

MINUTES OF THE NTSSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 3, 2025

Janet Campbell, President, called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM

IN ATTENDANCE

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

NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Dick Metivier and David Tucker

STAFF PRESENT

Rob Martella and Lisa Skiles

GUESTS PRESENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- April 26, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

Janet Campbell reviewed the following with the Board:

- NTSSA AGM will be at the Westin Galleria Dallas, July 18-20, 2025
- USASA Regional meeting last weekend in New Orleans
- Presidents Cup, June 12-17, 2025
- Southern Regionals, June 26-July 2, 2025

STAFF DISCUSSION

Lisa Skiles discussed AGM due dates for the various items she will need from the board.

Rob Martella noted that preparations are complete for the Regional Presidents Cup event, with approximately 148 teams attending, and the Regional Championship Series, with approximately 190 teams attending.

Warren Cottle was absent and supplied a written report.

David Messersmith updated the board on the GotSport renewal contract.

David also reported on some office changes:

- Javier Perdomo left to pursue another opportunity, and we have hired Tristin Meza to fill the vacant position.
- Brittany Campbell is moving to Midland in August, and we are discussing the possibility of allowing her to work remotely.

David Messersmith reported that the IRS has increased the mileage reimbursement rate. In accordance with policy, the Board must either adopt the IRS rate or establish a separate rate. The Board agreed to adopt and follow the IRS mileage reimbursement rate.

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 – Absent

Erin Pfarner – Nothing to add to the written report

Jim Mills – Jim noted that for Fall Competitive Registration, the online Competitive Form in GotSport will be utilized. Two webinars have been held—one with Association registrars and another with club administrators. This topic will also be addressed at the AGM workshops.

David Tucker – Absent

Jerry Deaton – Nothing to report

David Osborne – Nothing to add to the written report

Rach Badii – Nothing to report

Trent McColly – Trent noted that referee registration closes on June 30 and that current registrations are only 416 short of the all-time record. We have surpassed the registration numbers from the last five (5) years. Whistlemania® will be held July 12-13, 2025. Our goal is to have 300 new referees on Saturday, July 12, at Railroad Park in Lewisville. Trent announced with excitement that, of the 19 referees required to be sent to US Youth Soccer Regionals, four (4) are female, and of the 14 referees required for President's Cup Regionals, two (2) are female. This marks the first time such a significant number of female referees have been selected for these major events.

CONSENT AGENDA

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Janet Campbell reminded members that background checks and SafeSport certifications expired on May 31. Those who have not yet done so must submit a new background check and update their SafeSport certification.

GOOD OF THE GAME

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM

**Executive Director Report
David Messersmith
6-3-2025**

Meetings held/attended since last board report

- 1. USYSA South Region meeting**
- 2. Got Sport renewal**
- 3. Big Country issues**
- 4. Sports Engine website and background check**
- 5. USASA Regional meeting**
- 6. Potential telecom sponsor**
- 7. New employee Tristen Meza replacing Javier's position**
- 8. Safe Sport inquiries**
- 9. Board members on various issues**

**David M Osborne
NTX ODP Chair
3rd Jun 2025**

Attended a couple of A & D Hearings as part of the Executive Board via zoom on Thursday 1st May 2025.

Attended an A & D Hearing as part of the Executive Board via zoom on Thursday 8th May 2025.

Attended ODP practice at Boswell High School from 2pm through 5pm on Sunday 18th May 2025.

Worked on the "Of the Year" Nomination Spreadsheet to select the winners in each of the various categories during the week of the 26th of May 2025.

Attended ODP practice at Oakridge High School from 2pm through 5pm on Sunday 1st Jun 2025.

Completed my Background check and Safe Sports updates on Sunday 1st Jun 2025.

Attended an A & D Appeals Hearing as part of the Executive Board via zoom on Monday 2nd Jun 2025.

Will be holding a final ODP Committee Meeting for the season on Wednesday 4th Jun 2025. Main emphasize will be selecting the Boys & Girls ODP MVPs for the year and the ODP Coach of the year.

2025 DFW & WTX ODP Practice Schedule:

FIELD ADDRESSES:

- **Boswell High School:** 5805 W Bailey Boswell Rd, Fort Worth, TX 76179
- **The Oakridge School:** 5900 W Pioneer Pkwy, Arlington, TX 76013
- **Abilene Christian University** - 1600 Campus Ct, Abilene, TX 79601
- **Hardin-Simmons University** - 2200 Hickory St, Abilene, TX 79601

BOYS & Girls:

DFW Teams

The Oakridge School – 6/1/2025 for all 2008 through 2014 teams from Noon through 6pm – last practice of the current ODP Season.

