

1. Lake Side Buoys Board March Meeting Minutes: July 19, 2022

In attendance: Greg Henkelman, Mike Geldreich, Phil Hoover, Andrew Fitzsimmons, John Cameron, Kevin Close, Dallas Killian Arrowood, Ryan Arrowood (**Absent:** Blake McStravick)

Members had a friendly chat prior to 8:02 pm.

Meeting came to order: 8:02 pm via Discord.

Notes by: Greg

Last Meeting's Minutes: Posted in Google Folder and posted on the web page for approval.

Motion to approve: John. Seconded: Kevin. All in favour. Approved.

2. Reports from Committee Chairs

i. **Finance:** Greg reported that we currently have \$969.60 in Van City account; \$123.09 in PayPal for a total of \$1092.69.

ii. **Merch:** Mike speaking as Blake is not present: down to 5 of this year's scarves and final few of older ones.

iii. **Sonics:** Andrew: many compliments from Edmonton away day efforts; some social media posts on drumming at home games may require some further discussion in the future.

iv. **Tailgate:** Ryan: nothing to report at the moment.

v. **Visuals:** Mike: four new flags; new Tifo for CONCACAF flag for netting (60feet x 60feet); but will take some coordination to pull this off in time.

vi. **Highlanders:** Dallas: great game last Sunday. New drum heads now; very much fun! Sunday will be the last game of the season for Women's and Men's games (pm and pm), so should be presenting player of the year awards. Juan de Fuca Plate has been awarded to Varsity.

3. Ongoing Business

i. **Away Day:** July 9 in Edmonton was an awesome game; we represented well and sounded great. We brought the energy. It was a very good demonstration about how supporters can increase the atmosphere. It also brought comments from the Edmonton crowd that it made the game more fun for them as well.

ii. **Prideraiser Totals:** Mike: \$2604 registered dollars for the Pride Society, despite only 4 goals by PFC in June.

iii. **Game Day Assignments:** Mike: please let people know that if you are NOT going to make a game, use Discord so that we can organize

iv. **Pride Game July 22:** multiple links for ticket sales; Mike shared an image and QR codes for the image that was developed by the organization from California; rainbow smoke show

Minutes by: GLH

planned: it will be in our end in front of us, or behind the net or the other side of the Beer Garden.

vi. **CONCACAF League August 2: Home:** Mike: should hopefully be a packed house of ticket sales; will be interesting to see if results of Leg 1 will dictate sales/promotion of the weeknight game. Also, it will be great to see ticket sales = butts in seats! Also would be cool to see if we could use “smoke” as “ink” with the Octopus Tifo.

5. New Business

i. **CONCACAF League – Airport Sendoff 9:30 pm Saturday July 23:** flight to Jamaica; showing up early for a later flight; will be put up into general chat/socials to see if we can get some support for them; Tridents on Tour flag might be a good one to give to them to share in the communal space. Greg will bring it (was delayed until the next morning at 4:30am, but we got it to them just the same).

ii. **Tailgate: Sept 11:** Ryan: reality on how things are going: LSB membership at games seems lower/active support seems to be dropping; T.O.P. has a large public face; how can we prove this right/wrong? In stadium: the Western grandstand are the same price for free; we could get Western bleachers and have success, like we did in Edmonton; plan for Sept. 11 game - no flags, no drums, just sing as LSB. Opened for discussion. Mike, Kevin, and Andrew are hesitant due to caving to some complaints and affecting goodwill with T.O.P.. Kevin suggested we are very visual in our support as well. Ryan is worried that LSB will continue to be absorbed into T.O.P., like our tailgating. Mike: not opposed to organizing something like that and perhaps be on the LAKESIDE of the stadium, but our numbers are very small right now; Mike has also suggested to others that they could go to other sections, although there some people are there to be away from the noise; but no visual elements would be allowed. Ryan: would just be beer and singing (Mike may be a non-alcohol section); Mike encouraged everyone to feel free to spread noise around, but feels that we must understand that T.O.P. and the LSB have been at every game since day 1. T.O.P. brings a multicultural angle as well. Greg: until we can make a decision to movement, perhaps we can get back to responding with specific chants to specific moments of the game: we should be mindful to include the Capo (Andrew) when he can not see the game. Our main Constitutional Tenets: Enhance game day atmosphere, support our teams, do charitable work and to promote activities within the group. Standing room only nonsense.

iii. **Membership, Website & Socials:** Mike: getting admin privileges from Jason; website updates are needed still, so we should now be able to deal with this. Socials: do we want to moderate more? Kevin will look at moderating Facebook with Dallas’ assistance; please continue to use Discord to bring anything to the Board’s attention. Mike will have a private conversation with those who have had some conflicts on Social media in the recent past.

iv. **Anything else?**

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 16, 8:00 PM

Motion to adjourn by Mike, seconded by Dallas. All in favour. Meeting ended at 9:12 PM.