

MINUTES OF THE NTSSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 3, 2021

Janet Campbell, President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

Via Zoom - Janet Campbell, Carlos Quinones, David Osborne, Dick Metivier, Erin Pfarner, Jim Mills, Jim Wagner, Larry Hall, Rach Badii, Trent McColly, Tony DeBruno, and David Messersmith

NOT IN ATTENDANCE

STAFF PRESENT

Lisa Skiles and Gary Williamson

GUESTS PRESENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The following minutes of the NTSSA Board of Directors Meeting were approved as submitted: June 1, 2021 and July 20, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Janet Campbell discussed North Texas Soccer hosting Regional Presidents Cup.

Janet Campbell reviewed highlights from the US Soccer Federation meeting.

Janet Campbell introduced Rachel Shultz with 31,000ft which is handling our website and Social Media accounts. Rachel reviewed with the board all of our social media accounts and the number of hits they are receiving by age ranges, genders, and locations. She also covered the rise in engagements on all platforms.

Janet Campbell discussed possible dates for the Board and Staff Christmas dinner if we are able to have it this year. David Messersmith will look into potential locations for the weekend of December 17-19, 2021.

STAFF DISCUSSION

Gary Williamson noted ODP tryouts will be held again on Sunday from 7:00 AM – 2:00 PM for boys and girls '07, '08', and '09. Gary stated they have 320 players in the tryout pools, 170 boys and 150 girls.

Gary stated they are currently in the middle of the "C" License coaching course and have a Grassroots course scheduled in Oakcliff. Gary noted they have a "D" course starting later this month.

Lisa Skiles stated she has received great responses on the AGM and is currently working through issues with the new GotSport program.

David Messersmith had nothing to add to his written report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Appeals and Disciplinary Committee** - Carlos Quinones noted the upcoming hearings.
- **Audit Committee**
- **Bylaws, Rules, and Regulations Committee**
- **Coaches Training and State Select Team Committee** – Jim Wagner stated he is looking into starting a “1st year Coaching” training program for all new coaches.
- **Competitive Soccer Committee**
- **Cup & Games Committee**
- **Finance Committee**
- **ODP Committee**
- **Recreational Soccer Committee**
- **Referee Committee**
- **Risk Management Committee**
- **Risk Management Policy Committee**
- ***The Pitch*TM / Committee**

OFFICER REPORTS

Carlos Quinones – Nothing to add to written report

Dick Metivier – Nothing to report

Erin Pfarnert - Nothing to report

Jim Mills – Jim discussed new issues with the International Clearance program and forms that U.S. Soccer changed as of June 1 but did not tell anyone. Jim also noted six (6) teams represented North Texas Soccer at the USYSA National Championship and the Solar South 06G FDL S. Adames won a National Championship.

Tony DeBruno – Nothing to report

Larry Hall – Nothing to add to written report

David Osborne - Nothing to add to written report

Rach Badii – Nothing to add to written report

Trent McColly – Trent noted in his report he mentioned they are beginning in September, monthly “Jam Session” only for first year referees via Zoom to allow the referees to ask questions and receive extra support and guidance.

Jim Wagner –Jim stated after hearing about Trent’s program for new referees he would like to look into a program like this for coaches, maybe a “1st year Coaching” training program for all new coaches.

CONSENT AGENDA

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

David Messersmith presented a sponsorship agreement from FLIPGIVE. A motion was made and seconded to have David Messersmith move forward with the FLIPGIVE sponsorship agreement. The motion was approved.

The following 2021/2022 committees were submitted and approved by the Board of Directors:

- Bylaws, Rules, & Regulations Committee
- State Executive Committee Hearings for Referee Abuse/Assault and Appeals to Board of Directors
- State Executive Sub-Committee Review for possible hearings
- Risk Management Policy Committee
- Pitch/Database and Website Committee
- Appeals & Disciplinary Committee
- ODP Committee
- State Referee Committee
- Competitive Committee
- Recreation Committee
- TOPSoccer Committee

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 PM

MINUTES OF THE NTSSA ADHOCK BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

July 20, 2021

Janet Campbell, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

Via Zoom - Janet Campbell, Carlos Quinones, David Osborne, Dick Metivier, Jim Wagner Larry Hall, Rach Badii, Trent McColly, Tony DeBruno, and David Messersmith

NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Jim Mills and Erin Pfarner

STAFF PRESENT

Via Zoom - Rob Martella, Lisa Skiles, and Gary Williamson

GUESTS PRESENT

None

NEW BUSINESS

Janet Campbell noted Committee Appointments are due at the August Board of Directors meeting.

