
five people are leaving the board as of this AGM. There will be -- of course, Arthur is leaving.
We are losing two of the athletes. We are losing one of the Pro Council members, and --

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: John, John Collins.

PRESIDENT MOTTA: -- no, and one of the at-large people.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Who is that? PRESIDENT MOTTA: That would be Fabian Nunez. This was his last meeting. UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Is he here this time?

PRESIDENT MOTTA: Yeah, he's here today.

So the board will have quite a bit of turnover in the next year, so have a lot of new faces on the Board of Directors at the Federation level. So I mean, there was some other things that went on, but I'm not going to go all into the details that we heard, but those are some of the highlights, I heard today.

What we will do now is we will go into the elections of the at-large --

MR. FALCONE: Credentials.

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PRESIDENT MOTTA: Okay. Tony has to do a little tweaking on the credentials. So we'll do that before the elections.

MR. FALCONE: So from our previous
meeting with the U.S. Adult Council, we have present the state associations from Regions I, Regions II, Regions III, Regions IV; none of that has changed.

We have present the national affiliates; none of that has changed.

Present, individuals present for this meeting, we have the Adult Council Chair, Mr. John Motta; we have Adult Commissioner, Mr. Tim Busch; Adult Commissioner, Mr. Rob LaVielle.

Among the national regional officers that we have present: Vice-president Arthur Mattson.

Region I, Director Fritz Marth -- let me go back. Vice-president Arthur Mattson, Treasurer Lori Stoneburner, Secretary Shonna Schroedl, Director at-large, Werner Fricker; Director at-large, Cezar Wasecki.

Region I officers, we have Director Fritz Marth, Deputy Director Anthony Falcone, Treasurer John Kahmke.

Region II, we have Director Bill Davey, Deputy Director Nick Radu, Secretary Dyann Pugliese, and Treasurer Wayne Wilson.

From Region III, we have Director Darius Ejlali, Deputy Director Rich Moeller, Secretary Karon Beyer, Treasurer Nick Calabro.

From Region IV, we have Director Paul Scherer, Deputy Director Sergio Bolioli, Secretary, Roy Carlson, Region IV Treasurer Roger Hamilton.

And the Past President that we have present is Gianfranco Borroni.

Is there any individual that I missed?

Okay. That would be the credentials, and the votes will be based on the ballots.

You have two ballots before you. The first ballot has Adult Commissioner ballots. You can vote up to four individuals. You can only place one vote per individual. You can't vote for one individual four times. You're not required to vote for four different individuals. If you just want to vote for one or two individuals, you can do so as well. And the second ballot after that would be among the eight
commissioners who will represent USASA on the Board of Directors, or I mean, Adult Council, and the Board of Directors.

MR. LA VIELLE: There's a question, Tony.

MR. FALCONE: Questions for credentials, or questions for Mr. Motta?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Procedural questions.

MR. FALCONE: All right. Go ahead and ask, and we'll figure out who is going to answer it.

MR. ROONEY: It's Rooney from Connecticut.

I just have a question for Jim, the parliamentarian, right?

MR. HAMILTON: Yes.
MR. ROONEY: Is it appropriate for anybody to be speaking once ballots get passed out? I'm not sure it is.

MR. HAMILTON: Once the ballots are passed out --

MR. ROONEY: Nobody should be speaking. It should be -- once the ballots are passed out, nobody should be speaking, right?

