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***Kellington Boddie named Director of Coaching***

Eau Claire, WI – April 28, 2023 – Eau Claire United Soccer Club names Kellington Boddie as Director of Coaching (DOC)

Kellington (Kell) brings with him over ten years of experience in coaching and administration. Most recently, Kell was a Regional Lead Trainer for TOCA Football, an official training partner of the MLS, whose one-of-a kind, tech-enhanced soccer training develops players at all ages and skill levels. Additionally, he is the Technical Director of 303Futsal in Denver, CO. Prior, he spent time at several MLS clubs including Atlanta United, NY Red Bulls, and Colorado Rapids in various youth and academy level positions. Kell got his coaching career started in Colorado where he worked with low-income youth to help implement affordable training and development curriculums. He holds a B.S. from Missouri State University in Springfield, MO, where he played Varsity Soccer.

Kell on the position “This is a galvanizing moment for me. I am honored to be the next Director of Coaching here at Eau Claire United. I’m excited to have the opportunity to work with the club, as well as the community. It means a great deal to me.”

In his previous roles, Kell developed curriculums, implemented, and executed programs, and established guidelines to help manage and educate coaches/staff. Additionally, he trained various professional soccer players. The club began the search for a new DOC when incumbent JD Jones informed the club that he would not renew his contract after it expired in December (2022). JD has continued to fulfill the DOC duties during the search. On Kell, JD said “He (Kell) is a great guy who brings a wealth of knowledge to the DOC position. He has worked with and developed high level players across the country and has consistently created fun and healthy environments to nurture the talents of youth soccer players.”

Board President Heidi McKone, on the hire “We (as a Board) are very excited for Kell to join the club. His leadership, communication, and strategic thinking are all an excellent fit. Whenever you can add a person with his character and accomplishments to a community like ours; it’s definitely a great addition.”

Most recently living in Georgia, this opportunity brings Kell back to the Midwest where he grew up. He will officially begin his three-year contract on May 1, 2023.

If you would like more information about this topic, please email Heidi McKone at [president@unitedsoccer.org](mailto:president@unitedsoccer.org).

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