



# THE BURLINGTON OLD TIMERS SOCCER CLUB

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## BOTSC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024

Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – 12:00pm - Burlington Seniors Centre. (40+ attendees)

Meeting called to order at 12:01pm by Michael Moore

### Previous Minutes

No comments or questions from the floor.

Motion: Accept minutes of 2023 AGM as posted.

Proposed by Bill Reiach    Seconded by Janet Barrett

Carried

### President's Report – Presented by Michael Moore

Thanks to all the Executive this year – New and returning.

Motion to accept the Presidents report:

Proposed: Marino Casciani    Seconded: Mike Figliola

Carried

### Treasurer's Report – Presented by Janet Barrett

Final Financial Documents attached.

Motion to accept Treasurer's report:

Proposed: James McGrath    Seconded: Reza Soufian

Carried

### Changes to Constitution and Bylaws

- **MOTION: Revise Article #4: Club Membership to Add:**

f) A member is considered in good standing if all eligibility criteria described in the articles and by laws have been met and membership has not been revoked or denied, in the current and previous season

Proposed: Phil Prata    Seconded: Bill Reiach

Carried

- **MOTION: Revise Article 7 Eliminate the Match Secretary as an Executive Position.**

Proposed: Phil Prata    Seconded: Mike Figliola

Not Carried

- **MOTION: Revise Article 7 Eliminate the Equipment Manager as an Executive Position.**

Proposed: Phil Prata    Seconded: Mike Figliola

Not Carried

- **MOTION: Revise Article 9: Add the Duties of the Past President:**

“The Past President is an important resource for the current President to ensure continuity and to leverage a wealth of knowledge.”

Proposed: Marino Casciani    Seconded: Brian McLaughlin

Carried

- **MOTION: Convenor Representatives presence at Executive Meetings. Add:**

e) Each division may appoint a convenor representative to attend ECMs

f) The representative will cast a vote for each convenor represented and all convenors so represented will be marked as present and included in the calculation of quorum

g) Notwithstanding the above, a convenor may attend the ECM, in addition to the division representative, and in doing so the representative will not represent that convenor for that meeting.

Proposed: Chris Waldock    Seconded: Phil Prata

Not Carried



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- **MOTION: Revise Article 14 – Annual General Meeting (AGM) – Member Proxies at AGM Add:**

c) Proxy Voting

1. A member in good standing may appoint a proxy to vote or otherwise act for the member through use of an appointment form (as provided by the secretary).
2. An appointment of a proxy is effective when received by the secretary prior to the start of the meeting. An appointment is valid only for the period expressly provided on the form.
3. An appointment of a proxy is revocable by the member any time prior to the start of the meeting by notifying the secretary.

Proposed: Phil Prata

Seconded: Wally Rozenberg

**Withdrawn**

- **MOTION: Revise By-Law 3. Replacement Players (FOR B DIVISION ONLY).**

Add to Section D:

- b) During the regular (non-playoff) season, any player who meets the age eligibility criteria for the B Division may be used as a substitute player. The maximum number of substitute players per team is 2 and substitutes may only be used if a team has 12 or fewer drafted players available unless agreed otherwise by the convenors for that game.
- c) The use of 1 or more substitutes should not result in an imbalance between the teams and if it does then the substitute(s) should play one half for each team.

Proposed: Phil Prata

Seconded: Mike Figliola

**Not Carried**

- **MOTION: Revise By-Law 6 – Team Selection and Player Draft (FOR B DIVISION ONLY)**

1. Amend by-law 6b to remove “by the Team Convenors”
2. Insert new by-law 6c: The B division draft is to be conducted by a minimum of 3 equally ranked players (**the Draft Committee**) selected by the Registrar and subject to approval by the Executive. Assuming there are 6 teams in **B division**, the first task will be to remove 3 other equally ranked players from the draft. The **Draft Committee** will conduct the draft, not knowing which team they will play for. The last round of the draft will be to assign the 3 Draft Committee members plus the 3 other players by random draw to the 6 teams. In the event there are more or less than 6 teams, the number of other players withdrawn from the draft at the start will be adjusted accordingly. The Registrar will solicit a Team Convenor from each of the teams, such appointment to be approved by the Executive.
3. Remaining clauses in by-law 6 to be renumbered and amendments to other articles and by-laws that mention Team Convenors to be consistent with this amendment

Proposed: Wally Rozenberg

Seconded: Phil Prata

**Not Carried**

- **MOTION: Revise By Law 7 – Transfer of Players**

Add: c) Rebalance teams following 3-4 games to make sure all teams & players have a realistic chance to enjoy healthy competition for the remainder of the season(s).

Proposed: Reza Soufian    Seconded:

**Withdrawn**

- **MOTION: By Law 8 – FIFA Laws of the Game – SIN BINS**

Add: d)

- i) Any player receiving a yellow card will be required to leave the field of play for a minimum of 10 minutes AND may be replaced during this period i.e. a forced substitution.