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| 1 | MR. FALCONE: You mean once the |  | conversations.) |
|  | ballots are submitted? Everyone has their | 2 | MR. MATTSON: All right. Can I |
| 3 | ballots in hand. | 3 | entertain a motion to close the nominations? |
|  | MR. ROONEY: I know that. Once | 4 | UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So move. |
|  | they're -- | 5 | MR. MATTSON: Can I get a second? |
| 6 | PRESIDENT MOTTA: Once the voting is | 6 | UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Second. |
|  | on -- | 7 | MS. BEVAN: Hold on. Can I just ask |
| 8 | MR. ROONEY -- once voting is going | 8 | a quick question, excuse my ignorance, because I |
| 9 | on, I'm not sure anybody is supposed to be | 9 | get confused on who's who in the zoo. |
|  | speaking or not. | 10 | MR. MATTSON: That's okay. |
| 11 | PRESIDENT MOTTA: Yeah, you're right. | 11 | MS. BEVAN: Can you just explain a |
| 12 | MR. ROONEY: I just wanted | 12 | little bit more about what the adult commissioner |
| 13 | confirmation of that. | 13 | role is and what those eight members are going to |
| 14 | MR. MATTSON: I don't think it's a | 14 | be, what their function is, because I really |
| 15 | rule, but it's manners. | 15 | don't know, to be honest with you. |
| 16 | (Multiple simultaneous conversations.) | 16 | If you can't answer it, then we're |
| 17 | MR. MATTSON: All right. Just when I | 17 | in trouble. |
|  | thought I was done. So I suppose it's time to | 18 | MR. MATTSON: No, I can answer it. |
| 19 | open up the floor to nominations. | 19 | MS. BEVAN: I just want, like, a |
| 20 | MR. HAGEN: I would like to nominate | 20 | two-second version. |
|  | Tim Busch for the Adult Commissioner. John Hagen | 21 | MR. MATTSON: Okay. You have the |
| 22 | from Washington. | 22 | adult commissioner, which is the member of -- |
| 23 | MR. HAITZ: Chris Haitz, Cal South. | 23 | it's right under -- it's part of the U.S. Soccer |
| 24 | I would like to nominate John Motta. | 24 | four groups. You have the professionals. You |
|  | MR. HAMILTON: Roger Hamilton, | 25 | have the athletes. You have the youth. And you |
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|  | Oregon. I want to nominate Shonna Schroedl. |  | have the adults. Those are the four councils |
| 2 | MR. GROFF: Richard Groff. I would | 2 | that make up U.S. Soccer. And each one of those |
| 3 | like to nominate Bill Bosgraaf. | 3 | councils represents other groups under them. |
| 4 | MR. CULLEN: Daragh Cullen. I would | 4 | We're in the very unique position to only |
| 5 | like to nominate Richard Moeller. | 5 | represent one group. |
| 6 | MR. MATTSON: Any other nominations | 6 | It makes it really confusing. I |
| 7 | for Adult Commissioners? Yes. |  | brought this up in the Adult Commission meeting |
| 8 | MS. STONEBURNER: Can we go through | 8 | yesterday, that a lot of the issues that we |
| 9 | the names? |  | discuss, in fact, I would venture to say all the |
| 10 | MR. MATTSON: Yes. | 10 | issues we discuss, are redundantly discussed here |
| 11 | PRESIDENT MOTTA: They're on the |  | in this meeting too. So I kind of found it, you |
|  | board. | 12 | know, maybe a waste of time and resources to have |
| 13 | MR. MATTSON: Okay. There we go. | 13 | so many Adult Commission meetings, when we're |
|  | Over here to the right, for those who don't have | 14 | going to turn right around and discuss all the |
|  | their glasses on: Tim Busch, John Motta, Shonna | 15 | information here. |
|  | Schroedl, Bill Bosgraaf, and Richard Moeller. | 16 | So essentially, in layman's terms, |
|  | So you can vote for a maximum of |  | we're the same group, and historically, we have |
|  | four. | 18 | had the same representatives. |
| 19 | (Multiple simultaneous | 19 | Now, there's been a couple of |
|  | conversations.) | 20 | changes, you know, as of recent, and, you know -- |
| 21 | PRESIDENT MOTTA: You can't vote -- | 21 | MS. BEVAN: So there is eight total? |
| 22 | MR. MATTSON: You can't vote for the | 22 | MR. MATTSON: There are eight total, |
|  | same person four times. It will count as one |  | yes, so they're staggered terms. Every year, |
|  | vote. Is there any questions? Okay. |  | we'll vote for four more. So there's a total of |
|  | (Multiple simultaneous |  | eight. |

Now, Richard, correct me if I'm wrong, but the representative to the U.S. Soccer Board of Directors does not have to come from the Adult Council, correct?

