

AGM Speech – January 2009

At my first Treasurer's Speech for the fiscal year 2006, I was happy to announce that Twin Cities Football reached a financial first – the first time the league surpassed \$200K in revenues. At my second speech for the fiscal 2007, I was happy to report we broke that record and had revenues of \$213K. And now, for 2008, we completely blew that record away with revenues topping over \$265K.

Yes, 2008 was an explosive year!!

- We expanded our Predators program with a Varsity Team
- We expanded our Houseleague program to 12 teams – 4 each in Atom and Peewee, and 2 each in Myte and Tyke.
- It marked the first Red and White divisions in Houseleague.
- We no longer ran our own full-service canteen.
- We expanded our grass roots fundraising and partnered with Rogers TV to provide television coverage.
- We expanded our storage room by moving units inside the same building.
- We developed a new website.
- We communicated with the membership via email.
- We solicited feedback using an online survey.
- For the 1st time in recent history, we had everyone at the Houseleague Division pay their registration fees before the season began.
- We branded and held Extravaganza!
- We had a Halloween party.
- It was the first time, Predator teams expensed more than what they brought in.
- On a sadder note, with the passing of Beth Hughes, a woman who profoundly shaped this league, we established the Beth Hughes Memorial Fund, to help those in need play the game of football.
- We collaborated as a team, watched our bottom line and expenditures, and never once touched the reserve funds.

The 2009 season is already promising to be explosive.

- We've partnered with the Ontario Football Alliance to offer online registrations.
- We now accept credit cards as an acceptable form of payment.
- Our Predators program has moved from the OVFL to the OFC.
- We're now offering an additional team at the Junior Varsity level in SCOF, and are also offering practice squads in Peewee and Varsity.

The league could not have made such major milestones without the commitment, dedication, vision, and leadership of everyone involved within Twin Cities Football. I would like to thank the Board, the coaching staffs, the numerous volunteers, and the membership, for your valuable time and effort put into this league. Kids today wouldn't have the variety of opportunities to play football, without your effort.