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Blackhawks name general manager

The Iowa Blackhawks, Council Bluffs' indoor professional football team, have announced today that Jeremy Poore has been named their new general manager for the upcoming 2009 season.

Poore takes over the position from Jake Hiffernan, who will remain the as the club's president, but decided to no longer wear both hats.

"I've decided to reduce my role in the day-to-day operations to free up more time for my family," said Hiffernan, "my wife (Shayla) is due to give birth to our first child next month and its important to me to spend as much time with them as possible."

Poore doesn't come into the position blind; he has been around the indoor football game for several years, and founded www.indoorfootballfan.com five years ago. He has worked closely in many different capacities with the Blackhawks, and has learned the business from both the fan, and the inside business perspective.

"I'm excited to be on board with the Blackhawks," said Poore, "and I'm looking forward to helping the Iowa Blackhawks grow in Council Bluffs and in southwest Iowa as a whole."

Poore resides in Avoca with his wife Angel, and has been praised by Hiffernan as someone who can bring a fresh approach to the Blackhawks and indoor football.

"I'm very comfortable handing my responsibilities as general manager over to Jeremy," said Hiffernan, "his sales experience and overall understanding of the product of indoor football makes him a top candidate to build on our successes."

The new general manager thanked Hiffernan for the opportunity, and explained that the Blackhawks owner has helped him along the way in gaining knowledge for the position.'

"Jake (Hiffernan), and so many others in this sport have taught me so much about the business end over the past five years," said Poore. "I'm looking forward to taking that knowledge and mix in some new ideas to really help build something special."

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