MR. GROFF: The second member. The first member has to be the chair, of which John is.

MR. MATTSON: The one we're voting on today does not have to come -- and that was a rule that Richard supported.

MR. GROFF: That's how you got elected.

MR. MATTSON: No, I was on the commission, and I got elected. I followed the rules, Richard.

Just kidding. Rich and I, we kid about it all the time. It's okay.

Were there any other questions?
(Multiple simultaneous conversations.)

PRESIDENT MOTTA: While they count these ballots, I'm going to ask Paul Burke, who is the Chairman of the Rules Committee for the United States Soccer Federation, to come up and give us a 15- to 20-minute presentation on the 14
rules for tomorrow's AGM for U.S. Soccer.
So listen attentively to what Paul has to say, and if you have any questions, because some people asked me some questions that were way out in right field, don't be afraid to ask Paul and get clarification on; if you have any concerns on things that you've heard or questions you have yourself, this is the guy to ask before the meeting tomorrow.

So as soon as they collect the ballots and leave the room, I will turn it over to Paul.

MR. FALCONE: Any ballots? Last call, any ballots? Any observers like to come out and watch us count these, you are welcome.
(Vote counters left the room to count the ballots.)

MR. BURKE: All right. Well, thank you. My name is Paul Burke. My current role at the Federation is to serve as the Chairman of the Rules Committee. Can everybody hear me?

But before that, I served as the president of the Utah Youth Soccer Association, so I was a state association president, and I also played on the adult side. Bill Bosgraaf,
after this meeting, will be auctioning off my player pass. I think the current bid is one dead goat, but Bill will let you know.

We have a big package of bylaws for consideration tomorrow. And part of the reason I'm here today is to see if we can make sure you have an understanding of what's going to be on the floor tomorrow, and I will be glad to answer questions in this forum, and given how many people are here, I will be out on, you know, out in the foyer well into the evening tonight, happy to meet with people and to answer questions.

The big picture is that over the last two years, the Federation has done a comprehensive review of its governing documents to try to make sure that the governing documents reflect how the Federation actually operates, and also to address the fact that, you know, we've had years and years of bylaw amendments that have been grafted on top of each other to the point that there's no small number of redundancies, inconsistencies, and the like, in the current bylaws.

If I could get the next slide, please.

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So the Board of Directors
commissioned a comprehensive review of the bylaws. As I mentioned, the purpose was to improve the bylaws, also to make sure that they're in compliance with state and federal laws that have changed over time.

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Over the last two years, the Board of Directors has been actively involved in the process. The board retained outside consultants, outside legal counsel, at the outset, to offer recommendations to the board and an initial set of proposals. Those proposals were then taken to the Rules Committee, and as some of you know, there was an effort last year to try to get these proposals to the National Council meeting, but it was decided to take more time, get more feedback, and another year has been spent working through the packet that is before you tomorrow.

The Rules Committee reported back to the Board of Directors, which has reviewed the proposals on at least three occasions this year. The Board also formed a subcommittee which consisted of John Collins, Greg Fike, from the Federation's legal office, and yours truly, to
work through some specific issues. And ultimately, we reported back to the board and provided a product that the board has now ratified unanimously and is presenting to the National Council tomorrow for passage. Could I have the next slide, please? What we tried to do with these proposals, is we realized that any time you touch a bylaw that it can have a potential impact on governing, so what we tried to do is identify bylaws that would have significant real life, real world changes, and we've tried to flag those. And the first of those will be the first topic tomorrow, which I imagine is near and dear to this group, which is Bylaw 213, which governs the replacement of state associations.

That's a really substantive issue, so that has been pulled out, will be separately discussed tomorrow for consideration at the National Council.

