

United States Adult Soccer Association Region I

2024 Winter Meeting Hilton Anatole, Dallas, Texas 9 February 2024

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

Regional Director Tony Falcone welcomed everyone and thanked all for joining. A Moment of Silence was taken for members lost in the past year: Rocco Zangrilli (John's brother) and longtime USASA member Bill Bosgraaf, President of Utah Soccer Association. Tony introduced new members: John Morgan (Chairman, ME), Clem Madden (President, NH) and Michael Tata (President, WNY).

Tony congratulated Dave Laraba (WV) for induction into the USYSA Hall of Fame. He is member of the Hall of Fames of WV & USASA along as recipient of the Region Livio D'Arpino Award. Dave announced that Len Rogers was retiring from WV after 21 years of service.

Guests: Bruce Bode, USASA Executive Director, Nathan Goldberg candidate for US Soccer VP & Chaz Ballish Regueiro.

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

State Association	Votes	Comments
Connecticut	4	Present
Delaware	(1)	Not Present
Eastern New York	4	Present
Eastern Pennsylvania	4	Present
Maine	1	Present
Maryland	3	Present
Massachusetts	6	Present
Metro DC/Virginia	5	Present
New Hampshire	1	Present
New Jersey	3	Present
Pennsylvania - West	3	Present
Rhode Island	1	Present
Vermont	1	Present
West Virginia	1	Present
Western New York	4	Present
Subtotal	41	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 but voting as Vermont
Treasurer Vincent Treglia	1	Present
Subtotal	3	Votes Present
TOTAL VOTES	44	Votes Present for general business

2. Approval of Region I 2023 Annual General Meeting Minutes (23 September 2023) - The minutes approved as presented by unanimous consent. Minutes already posted on Region web site.

3. Treasurer's Report - Region I Treasurer Vincent Treglia: Noted no major changes to budget and accounts since we last met in September 2023. Regarding Regional Cups, only change is the entry fees for cups as requested which will be \$200/Team per team entered. Women's Tournament - weekend \$300/team. Deadline to enter late April-May online registration. Peter P. R1 noted the region does not collect any money other than entrance fees.

4. Director's Report - Tony Falcone - brief report informing the Region of a Defibrillator subsidy program from USASA.

5. Reports of other Officers & Committees

- **Deputy Director, Mary Beth Falk** Gave an update pushing for an increase in Co-ed team participation at Soccer Fest.
- Secretary, Scott Mapes no report.
- **Cups** Peter P. (ENY) gave a cup committee report. Reviewed entrants for all competitions. NPSL will be participating in 2024. EPA 16 entries, ENY 14 entries. R1 plans for an open registration for Women's Tournament.
 - Extra time for the National Amateur Cup Region qualifiers: Bill Marth (EPSL) made a motion to add extra time for the Amateur Cup (30 minutes) to determine a winner prior to going to PK's. Motion passes.
- SoccerFest Cezar W. (MA) gave update. Returning to Greensboro, NC, 10-14 July. O-30 and Co-ed (11 v 11) are to be added. Elaine Freedman is the Co-ed team point person. Last year's tournament collected and donated \$2,000 to Fighting Breast Cancer.
- AED program Cezar introduced new program whereby USASA will subsidize \$250 towards the cost of a defibrillator. Available to Teams, Leagues and/or Facilities. Vendor selected (see the attached information on purchasing). Members are encouraged to match the subsidy. A US Soccer ITG grant will be pursued.

- Sport Lomo registration platform Exec Dir Bruce B. gave an update. The platform is near into operation and looking to roll out at state level not league level. Bruce also announced USASA has hired two new staff and that Pierre has departed.
- USASA Committee Reports following members reported from their respective committees
 - Dave L. (WVA) USASA Appeals Committee. Gave a brief overview of the appeals committee caseload and urged all to SA in their bylaws to comply with USASA Bylaw 701 assuring proper due process.
 - George Vergara Region Referee Administrator gave an update on referee programs. Asks all SA's to send referees to our R1 events.

6. Unfinished Business

None

7. New Business -

None

8. Guest Speakers/Announcements:

- Nathan Goldberg candidate for US Soccer VP gave a brief request for voting support in the upcoming election.
- Chaz Ballish Regueiro chair of USSF Membership Advisory Committee. Spoke about the MAC's work and efforts on USSF.

9. Good of the Game

- Scott M. VT VSSA announced adult Twin State game versus NH will be played in NH in 2024 and will be expanded to include a Co-ed match.
- Tony F. Announced MD will host its 100th celebration August 10th.
- Bill Marth requests a zoom call to discuss UPSL matters.
- Vincent T. (ENY) announced hosting a coaching course geared for the adult side coaches. In order to qualify to attend in August 2024 must have a USSF B License.

The meeting adjourned at 10:38 am CT.

Scott Mapes Secretary USASA Region I

NOTE: Upon conclusion of the meeting, the Cup Committee held the cup draws.