

**October 21, 2007**  
**USASA National Council Meeting**  
**Sheraton Yankee Trader Hotel Fort Lauderdale, FL**

Veterans Cup video and USASA Promotional video were shown prior to official opening of meeting. US Soccer Foundation presentation and Larry Monaco, Chair of US Youth Soccer, addressed the National Council.

Chairman McCormick called the meeting called to order at 8:55 am

Moment of Silence

**Roll Call**

Conducted by Ken Conselyea, Credential Committee Chair by region

Region I

Connecticut: 4 votes (responded)  
Delaware: 2 votes  
Eastern New York: 5 votes (responded)  
Eastern Pennsylvania: 4 votes  
Maine: 0 votes  
Maryland: 2 votes (responded)  
Massachusetts: 5 votes (responded)  
D.C./ Virginia: 5 votes (responded)  
New Hampshire: 2 votes  
New Jersey: 4 votes (responded)  
Pennsylvania West: 2 votes  
Rhode Island: 2 votes (responded)  
Vermont: 1 vote (responded)  
West Virginia: 2 votes  
Western New York: 3 votes (responded)

Region II

Illinois: 4 votes (responded)  
Indiana: 2 votes (responded)  
Iowa: 3 votes (responded)  
Kansas: 3 votes (responded)  
Kentucky: 3 votes (responded)  
Michigan: 4 votes (responded)  
Minnesota: 4 votes (responded)  
Missouri: 2 votes (responded)  
Nebraska: 2 votes (responded)  
Ohio North: 3 votes (responded)  
South Dakota: 1 vote  
Southern Ohio: 3 votes (responded)  
Wisconsin: 2 votes (responded)

Region III

Alabama: 1 vote  
Arkansas: 4 votes (responded)  
Florida: 5 votes (responded)  
Georgia: 4 votes (responded)  
Louisiana: 3 votes (responded)  
Mississippi: 1 vote (responded)  
North Carolina: 5 votes (responded)  
North Texas: 5 votes (responded)  
Oklahoma: 3 votes (responded)  
South Carolina: 3 votes (responded)  
Tennessee: 4 votes  
Texas South: 5 votes (responded)

Region IV

Alaska: 3 votes (responded)  
Arizona: 4 votes (responded)  
Cal North: 5 votes (responded)  
Cal South: 5 votes  
Colorado: 4 votes  
Hawaii: 3 votes (responded)  
Idaho: 3 votes (responded)  
Montana: 2 votes (responded)  
New Mexico: 4 votes (responded)  
Nevada: 3 votes  
Oregon: 4 votes  
Utah: 2 votes (responded)  
Washington: 5 votes (responded)  
Wyoming: 1 vote

AYSO: 3 votes (responded)  
USL: 3 votes  
Champions League: 1 vote (responded)  
Woman's Premier Soccer League: 2 votes (responded)  
National Premier Soccer League: 1 vote (responded)  
Premier Arena Soccer League: 1 vote  
Mid-Atlantic Showcase Soccer League: 1 vote (responded)

Officers:

Brooks McCormick (responded)  
Marge Madriago (responded)  
Toni Briggs-McGee (responded)  
Valerie Blanchenay (responded)

(Roll Call cont'd)

Region I

Larry Frisoli (responded)  
Fritz Marth (responded)  
Tony Falcone  
Matt Krywonos (responded)

Region II

Bruno Trapikas (responded)  
George Chazaro (responded)  
Bill Davey  
Ken Conselyea (responded)

Region III

Carlos Rodriguez (responded)  
Marypat Bell (responded)  
Russell Rankenberg  
Charlsa Moore (responded)

Region IV

Bill Bosgraaf (responded)  
Mike Maloney (responded)  
Graham Biles  
Barbara Trainer (responded)

State Associations not present after second roll call: Delaware, Eastern Penn,  
Maine, New Hampshire, PA West, West Virginia, South Dakota, Alabama,  
Tennessee, Cal South, Colorado, Nevada, Oregon, Wyoming

Leagues not present:

USL

Premier Arena Soccer League

**Chairman's Report**

- Announcement of 2008 Midyear Meeting location, San Antonio, TX at the Marriott Riverwalk
- Office Staff hired – Introduced Steve Addington, Membership Services and Carolina Finol, PR and Communications
- Promotional video that you just saw will be available to USASA members

**Credentials Report**

Ken Conselyea reported that there are 159 votes total

81 majority

144= 90%

141= 80%

120= 75%

107= 2/3

## **Unfinished Business**

Charters, Bylaws – Policies

Proposed Amendment: Bylaw 402 Elections

Peter Pinori, ENY made the motion and Mike Maloney seconded to approve Bylaw 402 as presented. There was discussion on the motion. Marypat Bell spoke against the motion. Larry Frisoli was asked to explain why 75% of the membership. Bruno Trapikas motioned to remove the words “and/or the Adult Council, and Dyann Pugliese seconded. Motion carried. There was discussion regarding definition of USASA officers. John Sutter, NTX motioned and Carlos Rodriguez, Region III Director seconded to table the motion as amended. Motion carried.

## **Elite Player Program (Formerly Select Team Program)**

There is a recommendation from the Executive Committee to pass this new program proposal. Marypat Bell motioned and Bill Bosgraaf seconded the motion. Motion carried. ( see attached for more information.)

## **Approval of Minutes from 2007 AGM**

Gerhard Mengel motioned and Peter Pinori seconded motion to approve AGM minutes as presented. Motion carried.

## **New Business**

Stephen Flamhaft spoke regarding a USSF rule change proposal that he is submitting for the AGM. He is seeking a non-binding endorsement of support from USASA. His resolution states that the USSF President should be paid an annual salary of \$250,000 and he provided his rationale for this proposal. Werner Fricker spoke in favor of this item. Sal Rapaglia motioned and Peggy Polley seconded that the USSF President should be paid an annual salary of \$250,000. Bruno Trapikas indicated that USASA does not have authority to pass such an item therefore the motion was withdrawn.

Dan Ariail, a new delegate from North Carolina indicated that Park and Recreation Board at the national level is involved with all other sports except soccer. He indicated they tend to be gatekeepers to field availability and share the same mission. He urged the board to consider a partnership with national Parks and Recreation Board. We have already been in dialogue with them. Stephanie Walker is to speak directly with Dan regarding roadblocks at the national level.

Sal Rapaglia voiced his concerns about the Referee of the Year program and requested that the Referee Committee revisit or revise the program eligibility criteria so as not to give the wrong impression.

## **Meeting adjourned**

Meeting adjourned at 11:22am

Respectfully submitted for review and correction,

Valerie Blanchenay  
USASA Secretary