Some other bylaws -- and forgive me for doing this in the microphone -- some other bylaws, we hope are less significant in their real world impact and have been grouped together for consideration and passage tomorrow.

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I have been -- I was asked this morning by the board to chair the meeting tomorrow during this portion of the meeting, and at least for the large packet of what we hope are mainly technical changes, we will, at least, initially ask for initial -- I'm sorry -- we will ask for the consent of the -- unanimous consent of the Council to adopt those, but if there are issues, then we can deal with those if that's not the case.

The next slide, please.
So what I'm going to do now is talk about each of the bylaws that have been separately flagged. The first is the replacement of the state association bylaw, which is 213 . I have listed it here, some of the criticisms -can everyone hear me if I'm just back like this?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKERS: Yes.
MR. BURKE: I am sorry. I am sorry. I don't know why you haven't kicked me off the stage yet, then.

So I have listed here some criticisms of the existing bylaw, and my guess is if we polled this audience that we could create a much longer list.

So we tried to tackle each of these, of the listed criticisms, in preparing what we hope is a down-the-middle proposal to govern this process in the future; if I can go to the next slide.

So the proposed amendment, for example, you know, will allow the secretary general to sort out challenges that are, you know, frivolous or moot so that state associations don't have to invest huge resources in fighting a doomed battle.

The proposal also clearly articulates what the standard of review is to decide whether or not a state association should be in good standing, defines the burdens of proof that a challenger would need to establish, and then, very importantly, I think, it separates the process for challenging versus replacing state associations.

Speaking as someone who has had to serve on a hearing panel in one of these cases, it's really difficult to be simultaneously having arguments about whether the existing state association is in compliance versus whether it should be replaced. So what the existing -- what
the proposal on the floor tomorrow will do is separate those processes, and we'll say, look, we have incumbent state associations, and a certain level of deference is owed to those state associations, and the first thing that will be decided in this process is whether the state associations are in good standing or not. In the event they're not, then the bylaw proposal outlines a procedure for the potential replacement of the state association.

The proposal also has procedural off-ramps for cases that don't really need hearings to allow summary judgment, for example, by a hearing panel, if there's no dispute about the facts in the case. And again, that is a provision that's intended to try to lessen the burden on state associations when facing these challenges.

The procedure also -- tomorrow, the proposal includes, you know, a clear articulation of appeals processes, so that there's due process for all participants in these types of challenges.

