

## **MINUTES OF THE NTSSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**March 4, 2025**

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

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

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

### **NOT IN ATTENDANCE**

Dick Metivier and Jim Mills

### **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 submitted:

- February 4, 2025

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES**

Janet Campbell reviewed the following with the Board:

- USSF AGM, Janet noted she stepped down from the adult council as she is now on the youth council for the federation and can only vote in one capacity.
- Janet reported that the US Soccer Federation will open a volunteer portal sometime in July to register as a volunteer at the 2026 World Cup Games.
- The US Soccer Federation has voted, and USYS, AYSO, and US Club are in agreement to move to a school-based year that will start on September 1. This will go into effect for the 2026/2027 soccer season.
- Trent McColly noted for the Referees, US Soccer Federation is going with green badges for minor referees so they are easily distinguishable due to the new referee abuse policy that has the 3x multiplier if the abuse is against a minor referee.
- NTSSA Budget Meeting to be held at the office on April 26, 2025, starting with a board meeting at 9:00 AM, followed by the budget meeting.
- David Messersmith reviewed the due date timeline for the budget process.

### **STAFF DISCUSSION**

Lisa Skiles reported that background checks and hearings have been very busy. She also noted the ad for the 2025 Dallas Cup has been completed and sent to them, as well as the email blast and website update for the new Referee Abuse policy is ready to go once final approval from Trent McColly is received.

Rob Martella noted that Presidents Cup starts in a week at UTD. He also reported working with Trent McColly on the Referee OMS session that is coming to town. He also stated he has a site visit with the Referee delegation for Southern Regional next week.

Warren Cottle reported that the coaching courses that have been scheduled are filling up, and ODP is running smoothly.

David Messersmith said he had several meetings last month heading up to the USSF AGM.

### **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*<sup>TM</sup> / 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** – Absent

**David Tucker** – Nothing to report

**Jerry Deaton** – Nothing to report

**David Osborne** – Nothing to add to the written report

**Rach Badii** – Nothing to report

**Trent McColly** – Nothing to add to the written report

**CONSENT AGENDA**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

David Messersmith discussed the Grant Program that NTSSA did in the 1990s through the early 2000s. The board decided to discuss this at the budget meeting.

Janet Campbell questioned Erin Pfarner on the application status of a prospective member.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Janet Campbell reported that a notice had been sent from Jim Mills on the new playing age groups going back to the school year beginning 2026/2027.

**GOOD OF THE GAME**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM

**David Messersmith**  
**Executive Director**  
**March 4, 2025**

**Meetings held/attended since last board report**

1. USYSA Large State Meeting
2. Tom Condone Interim CEO at USYSA
3. USSF Budget Meeting
4. USSF Grant Meeting
5. Farmers Ins. Potential Sponsor Meeting
6. USSF Policy Meeting
7. Perot Museum World Cup Meeting
8. USSF Referee Policy
9. USSF AGM + Youth Council
10. USASA AGM + Adult Council
11. Several Safe Sport inquiries
12. USYSA update meetings
13. Board members on various issues

**David M Osborne  
Temporary Chairman, Coaching Education  
March 4, 2025**

**Coaching Education Update**

I attended a Coaching Recruitment meeting via zoom on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Those in attendance included, Warren, Elena, Jim and myself. The focus was to get parents more involved with the process of selecting coaches and the criteria involved. A session will be part of the AGM coming in July.

Warren sent out a video on Goalkeeping to all NTX Coaches on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025. The video features our ODP Head Goalkeeping Coach – Steve Cooney.

**Updated Coaches Licenses**

On going D Course – 3<sup>rd</sup> February through 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

Next C Course – 17<sup>th</sup> March through 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Next B Course – April 2025

**Grassroots Clinics**

**4 v 4**

Hots (Waco) – 19<sup>th</sup> March 2025

**7 V 7**

None

**9 v 9**

Hots (Waco) – 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025

**11 v 11**

None

**David M Osborne  
Chairman, ODP  
March 4, 2025**

Attended ODP practice at the Oakridge School in Arlington on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2025. Watched the 2008 – 2009 & 2011 Boys along with the 2014 Girls in action.

On the Coaches Contact page it now lists the highest license all our ODP Head Coaches hold as of the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2025.

Head of ODP – A License  
Head of Goalkeeper – B License  
Head Coaches – Total of 14 (7 Boys & 7 Girls 2008 – 2014)  
A License – 4  
B License – 5  
C License – 5

When I started with the ODP Programme in July 2020 most of the Coaches held the D License or less.

