

MINUTES OF THE NTSSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

March 5, 2024

Janet Campbell, President, called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

Janet Campbell, Elena Williams, Erin Pfarner, Dick Metivier, Jim Wagner, David Osborne, Jim Mills, Rach Badii, Jerry Deaton, Trent McColly, David Tucker, and David Messersmith

NOT IN ATTENDANCE

None

STAFF PRESENT

Rob Martella, Lisa Skiles, and Warren Cottle

GUESTS PRESENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following minutes of the NTSSA Board of Directors Meeting were approved as amended:

- February 6, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

Janet Campbell reviewed the following with the Board:

- Board and Budget meeting scheduled for April 27, 2024. The board meeting will start at 8:00 AM with the Budget meeting to follow.
- USSF AGM – Nathan Goldberg Crenier was elected Vice President and Janet Campbell was elected to the Adult National Council. The bylaw proposal to pay the USSF President a stipend was approved.
- Janet stated Tina Rincon is running for President of USYS and would like to attend our next board meeting and speak to the board.
- USYS has placed Tom Condone over all competitions.

STAFF DISCUSSION

Rob Martella noted President Cup starts this weekend at UTD starting on Thursday night. Thirty-eight (38) teams are eligible to participate. We are currently at twenty-five (25) teams that have registered to date.

Lisa Skiles stated we have received many requests for college soccer camp mailings this season. Have finally picked back up since COVID. Still working on AGM sites for '25, '26, and '27. The hotels that have the space we need, either want us to up our room count by more than double, want too much for the room night cost, and/or have a parking charge. Lisa also noted she had sent out the workshop request form for the AGM and needs them ASAP.

Warren Cottle noted they have been busy with coaching clinics finishing up with 36 Grassroot clinics. Lake Highlands and Odessa hosting several 4v4 and 7v7 on February 24, getting many coaches licensed at the last minute. ODP is getting ready to kick off for the Spring session.

David Messersmith submitted a written report and noted he and Heather have been meeting companies regarding processing online (electronic) payments since we have had such an issue with USPS losing our payments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Appeals and Disciplinary Committee**
- **Audit Committee**
- **Bylaws, Rules, and Regulations Committee**
- **Coaches Training and State Select Team Committee**
- **Competitive Soccer Committee.**
- **Cup & Games**
- **Finance Committee**
- **ODP Committee**
- **Recreational Soccer Committee**
- **Referee Committee**
- **Risk Management Committee**
- **Risk Management Policy Committee**
- ***The Pitch*[™] / Committee**

OFFICER REPORTS

Elena Williams – Nothing to add to the written report

Dick Metivier – Nothing to report

Erin Pfarner – Nothing to add to the written report

Jim Mills – Jim noted President Cup starts this weekend. They are working on the new Recreational League and have another call this week and plan to run a pilot league at the end of this spring. They hope to have a workshop at the AGM to inform all youth associations about the program.

David Tucker – Nothing to report

Jerry Deaton – Nothing to report

David Osborne – Nothing to add to the written report

Rach Badii – Nothing to add to the written report

Trent McColly – Trent stated they have not reached their goal yet of registered referees. Before the pandemic, we had 5600 and are hoping to reach 5200 or more this year.

Jim Wagner – Nothing to report

CONSENT AGENDA

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

David Messersmith discussed his discussion with John Sutter with Dallas Cup. They would like us to increase our sponsorship. David noted we have been paying the same amount since 2011 when he became Executive Director. After much discussion, a motion was made and seconded to increase our sponsorship for the Dallas Cup FIFA Receptions from \$10,000 to \$15,000 for the 2024 Dallas Cup. The motion was approved.

Elena Williams reported she will be hosting an A&D webinar in April and plans to have these quarterly for the member association A&D members.

Janet noted she and Rob Martella were on the phone with the City of Ft. Worth. They are submitting a bond proposal to build a new soccer facility and update many current facilities.

Janet Campbell asked the board members up for reelection at the AGM let her know if they plan to seek re-election.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM

**David Messersmith
Executive Director
March 5, 2024**

Meetings held/attended since the last board report

- 1. USSF AGM**
- 2. Paper Save payment processing meeting**
- 3. Finalize collection of all current insurance policies**
- 4. Dallas Cup agreement**
- 5. Review Cups honors policy proposal**
- 6. USYSA Region Call**
- 7. Board members on various issues**

**David M Osborne
Chairman, ODP
March 5, 2024**

Attended the Executive Board Meeting via Zoom on Tuesday 6th Feb 2024.

Attended the USSF AGM at the Hilton Anatole in Dallas on Thursday 8th & Saturday 10th Feb 2024. During the meeting, Nathan Goldberg Crenier was voted in as the USSF VP.

13 NTX ODP players represented the South ODP Team in the National Interregional ODP selection process in Orlando, Florida. The thirteen players were ---

Kaleb Arredondo & Dylan Cabrera – 06
Israel Garcia & Cort Laurence – 07
Santiago Castillo & Hyoungju Kim – 09
Aaron Johnson & Dylan Moore - 11

Amanda Adams & Kaiser Kennedy – 06
Cason Presley – 09
Aubree Apodaca – 10
Sarah Webb – 11

On the 2nd of Feb 2024, US Youth Soccer announced their national sides. Amanda Adams 06 became the only NTX player to be selected for a National ODP team and will play in a tournament in Costa Rica.

Attended the Scott Dymond College Showcase on Sunday 3rd March 2024. Our 07 & 08 Girls played at Money Gram and the 07 & 08 Boys played at Toyota Park on both Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd.