WTX Teams

No ODP practices schedules

Upcoming ODP Event Schedule 2025

South Region Sub-Regional Event

6th – 8th June 2025

Location – MoneyGram Soccer Park

2008 – 2014 Boys & Girls

Schedules

https://system.gotsport.com/org_event/events/42421/schedule_pdf.pdf?group_id=371710

Region III I.D. Camp

Boys' 9th – 11th July 2025

Girls 6th – 8th July 2025

Location – Charlotte, North Carolina

2008 – 2013 Boys & Girls

David M Osborne
Temporary NTX Coaching Education Chair
3rd June 2025

Coaching Education Update

COACHING SYMPOSIUM – LET’S PLAN TOGETHER

North Texas Soccer will host a Coaching Symposium during the AGM, July 18–20, 2025, and it will be fully led by our coaching education department. The focus of this symposium will be **Youth Player Development**—a topic central to everything we do.

We will hold a **planning meeting on June 8th** to begin organizing the structure, sessions, and educator lineup.

 **Save the Date: June 8 – Coaching Symposium Planning Meeting**

I'm asking each of you to bring **nominations for educators** you believe are outstanding in the area of **youth player development**, whether from NTSSA or your broader network.

Our goal is to create a weekend experience that:


- Inspires and equips **recreational, club, high school, and college coaches**
- Showcases **local talent** while bringing in respected national voices
- Delivers practical, development-focused education that's relevant and actionable

Confirmed Headliner: Laurence Mahony (Ireland)

- UEFA A-Licensed Coach
- Former youth international, national league, and UEFA Cup coach
- Former FAI Coach Educator & curriculum designer (Level 1 through UEFA A)
- Author of *Let The Players Play* and *Move The Ball!*
- More at: www.bigpicturecoachingireland.com

 **Also in conversation: Randy Waldrum**, Head Coach at the University of Pittsburgh and Trinidad & Tobago WNT

 **Cost: \$125** – Affordable and inclusive for coaches at every level.

 **Special thanks to Butch Lauffer (West Texas A&M)** for helping us secure both **Laurence Mahony** and **Randy Waldrum**—his continued support has been invaluable in elevating the level of our symposium

COACHING EDUCATION INITIATIVES – GROWING STATEWIDE

We're having one of our strongest years to date in terms of course demand and delivery:

Summer:

- **Grassroots Courses** added in **Little Elm** and **Midland**
- **Recent courses in Irving and Roanoke both sold out**

Fall:

- **Two D Licenses** planned:
 - **Little Elm**
 - **Lubbock**
- **One C License** planned:
 - **Little Elm**

MIDLAND (Hosted by Midland Soccer Association)

📍 *Hogan Park, Midland, TX*

- **9v9 Course**
 - Virtual: June 11 | 6:30–8:30 PM
 - In-Person: June 14 | 8:30–10:30 AM
- **11v11 Course**
 - Virtual: June 12 | 6:30–8:30 PM
 - In-Person: June 14 | 11:00 AM–1:00 PM

LITTLE ELM – Hosted by LEYSA & Little Elm High School

📍 *LEYSA Soccer Fields & Little Elm High School (1900 Walker Ln)*

July – Little Elm High School Courses

- **9v9 Course**
 - Virtual: July 23 | 6:30–8:30 PM
 - In-Person: July 26 | 8:30–10:30 AM
- **11v11 Course**
 - Virtual: July 24 | 6:30–8:30 PM
 - In-Person: July 26 | 11:00 AM–1:00 PM

August – LEYSA Courses

- **4v4 Course**
 - Virtual: August 12 | 6:00–8:00 PM
 - In-Person: August 15 | 9:00–11:00 AM
- **7v7 Course**
 - Virtual: August 13 | 6:00–8:00 PM
 - In-Person: August 15 | 11:00 AM–1:00 PM

D LICENSE – LUBBOCK OR LITTLE ELM (Choose Your Path)

