



United States Adult Soccer Association Region I

**2023 Region I Annual General Meeting
Hyatt Regency, Bonita Springs, FL
23 September 2023**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:05 a.m. ET.

Regional Director Tony Falcone welcomed everyone and thanked all for joining. Moment of Silence for members lost in the past year: Jack Testani (O-50 Cup named in his honor), Mike Maloney (NM), Guido Bozzoni (NJ SRA) and Gino DePolito (ENY referee). Prayers & thoughts for Keith Renner in VA Hospital post-surgery and Dave Laraba recovering from a slip and fall.

Guests: US Soccer President Cindy Parlow-Cone introduced staff Michael Lazar & Molly Dwyer. Cindy was asked about USASA members access to US National Team Tickets. USASA NBOD: John Motta, Karon Beyer, Lori Stoneburner & Chaz Ballish Regueiro. Mike Cullina, Chair of US Referee Committee, was asked about the referee crisis. USASA Exec. Dir. Bruce Bode discussed USASA Staffing plans.

1. Roll Call & Credentials - Credentials Chairman Peter Pinori (ENY) - Secretary Scott Mapes called the roll:

State Association	Votes	Comments
Connecticut	4	Present
Delaware	1	Present
Eastern New York	4	Present
Eastern Pennsylvania	4	Present
Maryland	(3)	Present but not voting
Massachusetts	5	Present
Metro DC/Virginia	5	Present
New Hampshire	(1)	Not Present
New Jersey	3	Present
Pennsylvania - West	3	Present
Rhode Island	1	Present
Vermont	(1)	Present but not voting
West Virginia	1	Present
Western New York	4	Present
Subtotal	35	Votes present for elections & general business

Regional Officers		
Director Anthony Falcone	1	Present

Dep. Director Mary Beth Falk	1	Present
Secretary Scott Mapes	1	Present
Treasurer (vacant)	0	
Subtotal	3	Votes Present
TOTAL VOTES	38	Votes Present for general business

2. Approval of Region I 2023 Winter Meeting Minutes (17 March 2023) - minutes are approved as presented. Posted on the Region web site. Unanimous consent.

3. Treasurer's Report - Region I Treasurer Bill George had resigned, thus the report was provided by the Region Director which included a recap of the Asset/Account Statement and Profits/Loss reports 2023. Copies of the report were emailed previously to the members. USASA will perform annual audit of the Financials.

4. Director's Report - Tony Falcone

New Member - The NBOD gave provisional membership to Maine as a Region state association.

Awards - The Livio D'Arpino Award will be presented to Jim Bollinger (EPA) soon as he was unable to attend the meeting. Olympiacos NY was presented the 2022 Rocco Amoroso Fair Play Award at the LISFL annual meeting. Tony will ask members for nominations for the award for 2023.

Cups - Tony gave an Amateur Cup update and team registration on USASA platform. Discussion ensued on how the Amateur Cup is run as a national Cup and how its funded. Region will expand the Amateur qualifiers to 16 teams, 4 rounds starting early April. The four Region Directors are looking at hosting national O-30 & O-40 finals in Murfreesboro, TN in August.

5. Reports of other Officers & Committees

- **No officer reports for the meeting**
- **Cups** -Region I Champions
 - Amateur Cup: Newtown Pride FC (CT)
 - Werner Fricker Cup: Lansdowne Yonkers FC (ENY)
 - Gerhard Mengel Cup: NY Greek American (ENY)
 - Region I Over-40 Cup - Christos FC (MD)
 - Region I Over-50 Cup: Philly Bucks (EPA)
 - Region I Women's Championship - Rochester Lazars (WNY)
 - Region I Under-23 Championship - Westchester United (EPA)
- National Finals
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- SoccerFest - Mary Beth reported on SoccerFest 2023, its 25th anniversary. Player registration process this year had players first go to their state association. Cezar

informed everyone that the 2023 event will return to Greensboro, NC, on 10-14 July 2024. A co-ed division will be added in 2024.

- Other Committees - Vince Treglia gave an update on Budget Committee while Jim Sadowski did the same for the Governance Committee.

6. Unfinished Business

None

7. New Business

- Approval of Budget. Motion to Approve made by Peter P. - ENY with Dan R. - CT seconding the motion. No objections, motion approved.

8. Elections

- Deputy Director - Mary Beth Falk re-elected on hearing no other nomination by acclamation.
- Treasurer -Vince Treglia nominated and upon hearing no other nomination was elected by acclamation

9. Guest Speakers

- Representatives from Beer City Cup made a presentation they are in their 13th year and are as of 2023 a USASA Affiliate Member. Mike Hill WPA asked how they handle player registration - the leave that aspect up to the state association of affiliated leagues to handle. BCC is an 8 v 8 competition. Men and Women and Co-ed.
- Nathan Goldberg - announced he will run for US Soccer VP at next AGM.

Good of the Game

- Scott Mapes - VT VSSA announced inaugural adult Twin State game was played with NH in July as a double header with USL D2 game with VT Green, FC. The Rusty Cup, named in memory of Rusty Wightman long time NH administrator, was won by NH.
- Peter Pinori - ENY support for Region members at USASA elections.
- Richard Groff - Thanked the Region for 35 years!
- Aaron Wood - WV started a program to pay for referee certification class. Told us that Dave Laraba was celebrating birthday today
- Mike Schechter (CT) was celebrating his birthday today.
- Vinny Treglia - Advised states request their D&O premium reimbursement from USASA.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45.

Scott Mapes
Secretary
USASA Region I