

MINUTES OF THE NTSSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

March 1, 2022

Janet Campbell, President, called the meeting to order at 7:04 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, and David Messersmith

NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Tony DeBruno

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: February 1, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES

Janet Campbell reviewed the agenda for the USSF AGM March 4-5, 2022.

Janet Campbell reminded the Board of Directors the budget meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2022 at 10:00 am. Janet noted we will also have a short board meeting on April 23, 2022 at 9:00 am.

Janet Campbell noted the deadlines for our AGM:

- “of the Year” Nominations Due – April 30, 2022
- Candidate Bios Due – May 31, 2022

STAFF DISCUSSION

Gary Williamson nothing to report.

Rob Martella – Absent; written report submitted.

Lisa Skiles nothing to add to her written report.

David Messersmith nothing to add to his written report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Appeals and Disciplinary Committee**
- **Audit Committee**
- **Bylaws, Rules, and Regulations Committee**

- **Coaches Training and State Select Team Committee**
- **Competitive Soccer Committee** – Jim Mills noted the numbers for Presidents Cup are down. Schedules have been posted and the event is ready to go.
- **Cup & Games Committee**
- **Finance Committee**
- **ODP Committee**
- **Recreational Soccer Committee**
- **Referee Committee**
- **Risk Management Committee**
- **Risk Management Policy Committee**
- ***The Pitch*[™] / Committee**

OFFICER REPORTS

Carlos Quinones – Nothing to add to written report

Dick Metivier – Nothing to report

Erin Pfarnner - Nothing to report

Jim Mills – Jim stated we received notice from Terrell Soccer Association that they will no longer be registering with North Texas Soccer. Forney Soccer Association has expressed an interest in the open territory. Jim stated he would set up a meeting with Forney Soccer and Erin Pfarnner.

Tony DeBruno – Absent

Larry Hall – Nothing to report

David Osborne - Nothing to add to written report

Rach Badii – Nothing to add to written report

Trent McColly – Nothing to add to written report

Jim Wagner – Nothing to report

CONSENT AGENDA

None

OLD BUSINESS

Janet Campbell noted there is no update in the candidates running at the USSF AGM or for the USASA board.

Janet Campbell asked for an update on the proposed Adult Tournament. Rach Badii stated she has been looking for available fields. Janet stated Rach should work with Rob Martella in the office to look for venues.

NEW BUSINESS

Jim Mills stated USYSA is starting the E64 League which is to consist of 64 Elite clubs across the country. North Texas had three (3) clubs apply; BVB, Renegades, and Dallas Surf. At this time only, the Renegades have been announced as confirmed. Our clubs are not happy with this. The issue is this takes teams away from the Boys and Girls Classic Leagues. We feel USYSA should not create products that are in direct competition with the states.

Janet Campbell discussed the proposed Bylaw changes for USSF.

David Messersmith noted the deadline for the USYSA Andy Stone Scholarship is April 15, 2022. This scholarship alternates between the USYSA states in the South Region each year and it is North Texas Soccer's turn to receive this. This is awarded to one boy and one girl and includes youth players and referees.

Janet Campbell asked if we would have the Golf Tournament at the AGM this year. David stated we will reach out to determine interest with our Associations.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM

Carlos Quinones
Vice President
March 1, 2022

During the month of February the following hearings were conducted:

	<u>February</u>	<u>2021/2022</u> <u>YTD</u>
Appeals - A&D Committee Chairman - Vice President	0	0
Appeals - Executive Committee Chairman, President	0	1
Appeals - Risk Management Chairman, President	2	2
Competitive Committee Hearings Chairman, Youth Commissioner	0	11
Cup & Games Committee Hearings Chairman, Cup and Games Chairman	0	0
Indoor Chairman - Vice President	0	0
Outdoor Chairman - Vice President	0	1
Referee Assault / Abuse Chairman, President	0	16
Referee Misconduct Chairman, Vice President	1	2
Youth Commissioner Hearings Chairman, Youth Commissioner	0	1
Total Hearings:	3	34

Activities:

David Messersmith
Executive Director
March 1, 2022

Meetings held/attended since last board report

1. 31000' social media
2. Texas Work. Comm. unemployment issue
3. Dallas Cup youth international travel
4. USSF Member Call ITC's & AGM updates
5. Safe Sport Reporting
6. Region III Adult Meeting
7. Candidates for USSF calls
8. Board members on various issues

David M Osborne
Chairman, ODP
March 1, 2022

Attended the NTX Monthly Board Meeting via Zoom on Tuesday 1st February 2022

Attended ODP practice at Gateway Field in Fort Worth on Sunday 20th February 2022. Watched the 2005 & 2006 Girls and the 2008/2009 & 2010 Boys in action

Attended an ODP Committee Meeting via Zoom on Tuesday 22nd February 2022. Those in attendance included myself, Gary Williamson, Alex Williams and David Tucker. Unfortunately both Danielle Caro and Nadim Shabout were absent.

Highlights from the Meeting -

- (1) At the Scott Dymond College Showcase Tournament on the 5th & 6th March 2022, one team from the 2005 & 2006 Boys & Girls age groups will participate
- (2) Practice started up again on Sunday 20th February 2022 at Gateway Field in Fort Worth. Weather was good and most teams had 100% participation. The only concerning issue which Alex will look into is the poor condition of the Porta-Potties
- (3) Gary discussed TOCA Football sessions. The first team to participate will be the 2010 Girls on the 27th March 2022. More details once they go through a session. TOCA is located in Mansfield
- (4) ODP Budget will be discussed at the session in April 2022. Question raised by David Tucker if we could receive ODP business cards that could be handed out mainly at recreational events to get more rec players involved. Informed David would look into that more
- (5) Discussed the ODP MVP Awards for 2022. Will select one Boy & Girl winner from the 2009 – 2005 age groups. Meeting with Alex to go over the details. Discussed having the winners or a family member present at the AGM in July as neither were present at last year's event.