So that's -- and finally, I should mention that this bylaw is intended to have a

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|  | companion -- companion policy that will be |  | number of delegates, per number of this category, |
| 2 | adopted by the Board of Directors. And your | 2 | which is really a member at-large is what you are |
| 3 | president, today, was speaking to that at the | 3 | looking at. |
| 4 | Board of Directors meeting and was representing | 4 | MR. BURKE: Well, that is correct |
| 5 | you in his capacity to the board, because | 5 | that there would be some delegates. And I'm |
| 6 | everyone knows how important that particular | 6 | going to ask Greg Fike from the Federation's |
| 7 | position is to your president and to all of you. | 7 | legal department -- |
| 8 | Could I have the next slide, please? | 8 | MR. PACELLI: But my question is, |
| 9 | Okay. So the next bylaw that will be | 9 | it's not clear, in your bylaw changes, you are |
| 10 | addressed on the floor tomorrow is 232, which | 10 | defining this, and you are defining a certain |
|  | addresses the category of individual sustaining | 11 | number of delegates per the number of these kind |
| 12 | members. This is one I hope can be adopted by | 12 | of categories, members across different states. |
| 13 | unanimous consent. What it will do is reinstate | 13 | MR. BURKE: Right. |
|  | a category called individual sustaining members | 14 | MR. PACELLI: But, however, there is |
| 15 | that we expect will be -- will include fan | 15 | nobody in charge of that, so how do those |
| 16 | organizations that would then have a very -- | 16 | delegates get elected as delegates of |
| 17 | would have a voice in the Federation albeit a | 17 | representing this group? |
| 18 | very small one. | 18 | MR. BURKE: This is a good question, |
| 19 | So I'm hoping that this is a proposal | 19 | and Greg will answer it. |
| 20 | that can be adopted by unanimous consent | 20 | PRESIDENT MOTTA: Can they go to the |
| 21 | tomorrow. And if there's anyone who has | 21 | microphone, before they -- Greg -- |
| 22 | questions about this one, I would be happy to | 22 | MR. BURKE: Hey, Greg, can you go to |
| 23 | field them now or tomorrow. | 23 | the microphone, please? |
| 24 | Could I have the next slide, please? | 24 | PRESIDENT MOTTA: What was your name? |
| 25 | Yes, sir? | 25 | MR. PACELLI: Luca, Luca Pacelli with |
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| 1 | MR. SCHERER: By allowing them to | 1 | Cal South. |
| 2 | stay in the organization, are you talking about | 2 | MR. FIKE: Hi, Greg Fike, staff |
| 3 | having other organizations voting the rights in, | 3 | attorney for U.S. Soccer. Thanks for having me |
| 4 | and then where would those voting rights fall | 4 | in. |
| 5 | under, in the organization? | 5 | For this particular category of |
| 6 | MR. BURKE: The voting rights -- we | 6 | membership, individual sustaining members, the |
| 7 | would then have to create a category of | 7 | idea always was that this was the fan club of the |
| 8 | individual sustaining members within the National | 8 | Federation. As you may know, U.S. Soccer has the |
| 9 | Council, and that's something that would then | 9 | supporters club. So essentially that supporters |
| 10 | happen later in the meeting, if this is adopted. | 10 | club, the paid membership, would become |
| 11 | What it would permit is it would | 11 | individual sustaining, but would also be |
| 12 | grant essentially standing for the organizations | 12 | individual sustaining members of the Federation, |
| 13 | to participate in the National Council meeting | 13 | and the idea is that they would have some sort of |
| 14 | and have a very, very, small weighted vote. | 14 | fan council or shareholders meeting in the fall |
| 15 | Yes, sir, I saw another question. | 15 | to select the delegates that they had to |
| 16 | MR. PACELLI: Yes. As to this bylaw | 16 | represent them, the one through, up to six, at a |
| 17 | change, we also have a certain number of | 17 | maximum, delegates. There will either be a |
| 18 | delegates that they're going to have | 18 | policy passed by the Board of Directors or |
| 19 | representation on the -- what is that | 19 | something adopted by the Federation that |
| 20 | organization? Because it's not defined in your | 20 | specifically lays out the procedure for electing |
|  | bylaw changes, going through all the amendments | 21 | those delegates to the Federation National |
| 22 | that you are going to pass or try to pass | 22 | Council meeting. But it's a maximum of six |
|  | tomorrow -- | 23 | delegates, no matter how many it is. So to give |
| 24 | MR. BURKE: To Greg -- |  | you an idea tomorrow, there will be about a |
| 25 | MR. PACELLI: -- is this to a certain | 25 | thousand votes in the meeting, and there will be |

a maximum of six votes.
MR. BURKE: All right. Thank you, Greg.

PRESIDENT MOTTA: Come up to the microphone.

MR. PACELLI: I'm Italian. I think
they can hear me across the room.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No, the court reporter can't hear you.

MR. PACELLI: Oh, sorry.
The definition that you have for this category includes everybody, so it can be players, coaches, administrators, fans, members at-large, and et cetera. So that's almost like double-dipping. You already got other categories representing youth and adults, and so on, and this one kind of overlaps everybody because everybody can be in this category, correct?

MR. BURKE: Well, let me defer to Mr. Fike again, but I think the expectation is that these are paid members of the Federation's fan organization.