Attended the Executive Board Meeting via zoom on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

**ODP National Selection**

**Boys:**

2009 – Tour to the UK  
Kelvin Gonzalez - Midfielder  
Mudathir (Junior) Agele Mohamedy - Midfielder

**Girls:**

2010 – Tour to Costa Rica  
Addison Staats - Defender

2011 – Easter Cup  
Sarah Webb - Goalkeeper

**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**

Boswell High School – 5/4/2025 for all 2008 through 2014 teams from 8am through 8pm

The Oakridge School – 6/1/2025 for all 2008 through 2014 teams from Noon through 6pm

### **WTX Teams**

#### **2008 – 2010 Boys: (08B Field # 2, 09B-10B Field # 1)**

03/29 - Hardin Simmons University: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

03/30 - Hardin Simmons University: 10:00am - 12:00pm & 2:00pm - 4:00pm

#### **2011 – 2014 Boys: (11B-12B Field # 2, 13B-14B Field # 1)**

03/29 - Hardin Simmons University: 4:00pm - 6:00pm

03/30 - Hardin Simmons University: 8:00am - 10:00am & 12:00pm - 2:00pm

#### **2010 – 2012 Girls:**

03/29 - Abilene Christian University: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

03/30 - Abilene Christian University: 10:00am - 12:00pm & 2:00pm - 4:00pm

#### **2013 – 2014 Girls:**

03/29 - Abilene Christian University: 4:00pm - 6:00pm

03/30 - Abilene Christian University: 8:00am - 10:00am & 12:00pm - 2:00pm

## **Upcoming ODP Event Schedule 2025**

### **Scott Dymond College ID Showcase**

8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Location – Toyota Soccer Centre

2008 & 2009 Boys only.

Schedule for the 2008 Boys -

[https://system.gotsport.com/org\\_event/events/38916/schedules?team=2844721](https://system.gotsport.com/org_event/events/38916/schedules?team=2844721)

2008 Roster

[https://www.ntxsoccer.org/assets/74/6/2008b\\_scott\\_d\\_roster.pdf](https://www.ntxsoccer.org/assets/74/6/2008b_scott_d_roster.pdf)

Schedule for the 2009 Boys –

[https://system.gotsport.com/org\\_event/events/38916/schedules?team=2844736](https://system.gotsport.com/org_event/events/38916/schedules?team=2844736)

2009 Roster

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**South Region Sub-Regional Event**

6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Location – MoneyGram Soccer Park

2008 – 2014 Boys & Girls

**Region III I.D. Camp**

July 2025

Location – Charlotte, North Carolina

2008 – 2013 Boys & Girls



**Elena Williams**  
**Vice President**  
**March 4, 2025**

**During the month of February the following hearings were conducted:**

	<u>February</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	5	5
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	0	3
Referee Assault / Abuse Chairman, President	1	14
Referee Misconduct Chairman, Vice President	0	1
Youth Commissioner Hearings Chairman, Youth Commissioner	0	1
<b>Total Hearings:</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>25</b>

**Activities:**

**Erin Pfarner**  
**Vice President Development**  
**March 4, 2025**

February was a fairly quiet month.

Thank you to the board for reviewing and approving provisional membership during the February board meeting.

I look forward to being back on the pitch this spring.



**Trent McColly**  
**State Referee Chairman**  
North Texas Soccer  
~~February~~ 4, 2025  
*March*

The North Texas Soccer Referee Program currently has 4369 registered referees and continues to grow each day. Our goal for this registration year is to surpass 5,200 registered referees in order to continue showing growth each year since the pandemic decline that started in 2020—plummeting to 3,919 in 2021. 2024 registration numbers (5,123) surpassed 2020 numbers (5,038) but did not reach the previous 2019 high of 5,673. Recertification badges are being distributed by OfficialSports this year, and the move has been somewhat frustrating in its first year.

We are in the planning stages of WhistleMania® 3, which will be held at Railroad Park July 12-13, 2025. This year we have expanded WhistleMania® to two-days and will train new referees the first day and returning referees the second day. WM1 registered 110 new referees come into the program, and WM2 registered 177. This year's goal for WM3 is to register 300 new referees. New referees attending the event provide the program the greatest opportunity for growth. We are planning for 300 returning referees to attend the event July 13.

Our development groups continue to provide solid training to the Junior Elite, Elite, and FORCE groups. The Elite and Junior Elite February sessions covered some of the training that was provided at this year's National Camp. Jam sessions continue to be popular monthly trainings for officials with a Referee license. We had over 75 people join the Zoom training in February.

The referee committee is planning multiple Zoom sessions for referees, coaches, association members, and assignors around the new US Soccer Referee Abuse Policy (RAP) and the new green badges for minor referees. The goal is to provide a soccer community that works in harmony supporting the players we all serve.

Bret Harp and I traveled to Atlanta for the final two days of the US Soccer AGM and the US Soccer Referee Workshop. There is great excitement in the referee world with the hirings of Kari Seitz and Brian Hall. These two, with their teams, have begun a huge transformation of the US Soccer Referee Program.

The North Texas Soccer Referee Program will host the OMS Workshop once again this year. All state referee committees who use the registration platform have been invited to state office in Frisco March 22-23. Thanks to the honorable former national award-winning Rob Martella for helping organize this workshop.

#### Key Referee Program Dates:

Elite Referee – March 10 (every second Monday)  
North Texas Presidents Cup – March 12-16  
Jam Session – March 19 (every third Wednesday)  
Junior Elite – March 20 (every third Thursday)  
OMS Workshop – March 22-23  
Referee Committee Meeting – March 24  
North Texas State Cup – May 1-11  
Adult Regionals - TBD  
Regional Presidents Cup – June 12-17  
Youth Regionals – June 26-July 2  
WhistleMania® 3 – July 12-13  
North Texas AGM – July 18-20  
Regional Advancement Clinic – July 25-27  
Intermediate Referee Clinic\* – November 15-16 or December 13-14