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ii) The referee will advise when the player may return.

iii) A second yellow card or red card will be handled as per normal FIFA laws.

Proposed: Phil Prata Seconded: Mike Figliola

**Not Carried**

- **MOTION: Revise By Law 9 – Conduct and Discipline Process – Membership Reinstatement**

Add: e)

iv. Any person whose membership has been revoked must submit a letter in writing to the executive through the Registrar, Secretary or President requesting consideration for membership reinstatement. The request will be reviewed at the next executive meeting.

v. Any person requesting membership reinstatement may also request a presentation to the executive, at the discretion of the club president.

vi. Reinstatement, returned to good standing, requires agreement by a minimum of 2/3 votes of the full executive

vii. The executive's decision is final and cannot be appealed.

Proposed: Phil Prata Seconded:

**Withdrawn**

- **MOTION: By Law 12 – Non-Club Tournaments**

Remove By-Law 12 b. b). Players shall not let other soccer games conflict with the Club's scheduled games.

Proposed: Phil Prata Seconded:

**Withdrawn**

- **MOTION from the Floor: By Law 14**

To remove keeping points during the regular season and reinstate play-off tournament.

Proposed: Peter Barrett Seconded: Marino Casciani.

**Carried**

- **MOTION: By Law 14 – Cup Tournament – Playoff Formats**

Remove this whole clause and replace with: a) Convenors for each division will decide on the playoff format for their division, prior to the schedule being set for the season. In the event of a tied vote, the Registrar may cast a deciding vote. In the event no decision is reached, the executive will decide on the playoff format.

Proposed: Phil Prata Seconded: Rob Dean

**Carried**

- **MOTION: By Law 14 – Cup Tournament – Playoff Formats**

Remove Section B and add:

a) Play all games in the regular season and do not keep standings. Subsequent to the regular season have a play-off format where the club will keep standings, play approx. 5 games each. The top Four teams play in a semi-final, final and consolidation final (losing teams from semi-finals play for third and fourth place). The bottom two teams play in the wooden spoon.

Proposed: Frank Rosati Seconded:

**Withdrawn**

- **MOTION: By-Law 14 – Cup Tournament – Playoff Formats**

Section B. B Division Only - Delete Section

Section A. A Division Only - Amend to Read Section A. A and B Divisions

Add to Section A. a. 2. ii.

The Wooden Spoon Final will be played over 2 legs. The first leg on semi-final day and the second leg on cup final day. In the event of a tie after the second game this will be resolved as outlined in section f. and g. below.

Proposed: Peter Barrett

Seconded:

**Withdrawn**



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## Election of Officers: - Executive Nominations 2025

**2 Year Positions Not Open for Election in 2025** (But will be serving their second year in 2025)

- President - Michael Moore
- VP / Registrar - Phil Prata
- Past President - Brian McLaughlin

**2 Year Positions Open for Election in 2025**

- Treasurer - Judy Woehl
- Secretary – Darren Chadwick
- Match Secretary - Amanda Cudmore

### **Annual Positions**

- Social Convenor - Reza Soufian
- Discipline Chair - Rob Lloyd
- Equipment Manager - Uwe Samstag-Schnock
- Referee Coordinator - Duncan Taylor
- Spare List Coordinator - James Smith
- Communications - Marino Casciani
- A Division Convenors  
*Neri Ciraku, Rick Moretuzzo / James Smith, Chris Waldock / Michael Ogilvie, Frank Mills / Frank Casale, Gerard Kelly / Robert Todd, Richard Sumner/Richard Deleon*
- A Division Convenors  
*Phil Prata / Peter Bekker, Frank Rosati, Robert Dean, Rick Mignano / Martin Wilson, Alex Boyd/Ian McRorie*
- New B Division Convenor Nominees – *Marino Casciani/James McGrath, Brian McLaughlin,*

The above duly noted and appointed.

## New Business

- **MOTION from the Floor: Revise Discipline Guidelines re: Yellow Cards**

Amend the punishments for yellow cards received by a player during the season as follows.

- 3 Yellow Cards = 1 Game Suspension
- 5 Yellow Cards = 2 Game Suspension
- 7 Yellow Cards = 3 Game Suspension
- 9 Yellow Cards = 4 Game Suspension

Proposed: Peter Bekker

Seconded: Darren Chadwick

**Carried**

- **MOTION from the Floor : Proposal on Discipline Committee re : Red Cards**

Article 10 section b add:

“and always when dealing with matters relating to the issuance of a Red card.”

Proposed: Brian McLaughlin

Seconded: Darren Chadwick

**Carried**

- **Motion to adjourn:**

Proposed by Martin Wilson

Seconded by ALL

**Carried**

- **Meeting closed at 14:40**