MR. FIKE: That's exactly right. We wouldn't want to exclude anybody from having an opportunity to be a supporters club member. So, 26
yes, you may have an overlap where you are part of a state association too, but if you want to be part of the individual sustaining members, you have an opportunity to be part of the fan club and be part of selecting who the delegates are.

Now, obviously, if you represent the people here who are delegates and you represent one of your organizations here at these annual meetings, you couldn't serve as a delegate for the individual sustaining members per our bylaws, but the idea wouldn't be that this would be to exclude anybody, and I don't view the idea of bringing the fans in too, who may not be members of your organization, to have an opportunity to participate in the program as double-dipping even if you guys are fans too and want to be part of the supporters club as well.

MR. BURKE: Okay. Thank you, Greg. Let's move to --

MR. SCHERER: I have one more.
I'm just concerned about the
weighting part of the voting. I'm not sure. You said there was going to be some weighting?

MR. FIKE: Paul mentioned that there would be weighting. There would not be weighted
votes. It would be six individual votes. They would be like the individual organization members. So up to six, and it again depends on the number of people that are actually part of the fan club and where they're located.

MR. BURKE: I'm going to move to the next slide, please, and this is Bylaw 401, which is addressing officers. There are two competing provisions that have been proposed addressing this bylaw. The comprehensive one, adopted by the board and recommended by the board to the National Council, includes the features identified here, you know. The substantive changes are, first, people wishing to run for president or vice-president would need to declare their candidacies in advance, 60 days in advance of the National Council Meeting. That, of course, is a substantive change.

The intention of that is to provide a committee to vet candidates, to make sure that we don't have people with felonies and the like running for national leadership of the organization. But it would have some sort of impact, because it would mean, if adopted, that you couldn't have someone arrive at the AGM and 28
be nominated on the floor and be elected. So that is a substantive change, if adopted.

The proposal also contemplates the establishment of a nominating and governance committee, again, that would be the committee that would be involved in vetting the background of potential candidates for the officer positions within the Federation.

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The issue of term limits is one where there are competing proposals. The board has endorsed a proposal -- and let me back up and say that I think, there's a consensus for term limits, but there's a disagreement about what the term limits should be. Now, the board's proposal -- and the only difference between those two proposals at the end of the day is really whether a person could be elected to three terms as president or three terms as vice-president.

As between the proposals from the board and from Mr. Collins, both of which would allow a person to serve up until 16 years in office as an officer, the difference is the board would allow a three-term limit in any particular office whereas Mr. Collins' position would limit
a person to two terms as president and limit them to two terms as vice-president.

Another notable feature of the proposal at-large is that it allows for a transition period, so that it would not impact the current officers and would allow any -- if either of these proposals is adopted, it would allow the incumbent to run for an additional term.

The thinking there is that the hope is the National Council will focus on what is the best policy for the Federation in the long term and, hopefully, not have this become a proxy for or a referendum at this moment on any particular individual.

Go to the next slide, please.
Bylaw 413 addresses the Board of Directors. The changes in this proposal, again, would allow, would require candidates to be board members to be vetted. It would limit them to 16 years of service with a carveout that time spent by an athlete or an individual as an officer would not count against this 16 -year period. There would also be changes to the procedures for independent board members.

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And then, finally, I want to give a preview that there's -- in the packet that was distributed to you all, there's an inconsistency about the past president position. In one place in the packet, it provides for a term limit of six years for past president, whereas in another place in the proposal, it says that the past president would serve until a replacement or until a successor comes down the road.

The board, this morning, has asked that these two be made consistent and made consistent by favoring the six-year term limitation. So based on the board being the sponsor of this proposal, it will hit the floor with that change already made for tomorrow's meeting.

Next slide, please.
So, again the last thing that we have is a big packet, and I'm going to go through some of the things in the big packet, but there's the set of bylaw proposals, there are changes to virtually every section of our existing bylaws, and the hope is that this last section are mostly technical, housekeeping, updating things that, you know, would not be of greater substantive
concern.
If there are substantive concerns, you know, then we can address those individually tomorrow, but I hope everyone in this room will have the goal of getting the larger packet done so that the Federation can make progress and have an updated set of bylaws at the end of the day.

