

BV United Soccer Club Families,

Happy 2018 to Everyone! New Year, New Opportunities, and New Challenges. I am excited to be the new President of BVU and to continue the great work that is already being done!

Each year brings new energy and unrealized promise. The new year is also a good time to reflect a bit on what we did and did not do in the past year. One of the things I try to do is clean up the piles of paper in my office before the end of the year. It's nice to feel organized for a couple weeks and is interesting to see where time was spent and what is still pending. Looking back, we achieved many excellent things in the past year in terms of soccer and club development.

Obviously, our biggest achievement was completing a very complex merger of two clubs into one. This was accomplished by many exceptional people getting together from both clubs and seeing a common vision. Another accomplishment I am particularly proud of is we are the only Minnesota club with an all-female coaching staff for our girls' teams! It's exciting for our girls (including my own daughter) to have strong female role models as coaches.

The merger allowed us to combine the strong resources of two clubs and continue our common missions. We certainly learned some things in the process. However, overall, I believe it was a success and we will only continue to grow and improve. It is exciting to see the bright neon of the BVU teams out on the field and how the kids, parents, and coaches are working together. I am excited to continue this great work from the Board so that BVU is a club that we are all proud to be a part of.

On the website, you will find BV United's mission: To provide all players in Apple Valley, Burnsville, and the surrounding communities the opportunity to reach their full potential as people and soccer players through a positive soccer experience.

Our vision is to accomplish this through the teaching of teamwork, sportsmanship, and technical, tactical, physical and psychosocial skills in a way that is specific to each player's developmental needs.

In summary: Be kind. Have Fun. Work Hard.

We have an outstanding Club because of our talented and committed families, coaches, and staff, and we have much to do in 2018. We will be successful if we work together, value the contributions of our members, and stay engaged. I look forward to what we will accomplish this year.

Sincerely,

Chris Boys
President, BV United Soccer Club