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**UNITED STATES ADULT SOCCER ASSOCIATION  
ADULT COUNCIL MEETING**

HYATT REGENCY COCONUT POINT  
Calusa Conference Center  
Bonita Springs, Florida

September 23rd, 2023  
2:45 p.m. - 2:55 p.m.

Reported by: Rebecca L. DiBello, CSR(NY)

1                   PRESIDENT MOTTA: Let us call the  
2 meeting of the Adult Council to order. Do you  
3 have a comment?

4                   MR. EDWARDS: If I'm correct, we  
5 demanded a ninth adult commissioner and we are  
6 going to elect to fulfill that position today?

7                   PRESIDENT MOTTA: Only if we get  
8 permission from this body.

9                   MR. EDWARDS: And if I'm also correct,  
10 the U.S. Specialty Sports Association is a  
11 member of the Adult Council?

12                   PRESIDENT MOTTA: They are.

13                   MR. EDWARDS: Are they here today so  
14 they have a chance to run a candidate?

15                   PRESIDENT MOTTA: They're not here, but  
16 the candidate is not specific to them, Mike.  
17 It could be anyone.

18                   MR. EDWARDS: No. Come on. In all  
19 equity and sense of fair play, you've got a  
20 member of this Council who is not here and  
21 you're going to have an election to elect  
22 someone to represent him? Come on.

23                   PRESIDENT MOTTA: We're not electing a

1 member of their body. It could be a member --

2 MR. EDWARDS: That's precisely my point.

3 PRESIDENT MOTTA: What is the issue?

4 MR. EDWARDS: Shouldn't we have this  
5 meeting at the AGM where --

6 PRESIDENT MOTTA: We're going to let  
7 them decide. I'm going to ask for a  
8 suspension of the rules so that we can -- so  
9 I'm going to ask -- I think Mike knows what  
10 suspension of the rules are.

11 MR. EDWARDS: Mike also knows what fair  
12 play is.

13 PRESIDENT MOTTA: Okay. So this meeting  
14 is a special meeting and we did make a mistake  
15 by not giving you guys notice of this meeting,  
16 so thus we would need 90 percent of you to  
17 suspend the rules to allow us to hold business  
18 during this meeting.

19 If we get to 90 percent -- go ahead.

20 MR. BALLISH: Chaz Ballish. Actually,  
21 there was notice for this meeting in the adult  
22 bylaws. It specifically says the midyear  
23 meeting for the adults is at the AGM of the

1 largest member, so proper notice was given.

2 However, what we need is elections must  
3 happen at the AGM, so we need to suspend the  
4 rules. If we choose to suspend the rules we  
5 can have an election today. If we don't  
6 choose we still have every right to have this  
7 meeting, but we can't have the election unless  
8 you all vote to suspend the rules.

9 PRESIDENT MOTTA: Chaz is right. So you  
10 have a question?

11 MR. EDWARDS: John, the bylaw that I  
12 wrote that got the highest vote total at the  
13 AGM put elections at this event. That was the  
14 point, to align --

15 PRESIDENT MOTTA: It gave us the option.

16 MR. EDWARDS: Of course.

17 PRESIDENT MOTTA: So the commissioners  
18 of the Adult Council voted to keep it at the  
19 U.S. Soccer AGM.

20 MR. EDWARDS: I have no issue with that.  
21 I want to make sure that we have it correct  
22 that the bylaws do specifically say to lineup  
23 with the meeting at the choice of the Council.

1           PRESIDENT MOTTA: We talked about that,  
2           yes. So in order for us to hold elections  
3           today we need 90 percent of this body to vote  
4           to let us do that. If you don't there will  
5           not be an election here today. It would be  
6           held in the AGM in February.

7           So that's what we're going to be asking  
8           for. Who is not in favor of suspending the  
9           rules? That's the easiest way to go. Not in  
10          favor of suspending the rules so we can have  
11          the election today.

12          Okay. Who is in favor of suspending the  
13          rules? It's the same thing, but in favor.

14          MR. COHEN: Sam Cohen, North Carolina.  
15          Just as a clarification, they were all noticed  
16          that there would be a meeting today. Were  
17          they on notice, the other organizational  
18          entities on notice that there would be an  
19          election coming forward for the suspension?

20          PRESIDENT MOTTA: Yes.

21          MR. COHEN: They were aware this would  
22          be happening?

23          PRESIDENT MOTTA: Yes. They chose not

1 to be here.

2 So everyone in favor of suspending the  
3 rules to continue with business say aye.

4 AUDIENCE: Aye.

5 PRESIDENT MOTTA: Anybody opposed? I  
6 think we have the 90 percent. I'll rule from  
7 the chair. I'll rule from the chair. I think  
8 it's 90 percent.

9 All right. Let's do a hand count.  
10 Those not in favor put your hands up. Well,  
11 we don't have 90 percent.

12 It's the same credentials report we use  
13 for USASA.

14 (Cross-talking.)

15 MR. FALCONE: Tony Falcone. Region I  
16 Director, Maryland delegate. You're looking  
17 to put one person on this Council. What is  
18 the urgency at this point and why not wait  
19 until February when we have everybody here?

20 PRESIDENT MOTTA: Well, based on the  
21 vote, we didn't get the 90 percent anyway.

22 So okay. Since we do not have the  
23 90 percent to conduct our business, the only

1 other thing on here is adjournment.

2 Motion to adjourn?

3 UNIDENTIFIED PERSON: So moved.

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5 **(Meeting adjourned.)**

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transcript of the proceedings had.

In witness hereof, I have hereunto set  
my hand this 16th day of October, 2023.



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