Results for the weekend were as follows ----

07 Girls
P 3 W 0 D 1 L 2 GF 2 GA 11

08 Girls
P3 W 0 D 0 L 3 GF 4 GA 11

07 Boys
P 3 W 0 D 1 L 2 GF 2 GA 4

08 Boys
P 3 W 2 D 0 L 1 GF 8 GA 4

Overall – P 12 W 2 D 2 L 8 GF 16 GA 30

The highlight was seeing the shorthanded 07 Girls under Paul Gallagher come back from one nil down and forcing a draw with Sting ECLC and the 08 Boys under Ian Keeble running riot over a team from Centennial, Colorado by five goals to nil.

Will hold an ODP Committee Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday 6th Mar 2024. The focus will be looking at the ODP budget for 2024/2025.

FIELD ODP PRACTICE ADDRESSES:

Boswell High School: 5805 W Bailey Boswell Rd, Fort Worth, TX 76179

ODP Practice Schedules for Mar 2024 ---

BOYS:

2007/2008/2009/2010/2011/2012 & 2013

All scheduled for 3/24/24 at Boswell High School

GIRLS:

2007/2008/2009/2010/2011/2012 & 2013:

All scheduled for 3/24/24 at Boswell High School

Upcoming ODP Events for the remainder of the 2023/2024 Season

South Region Sub-Regional: June 7th - 9th, 2024 - Location: Cumming, GA - Fowler Park

Boys: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, & 2013

Girls: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, & 2013

Region III I.D. Camp – July 2024 – Dates TBD

Boys: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012

Girls: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012

**Elena Williams
Vice President
March 5, 2024**

During the month of February the following hearings were conducted:

	<u>February</u>	<u>2023/2024</u> <u>YTD</u>
Appeals - A&D Committee Chairman - Vice President	0	0
Appeals - Executive Committee Chairman, President	0	0
Appeals - Risk Management Chairman, President	1	4
Competitive Committee Hearings Chairman, Youth Commissioner	0	4
Cup & Games Committee Hearings Chairman, Cup and Games Chairman	0	0
Indoor Chairman - Vice President	0	0
Outdoor Chairman - Vice President	0	3
Referee Assault / Abuse Chairman, President	0	11
Referee Misconduct Chairman, Vice President	0	2
Youth Commissioner Hearings Chairman, Youth Commissioner	0	1
Total Hearings:	1	25

Activities:

We are working towards getting our Online Webinars up and running. Hoping to have the first one the 3rd week of March. Lisa and I are working on obtaining information via a survey to see what days and times work best for our membership. Right now , we will be having these every other month, depending on how the first several go we may change it up a bit.

Erin Pfarner
Vice President Development
March 5, 2024

Since our Feb. meeting I have participated in the following activities:

- Attended the US Soccer AGM in Dallas
- Supported several A&D hearings as a panel member

Lisa Skiles
Director of Member Services
March 5, 2024

Activities since the last board meeting:

1. Continue working on locations for the 2025 and 2026 AGM to include International Coaching Symposium. Several responses I have received require higher per-night room blocks which put them out of contention. We usually book 150 room nights for each night and they are requiring 300-500 room nights. Several I have not been able to get them to respond to my emails.
2. Worked on A&D Webinar questionnaire to sent it out to members.
3. Worked on several mailing list requests from colleges for camps.
4. Working on website page & logo for the Champions League.
5. Working on an ad for the USASA Hall of Fame publication.
6. Worked Youth Transfers and Releases while Brittany was on vacation.

**Rachene' Badii
Women's Commissioner
March 6, 2024**

February 6 – NTSSA Board Meeting

February 8-11 – 2024 U.S. Soccer Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Dallas

February 17 – NTWSA Captains Meeting and Referee Meet & Greet Event



Trent McColly
State Referee Chairman
North Texas Soccer
March 5, 2024

The North Texas Soccer Referee Program continues its mission of recruiting, training, developing, supporting, and retaining referees. 2024 registration continues. Since the last report, almost 1,160 referees have registered or recertified. We have not reached our goal yet with 4,260 referees licensed for 2024 currently.

The North Texas Soccer Referee Committee congratulates six referees from North Texas for being assigned to matches during the first few of MLS. While the North Texas Soccer Referee Program supports ALL referees, the State Referee Committee congratulates several of our officials for being assigned to their first MLS games. Lorenzo Hernandez has worked as referee. Fevzi Demirhan, Chana Forstall, and Seun Yinka-Kehinde have been assistant referees. Emmy Nonso-Anyakwo and Jorge Luna Hernandez have served as fourth officials.

Three members of the State Referee Committee attended the US Soccer SRC Workshop in Chicago the last weekend in February. US Soccer introduced new evaluation standards for Regional Referees—the second version in two years. There was great discussion around referee abuse with breakout sessions to share ideas about curbing misconduct towards officials.

The Referee Committee continues to prepare for upcoming events: State Presidents Cup March 8-10, State Cup May 1-12, USASA Regionals in South Carolina June 7-9, Regional Presidents Cup in Plano June 14-18, and Southern Regionals in Tampa and Auburndale June 21-27. We have been asked to send 12 referees and three coaches to Regional Presidents Cup and 19 referees, 5 referee coaches, and a HOD to Southern Regionals.

WhistleMania™ 2

With assistance from the US Soccer Innovate to Grow grant, the North Texas Soccer Referee Program will be hosting WhistleMania™ 2 Saturday, July 20, 2024, at Warre Park in Frisco. The goal is to have over 600 referees and 30 assignors attend this year's event.