Janet Campbell and David Messersmith reviewed the Board of Directors candidates to be considered for the upcoming USYSA elections. The board discussed their thoughts on the appropriate candidate for each position. The board elected to allow Janet and David to make changes if needed after speaking with the candidates.

Janet Campbell discussed the proposed USYSA Bylaw to add an athlete to the Board of Directors.

Janet Campbell presented a play down request from Colleyville Soccer Association and noted all required documentation had been presented and reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Colleyville Soccer Association play down request. The motion was approved.

Janet Campbell discussed the dual youth player registration pilot program that Midland Soccer Association will be running with coordination from Jim Mills.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM

Carlos Quinones
Vice President
August 3, 2021

During the months of June and July the following misconduct were conducted:

	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>2020/2021</u> <u>YTD</u>
Appeals - A&D Committee Chairman - Vice President	0	0	0
Appeals - Executive Committee Chairman, President	1	0	2
Appeals - Risk Management Chairman, President	0	1	1
Competitive Committee Hearings Chairman, Youth Commissioner	1	0	11
Cup & Games Committee Hearings Chairman, Cup and Games Chairman	0	0	1
Indoor Chairman - Vice President	0	0	0
Outdoor Chairman - Vice President	1	0	6
Referee Assault / Abuse Chairman, President	0	1	14
Referee Misconduct Chairman, Vice President	1	0	4
Youth Commissioner Hearings Chairman, Youth Commissioner	0	0	2
Total Hearings:	4	2	41

Activities:

David Messersmith
Executive Director
August 3, 2021

Meetings held/attended since last board report

1. 31000" Website & Social Media
2. JDP Background Checks with Got Sport
3. Pro Challenge Sponsor Sales
4. K&K Insurance Refunds & Renewals
5. USYSA Member Mgt Services
6. Pre AGM Meeting Call
7. NTSSA AGM
8. Board Meeting – Candidates at USYSA
9. USYSA AGM
10. USYSA International Clearances
11. Board members on various issues
12. Regional ED's scheduled calls

**David M Osborne
Chairman, ODP
August 3, 2021**

Attended an Executive Board A&D Hearing on Wednesday 2nd June 2021 at the office in Frisco

Attended an ODP Committee Meeting via Zoom on Thursday 3rd June 2021. Those in attendance included Gary Williamson, Joe Weber, Danielle Caro, Nadim Shabout & David Tucker. The committee selected the inaugural ODP MVP winners for 2020/2021 – the winners selected are Kloe Brown 05G & Cole Powell 05B. Congrats to the winners

Received a text from Gary that ODP practice on Sunday 6th June 2021 had been cancelled due to waterlogged pitches

Attended the NTX ODP Sub-Regional on both Saturday 12th June & Sunday 13th June 2021 at the MoneyGram Soccer Park

Attended an Executive Board A&D Hearing on Thursday 8th July 2021 via Zoom

Attended the AGM on Saturday 10th Jul 2021 at the Westin, Galleria. I was re-elected to the ODP Chair position. Handed out “Of the Year” Awards to the Boys & Girls Competitive Coaches and announced the MVP ODP Boys & Girls winners

Attended a NTSSA BOD Meeting on Tuesday 20th Jul 2021 via Zoom

Received commitments from Nadim Shabout, Danielle Caro & David Tucker on Tuesday 27th Jul 2021 to once again sit on the ODP Committee for the 2021/2022 season

Attended the 2021/2022 ODP Tryouts for the 2009/2008/2007 Girls at MoneyGram on Sunday 1st Aug 2021

2021/2022 ODP Committee Members –

Gary Williamson – NTSSA Director of Coaching & Player Development

Joe Weber – ODP Operations Manager

Danielle Caro – ODP Head Coach

Nadim Shabout – ODP Head Coach

David Tucker – BESA Coaching Director

Joe Weber's Report – ODP Office Administrator

ODP Board Report – June & July 2021

ODP wrapped up its 2020-2021 season with the North Texas Sub-Regional in June, and the Region ID Camp held in Murfreesboro, TN in July.