📌 LUBBOCK – Lubbock Christian University

- **Pre-Course Webinar:** July 28 | 6:00–7:00 PM
- **Intro Webinar:** August 4 | 6:00–8:00 PM
- **On-Field #1:** August 30–31 | 9:00 AM–6:00 PM
- **On-Field #2:** September 20–21 | 9:00 AM–6:00 PM
- **Final Webinar:** September 29 | 6:00–8:00 PM

📌 LITTLE ELM – Little Elm High School

- **Pre-Course Webinar:** July 21 | 6:00–7:00 PM
- **Intro Webinar:** July 28 | 6:00–8:00 PM
- **On-Field #1:** August 23–24 | 9:00 AM–6:00 PM
- **On-Field #2:** September 13–14 | 9:00 AM–6:00 PM
- **Final Webinar:** September 22 | 6:00–8:00 PM

Elena Williams
Vice President
June 3, 2025

During the month of May the following hearings were conducted:

	<u>May</u>	<u>2024/2025</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	16
Competitive Committee Hearings Chairman, Youth Commissioner	0	1
Cup & Games Committee Hearings Chairman, Cup and Games Chairman	0	0
Indoor Chairman - Vice President	0	0
Outdoor Chairman - Vice President	4	7
Referee Assault / Abuse Chairman, President	8	25
Referee Misconduct Chairman, Vice President	1	3
Youth Commissioner Hearings Chairman, Youth Commissioner	0	1
Total Hearings:	14	53

Activities:

June 2025

Since February, I have

- **Supported multiple hearings and appeals**
- **Supported the financial budget review**
- **Supported a number of organizational inquiries for support**

Over the last several weeks, we have received several membership inquiries which are under review and consideration.

Regards

Erin Pfarner

Vice-President, Development

David Messersmith

From: Warren Cottle
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2025 2:44 PM
To: David Messersmith
Subject: Board Brief

North Texas State Soccer Association – Board Meeting Brief

Submitted by: L. Warren Cottle

Date: June 4, 2025

Subject: Coaching Education & ODP Update

Absence Notice:

I will be unable to attend the upcoming board meeting due to my participation in the **U.S. Soccer B License Educator Course in Kansas City**. Please find below a comprehensive update on our current initiatives in coaching education and ODP programming.

📌 Coaching Education Highlights

Summer Expansion:

- We are offering new **Grassroots Courses** in **Little Elm** and **Midland** this summer to serve growing regions.
- Recent courses in **Irving** and **Roanoke** filled to capacity—indicating a strong, consistent demand for grassroots education.

Fall Advanced Courses:

- **Two D Licenses** scheduled:
 - **Little Elm**
 - **Lubbock**
- **C License** will also be hosted in **Little Elm**, building on prior course success and geographic access.

Facility Partnerships:

- **Little Elm High School** is now officially a **designated location** for **coaching education** and **ODP training events**.
 - In exchange, we are providing coaching licenses up to the **D License level** for both **middle and high school coaches** in their district.
- We've also **re-secured Boswell High School** as a training location after reconnecting with new contacts there.
 - This provides **coverage on both sides of the Metroplex**, significantly improving accessibility for coaches and players.

Coaching Symposium – AGM Weekend (July 18–20, 2025)

- Organized and executed **in-house** by NTSSA Coaching Department
- **Cost:** \$125 per coach (affordable and inclusive of rec, club, HS, and college coaches)
- **Keynote Speaker:**
 - **Laurence Mahony** (Ireland)
 - UEFA A-Licensed, former youth international
 - Coach educator with the FAI (1994–2013)
 - Extensive experience from grassroots to UEFA Cup
 - Author of *Let The Players Play* and *Move The Ball!*
 - More at: www.bigpicturecoachingireland.com
- **Additional Speakers Under Consideration:**
 - **Randy Waldrum** – Head Coach at University of Pittsburgh and Trinidad & Tobago WNT
 - **Local educators** to complete the speaker lineup

ODP Update

- We wrapped up the final ODP training session for the season this past **Sunday**.
- We are hosting a **sub-regional event** featuring teams from:
 - **South Texas**
 - **Georgia**
 - **Oklahoma**
 - **Washington State**
- These interstate matchups highlight the expanding reach and competitiveness of our program.

National Team Recognition:

- Congratulations to **Sarah Webb** and **Addison Staats**—both selected for **U.S. Youth National Team Camps** (May 30 – June 1), proudly representing **North Texas ODP**.

Please reach out if you have any questions or need additional follow-up. I look forward to reporting back after completing the B Course.

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