forward to the upcoming season:**

**This year marks the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Casper Soccer Club and we want to celebrate this throughout the year. Ideas for celebration include a possible Alumni game for previous players/now parents of players, BBQ's and news letters that will include some history about the club.**

Another great accomplishment for the coming year - We were successful in our bid to host Wyoming State Cup for another 2 years. Our great facilities, staff, and volunteers help our case when applying to take this on and those factors will not doubt result in successful events for the next two years.

The Casper Soccer Club has always prided itself on being an affordable, well-run program for our youth and adults. **We couldn't do it without our fabulous volunteers.** Our hats go off to all our dedicated volunteer coaches, parents, board members and financial sponsors. You help us move forward with our club mission: *The Casper Soccer Club provides soccer programming and opportunities for youth through adult players of all abilities to enhance soccer skills, promote a healthy lifestyle and help teach valuable life lessons.*