And again, the board has unanimously endorsed this -- my apologies for the additional noise -- the board has unanimously endorsed this package, and it's been through a number of committees and received feedback across the Federation.

I'm also remiss that at the beginning of this, I didn't begin by acknowledging the members of the Adult Council who serve on the Rules Committee who have helped shepherd these proposals: Dan Trainor from Arizona served for quite a number of years on the Rules Committee, and Karissa Richardson from Minnesota joined us this year.

And I should say in addition to these proposals coming unanimously from the Board of Directors, they've also come unanimously from the Rules Committee.

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Next slide, please. I have a long laundry list of things that are tweaked, changed. There may be differing opinions about whether they are substantive, how substantive they are, but we've tried to fairly identify them, so that you will know what the National Council is being asked to do tomorrow.

I, as the Rules Chair, don't have a dog in any fight here, but the goal at the end of the day is to have better governing documents for the organization.

Could I have the next slide? And we'll just -- if there are any questions about any of these particular ones, that might be a better way to address some of these.

I will say, if you will go to the next slide, I will give you an example of one sort of redundancy that was discovered in the bylaws as we went through this process.

Historically, the Federation held its Annual General Meetings in the summer, and so the provision allowing for the -- or defining when bylaw changes took effect set the effective date in the fall.

Well, for many years now, we have had
the AGMs in the first quarter of the year, but that particular bylaw still has the effective date in the fall. So one of the technical changes -- and it's probably the very last one on the list -- is to move up that effective date. Since we now hold the Annual General Meetings in the first quarter, we want to have the effective date be sooner.

So the very first thing tomorrow, after I go through this presentation for the entire council, is I will ask you for a unanimous consent for the changes made tomorrow to take effect as provided here, you know, after the first quarter of this year.

Are there any questions about this section?

Yes, sir.
MR. GRIFFITH: Hi, I'm Greg Griffith from Georgia.

One of the changes is a change
from -- the Federation can audit state associations once every four years to the Federation can audit a state association whenever it chooses. That could put undue stress on, you know, if we're audited every year by the

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Federation. So I am just wondering why, reasonably, every other year, every three years --

MR. BURKE: I think one of the motivations here -- and I will ask Mr. Fike to address this one as well -- but I think one of the motivations was that the current language suggested that an audit would happen, that it will happen, and I would imagine that not many people, not many of the associations in this room have actually been audited. So the intention there was to allow the Federation to conduct audits when necessary, but not to mandate them and not have them happen.

Is there anything -- is that the explanation? Thank you.

MR. WEISS: All right. I'm Andy
Weiss from Massachusetts.
Contained in that large section was changes to 531 and 532 , which effectively made state referee -- I'm sorry -- referee registrations not be required to go through the state anymore.

And that seems a lot, very far away from just general housekeeping. That's a very
substantive change. So I'm wondering why it's in that section as a lump.

MR. BURKE: I think the expectation is that the referee governance issues are going to be moved into policy by the Federation. So I don't know that any substantive change is contemplated that way, but just where the classification bylaw versus policy is what this is intended to address.

MR. WEISS: So further discussion comes tomorrow, is that the idea?

MR. BURKE: Yes. And if you have an issue about this particular one, again, I don't have an agenda, other than to try to help facilitate the discussion tomorrow.

So if this is an example of one thing in this larger packet that needs more discussion or needs to be "re-thunk" or needs to be, you know, sent back to the drawing board, what I would ask is that you ask the chair tomorrow to pull that section out, and we'll ask to proceed with the rest, and then deal with that type of perdition, because I will not be shocked if -there will undoubtedly be things in this packet that could be done better. There are undoubtedly
things that will need to be amended in future years, but my pitch now and tomorrow will be not to let the perfect be the enemy of the good, because we're trying to make, and we're hoping that the Federation will make some progress in updating its bylaws overall tomorrow.