ODP Upcoming Practices ---

Gateway Park: 4800 E 1st St, Fort Worth, TX 76103

BOYS:

2005 - 3/20, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 1
4/24, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 1
2006 - 3/20, 2:30pm - 4:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 1
4/24, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 5
2007 - 3/20, 2:30pm - 4:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 2
4/24, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 4
2008 - 3/20, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 4
4/24, 12:00pm - 2:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 2
2009 - 3/20, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 5
4/24, 12:00pm - 2:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 1

2010 - 3/27, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 4
4/3, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 4
2011 - 3/27, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 5
4/3, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 5

GIRLS:

2005 - 3/20, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 2
4/24, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 2
2006 - 3/20, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 2
4/24, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 2
2007 - 3/20, 12:00pm - 2:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 2
4/24, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 4
2008 - 3/20, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 4
4/24, 2:30pm - 4:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 2
2009 - 3/20, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 5
4/24, 2:30pm - 4:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 1
2010 - 3/27, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 4
4/3, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 4
2011 - 3/27, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 5
4/3, 1:30pm - 3:30pm, Gateway Park, FIELD # 5

Upcoming ODP Events ---

Scott Dymond College Showcase: March 5th & 6th 2022

Location: Dallas/Frisco, TX

Age Groups Attending --- 2005 & 2006

GA Sub-Regional: June 10th – 12th 2022

Location: Atlanta, GA

Age Groups Attending --- 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011

South Region ODP ID CAMP (GIRLS): July 9th -12th

Location: Murfreesboro, TN

Age Groups Attending --- 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, & 2010

South Region ODP ID CAMP (BOYS): July 14th -17th

Location: Murfreesboro, TN

Age Groups Attending --- 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, & 2010

Lisa Skiles
Director of Member Services
March 1, 2022

1. Setting up website on new platform with American Eagle
2. Adding updates to both current website and new website
3. Worked on Dallas Cup ad
4. Weekly phone calls with GotSport
5. Set up new hire, Alexis Williams
6. Working on 2022 AGM
7. Sending out Email blast for sponsors
8. Board – FC Dallas ticket request

Rachene' Badii
Women's Commissioner
March 1, 2022

Feb 1 – NTSSA Board of Directors Meeting
Feb 2 – FWASA Spring 2022 General Meeting
Feb 2 – Region III Meeting (pre-AGM discussions)
Feb 6 – NTWSA Captain's Meeting
Feb 21- 3 Risk Management Committee Hearings
Feb 24 – Region III Meeting

Rob Martella
Director of Operations
March 1, 2022

Meetings / events and activities since last board meeting:

1. Phone calls with Dallas Sports Commission, Frisco CVB and FC Dallas regarding the President Cup at Toyota Soccer Park.
2. City of Cedar Hill regarding the fields at Valley Ridge Park.
3. Meeting with American Golf Cart for the upcoming Southern Presidents Cup.
4. Frontier Conference Matches at Gateway Park.
5. American Eagle – moving to the new platform
6. 31000 FT. Presentation
7. Presidents Cup March 10 – 15, 2022 Cedar Hill
 - a. Awards
 - b. Tents
 - c. Golf Carts
 - d. Medical
 - e. Awards
 - f. Conference call with Jim Mill and Kathy Rudd



North Texas Soccer

Referee Committee

March 1, 2022

The North Texas Soccer Referee Program continues its mission to recruit, train, support, and retain officials for all North Texas Soccer playing associations. 2022 registrations and recertifications continue. Since the February report, we have increased by almost 1,000 referees. February's numbers were 2,365. We now have 3,314 registered referees in North Texas. While the increase from last month is great, we are still down about 500 from the total number last year and almost 2,300 from pre-COVID years. Dozens of Grassroots Entry-Level Clinics are currently posted in OMS around North Texas, and associations are encouraged to request and host more. For the first time, North Texas will be hosting two clinics during spring break in hopes to recruit students who are out of school.

The program is continuing to offer additional training for playing associations for their Grassroots Referees. These 90-minute fine-tuning clinics are provided free of charge to associations who want to support their referees further. Two associations will be hosting these sessions this weekend: North Richland Hills and Tyler. Fernanda Harlett, the State Youth Referee Administrator, conducted last month's Jam Sessions over the topic of how to receive games in different associations. Attendance for last month's session was the best yet with about 60 people joining the Zoom. Jason Guillen, East Texas Area Administrator, continues to provide leadership for the Junior Elite Referee Program. Last month members of that group were given video clips to analyze and provide considerations about proper management. The group will be meeting via Zoom again this month to review those scenarios. The Elite Referee Program met by Zoom last month with a special guest, Eddie Puskasich.

The North Texas Soccer Referee Program will be providing a Grassroots Mentor Program over the next three months. Twelve individuals were selected for Cohort 1 of this new licensing course that combines the traditional roles of instructor and assessor. The group must complete online training provided by US Soccer. Its first meeting will be to observe a video analysis session during the March 17 Junior Elite Referee Program Zoom. They will then meet Sunday, April 24 in-person to review how to observe officials' performance and provide feedback then conduct a video analysis using considerations. They will then conduct one referee observation and feedback session during the first weekend of State Cup. Their final requirement will be done during the May 19 Junior Elite Program session where they will conduct a field session.

The committee is looking at realistic options to host a Regional Coach course in the near future as all currently registered Regional Assessors and/or Instructors must complete that training before 2024 registration year in order to remain certified at the same level.