



United States Adult Soccer Association Region I

USASA Region 1 Annual General Meeting
Wailea Beach Marriott Resort
Wailea, Hawaii - 3 March 2017

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:10.

Preliminary Matters/Agenda

- Regional Director Fritz Marth started the Region I AGM meeting with a moment of silence for members of our Region I family lost since the MYM.
- AGM Agenda accepted.

Roll Call & Credentials

Roll call was taken and credentials presented:

State Associations

CT	4
DE	1
ENY	4
EPA	4
MD	3
MA	5
MDCVA	5
NH	1
NJ	4
PAW	3
RI	2
VT (present for elections)	2
WNY	4
WV	<u>2</u>
Subtotal	44

Total General Votes	50
Total Election Votes	46

Regional Leagues

EDP	2
USL-PDL (not present)	<u>-</u>
Subtotal	2

Officers

Director (Fritz Marth)	1
Deputy Director (Tony Falcone)	1
Treasurer (John Kahmke)	1
Secretary (Scott Mapes)	<u>1</u>
Subtotal	4

Approval of Region I Mid-Year Meeting Minutes - 30 September 2016

The minutes were approved as presented.

Officers' & Committee Reports

- Secretary - Scott Mapes, Region Secretary. No report.
- Treasurer - John Kahmke, Region Treasurer. Financial report was given. Andy Weiss (MA) made a motion to amend budget to add \$2,000 for Referee assessor costs for the regional cup rounds. A discussion took place. The amendment was approved.
- Director - Fritz Marth. No report.
- Reg. Director - Tony Falcone. Gave update on NBOD process.
- Referee Committee - Andy Weiss (Regional Referee Administrator) reported on the Region I training events.

Unfinished or Ongoing Business

- National Amateur Cups - Fritz Marth. No changes to 2018 cups USASA will keep the same format with all entries administratively handled online and there will be prize money in lieu of travel subsidy as follows: \$15,000 for the winner, \$10,000 for second place, \$7,500 for third place; and \$5,000 for fourth place. A discussion followed. Gus Xikis (Cup Director) gave additional updates on the draw and teams entered.
- Werner Fricker Cup and O-30 Cups - Gus Xikis gave an update on entries. Tony Falcone reviewed the schedule for the regional cup rounds.
- U-23 Cups - Fritz Marth. USASA is considering a national U-23 tournament starting in 2018.
- Soccer Fest - National Championships (formerly known as Veteran's Cup) – Cesar Waseki (NBOD Member-at-Large). In 2017 the Soccer Fest will be held in Nashville (Murfreesboro), TN facility has 15 grass fields. In 2018 the Soccer Fest will be in Bellingham, WA.
- Region 1 Indoor Tournament - Cesar Waseki. Still pursuing a North/South regional format. Champions of the sub-regionals to meet for a championship. The northern sub-regional (New England) is on but no traction yet in the south. South needs a coordinator. Bill George (MD) and Bohdan Porytko (EDP) both expressed their interest to help coordinate the southern sub-regional event and will work with Cesar.
- Change of USASA AGM Cycle - Tony Falcone spoke about the changes whereby starting 2018 the USASA AGM would be held in the fall, with only a regular USASA National Council meeting and regional meetings held at the USSF AGM in the winter. Discussion took place on how this change would impact conducting regional and USASA National Council meetings and business. USASA's MYM in the fall of 2017 will be held in Lake Tahoe, NV. USSF is considering changing its AGM to the summer. The 2018 USSF AGM is still set winter and will be held in Orlando, FL.

New Business

- Elections
 - Treasurer: John Kahmke (WNY) was in nomination. Hearing no other nomination John Kahmke was re-elected by acclamation.

- Deputy Director: Tony Falcone (MD) was in nomination. Andy Weiss (MA) was nominated from the floor by Jim Sadowski (MDC/VA). Tony Falcone was re-elected.
- A motion was made to destroy the ballots. The motion passed and the ballots were destroyed.
- Regional & National Leagues Discussion
 - Fritz Marth advised the region that regional leagues must secure state association and regional council approval for the state associations and regions they intend to operate in.
 - The status of ASL was discussed and it was noted that they have not paid their current USASA affiliation fees.
- USASA Bylaw Proposals - Tony Falcone and Fritz Marth discussed the significance and repercussions of changing bylaws to policies. Specifically bylaws are rules that afford membership input and vote, whereas policies are often not well defined and get adopted and implemented outside of the control of the general membership. Richard Groff pointed out the Governance Committee never proposed the change to Bylaw 402, which is being presented to the National Council.
- Hall of Fame - Fritz Marth advised the region that HOF Nominations are due April 15th.

Guests

- Andy Gregory of DesChamps & Gregory (with Lou from K&K Insurance) informed the Region that Tom Hayes of DesChamps & Gregory has retired. USASA's insurance contact at DesChamps & Gregory is now Andy Gregory. Andy's direct number is 941-748-1812. Discussion ensued regarding securing valid waivers annually to help protect organizational members. Tony Falcone requested waiver guidance be given to organizational members.
- Shonna Schroedl (OR; USASA Secretary) announced she is running for USASA Vice President, Adult Council Commissioner and Adult Council (effectively USASA's) representative on USSF Board.
- Bill Bosgraaf (UT) announced he is running for Adult Council Commissioner.
- Richard Moeller (FL; Region III Deputy Director) announced he is running for USASA VP, Adult Council Commissioner and USASA Representative to USSF Board.

Good of the Game

- Fritz Marth encourages all to step up and voice any concerns at the Adult Council meetings.
- Peter Pinori (ENY) asked that the region please support Werner Fricker running for USASA NBOD Member-at-Large.
- John Zangrilli (NJ) asked how USASA was progressing on the concerns brought-up at the Phoenix, AZ summit.
- Richard Groff (DE) announced he is not going to run for Adult Commissioner at the next election and encourages someone from Region 1 to do so.
- Pat Varsallona (NJ) - Raised the matter of FIFA ID by 2018 as issued by USSF, whereby all registered players will be given a unique universal lifetime player ID.

- Tony Falcone announced that Werner Fricker was inducted in the Eastern Pennsylvania Soccer Hall of Fame and that Anna Steffan will be inducted in the Maryland Soccer Hall of Fame.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30.

Scott Mapes
Secretary
USASA Region I