Are there any other questions?
If not, I will try to be available to anyone later today. I'm happy to address any other questions, and I appreciate the opportunity to address you. So thank you.
(Applause.)
PRESIDENT MOTTA: Do we have the other results? No?
(Pause in proceedings while the body waited for election results.)

PRESIDENT MOTTA: Following the results of the four commissioners, we will immediately vote on the representative to the U.S. Soccer Board of Directors. They're still counting?
(Pause in proceedings continued while awaiting results.)

PRESIDENT MOTTA: Can I have everybody's attention, please? Since we are on a
very tight schedule here, and the Youth are out there banging on the doors to come in, can everybody please take all your trash and plates and kind of leave it cleaned up for the Youth when they come in, so, because I don't think they gave us any time in between the two meetings, so this was supposed to end at three; they're supposed to begin at three. So please be -- What is that?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Voting ballots.

PRESIDENT MOTTA: And your voting ballots and your cards, bring them all out with you so ...
(Continued pause in proceedings awaiting election results.)

PRESIDENT MOTTA: Excuse me, everyone. I know our time is just about up, but we still have one more election to do.

So the Youth that are dying to start their meeting, if you would give us five or ten more minutes, we would appreciate it.
(Pause in proceedings continued.)
PRESIDENT MOTTA: What we will do when we get the results, we will take the vote here. We'll
vacate, and we'll announce the votes outside.
UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: All Right. Thank you.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: What about the other --

PRESIDENT MOTTA: I just said, we'll do the vote, and then we'll vacate, and we'll make the announcement outside and adjourn the meeting outside.
(Continued pause in proceedings awaiting election results.)

MR. MATTSON: Okay, folks, we're about to announce the ... Okay. In no specific order, the four adult commissioners who are going to be serving a two-year term: Tim Busch, John Motta, Richard Moeller, and Shonna Schroedl.
(Applause.)
PRESIDENT MOTTA: Okay. To move on quickly. We have nominations for representative of the Adult Council to the U.S. Soccer Board of Directors.

MR. LAVIELLE: Thank you, John. Rob LaVielle, Florida, Adult Commissioner.

I would like to nominate Richard Moeller for the position of our representation to
the U.S. Soccer Board of Directors.
I think Richard has got some big footsteps to follow, possibly, if he is elected behind Arthur, but I think it's very important that an executive officer is there, and that person should be Richard Moeller and representing us on the U.S. Soccer Board of Directors.

PRESIDENT MOTTA: All right. Thank you.

MR. HAMILTON: Roger Hamilton, Oregon again, and again, I want to nominate Shonna Schroedl.

PRESIDENT MOTTA: Thank you.
Now this is what we're going to do. We're going to vote here, and as soon as we vote and the Credentials Committee collects the votes, we're going to vacate the room, wait outside for the results from the Credentials Committee, and then we'll adjourn the meeting.

Okay. So, everybody, so go ahead and vote.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: John you need to close the nominations.

PRESIDENT MOTTA: All right. I'm sorry. Close the nominations and vote.
(Votes being cast.)
PRESIDENT MOTTA: Everyone, if you can return your packets of the "yes" and "no" cards back to Jen or Nick at the far table or any of the paperwork, the envelopes, and please clean up after yourself. Don't be disrespectful to our Youth counterparts. Keep the place clean when we leave.
(The meeting reconvened at 3:42 outside the meeting room for the results.)

PRESIDENT MOTTA: All right.
Everybody that's still here, the Adult Council members, please come to this area.
(Members gathering.)
PRESIDENT MOTTA: All right. I think this is what we got left. So the results are in and congratulations again to Richard Moeller for representing us on the board.

Now, I need a motion to adjourn the meeting.

MR. MARES?: Motion to adjourn.
PRESIDENT MOTTA: Okay, a motion to adjourn. The meeting is adjourned. Thank you
(Adjourned at 3:43 p.m.)

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