NTX Sub-Regional: June 11 – 13

Total Games: 131

Total Teams: 79

North Texas: 21

South Texas: 28

El Paso: 8

Georgia: 22

Region ID Camp: July 9 - 16

Boys:

114 Players Invited

96 Players Attended

50 Players Selected for the REGIONAL POOL

Girls:

97 Players Invited

91 Players Attended

41 Players selected for the REGIONAL POOL

ODP MVP Awards:

Boys: Cole Powell 2005

Girls: Kloe Brown 2005

Tryouts: August 1, 8, 15, 22

All Tryouts will be held at MoneyGram Soccer Park

ODP Committee Meeting: June 3, 2021

Attendance:

- David Osborne: ODP Chair
- Joe Weber: Operations Manager
- Gary Williamson: Director of Coaching & Player Development
- Danielle Caro: Girls 08 Head Coach
- Nadim Shabout: Boys 06 Head Coach
- David Tucker: BESA

ODP MVP:

- Boys Winner: Cole Powell 05
- Girls Winner: Kloe Brown 05
- Blue tall acrylic chosen as award
 - Joe will see if Red is an option as well

Tryouts:

- Will be posted on website 2nd week of June
- Send flyer to presidents for them to post on our website

Practices:

- Final Practice scheduled for June 6th

Upcoming Events:

- NTX ODP Sub-Regional: June 11-13, MoneyGram Soccer Park, Dallas, TX
- ODP Region ID Camp: July 9-12 (GIRLS), July 13-16 (BOYS), Murfreesboro, TN
 - Number of players invited/accepted were discussed

Closing remarks by David Osborne

Meeting adjourned

Larry Hall
Men's Commissioner
August 3, 2021

For the month of July I accomplished the following:

- Participated in the North Texas State Soccer Association Annual General Meeting.
- Participated in a North Texas State Soccer Association Assault/Abuse Hearing.
- Participated in a North Texas State Soccer Association Risk Management Hearing.
- Participated in several USASA Governance Committee Zoom meetings. Completed the revisions of the USASA Policies Manual and submitted it to the Board of Directors for approval and distribution.
- Had a conference call with the USASA Region 3 Director about the upcoming USASA AGM and Region 3 meeting and North Texas submitting a bid for the 2022 USASA National Cup Region 3 Tournament.
- Spoke with one Adult Association and was invited to attend their AGM later in August.
- Attended one Adult Association's AGM and presided over their rule changes and elections.
- Spoke with one Adult Association about their upcoming rule changes.

Rachene' Badii
Women's Commissioner
August 3, 2021

Tuesday, July 20 – Ad Hoc Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 21 – Started communicating with Rachel Schultz (31000 FT) regarding social media; coordinated a “photo shoot” for social media posts

Thursday, July 29 – Communicated with CYSA regarding their adult leagues

Friday, July 30 – Communicated with Djorn Buchholz regarding Hall of Fame tours, ticket prices and events; possible photos with the Founding Members wall recognizing any adult leagues that contributed



Trent McColly
State Referee Chairman
August 3, 2021

The North Texas Soccer Referee Program continues to stay busy. We held the summer All-Referee Meeting and fitness tests July 17. Thanks to Joe for arranging the track with Frisco at the last minute and for Greater Lewisville Soccer Association for allowing us the use of fields for the training. The 2022 registration process began July 31 with several Grassroots entry-level.

Jason Guillen has agreed to take charge of the Junior Elite Referee Program which recently added several new members when previous members were invited to join the Elite Referee Program. The Junior Elite Referee Program—like its advanced counterpart—offers field and online training and meets the third Thursday each month. These two programs help to provide continuing education and development for referees who aspire to the higher ranks.

North Texas, not unlike the statistics found across the country, faces a retention problem each year—especially seen during this past year’s pandemic. However, the Referee Program continues to come up with ways to address the issue. About four years ago, with the help of Ian Chapman, we started the Respect Our Referee campaign, which continues to be taught in our entry-level Grassroots clinics. Beginning in September, with the help of Fernanda Harlett and Travis Bohannon, we are excited to announce the beginning of monthly Jam Sessions only for first-year referees. These monthly Zoom meetings will allow new referees to ask questions, seek clarification, and receive additional training and support to guide them through their first year of refereeing. These meetings will be held the third Wednesday of each month with invitations going out to all entry-level clinic participants.

For current referees, the 2022 recertification process will be opening later this month with all online modules being completed in <https://ntxreferees.omgtsys.com/>. This is the second year to use this platform, and we have been working on ways to make the process easier and more user-friendly going forward.

The North Texas Soccer Referee Program was represented well during this summer’s events. We had one referee selected from Presidents Cup Regionals to attend National Presidents Cup where he was assigned a line on one of the finals. We had five referees attend USYS Nationals with four receiving assignments on finals. North Texas officials were assigned the middle on 20U Girls final, the middle and assistant on the 20U Boys final, and a line on the 13U final. One of these same officials was also ranked the top referee when he attended the USASA Adult Regionals earlier in June.

Committee Members:

Trent McColly – Chairman/State Referee Administrator
Fernanda Harlett – State Youth Referee Administrator
Ann Hicks – State Director of Instruction
Bret Harp – State Director of Assessments
Jason Guillen – Area Administrator – East
John Travis Bohannon – Area Administrator - West