

USASA National Board of Directors (NBOD) Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, October 10, 2024

Time: 8:00 PM EST

Location: Zoom

Approved November 12, 2024

1. Call to Order

- **Chair:** Jim Sadowski, USASA President
- **Time:** 8:02pm ET

2. Welcome and Acknowledgement of Guests

- **Welcome remarks** by President Jim Sadowski
Thanks to Richard, John Motta and Mike Edwards for

3. Roll Call

- **Conducted by:** Karon Beyer, Secretary
- **Board Members Present:**
Jim Sadowski
Fritz Marth
Karon Beyer
Cezar Wasecki
Karissa Richardson
Otey Smithson
Robin Runstein
MaryBeth Falk
Kendra Halterman
Bruce Bode
Brett Hurwitz – joined late
- **Board Members Absent:**
Lori Stoneburner
- **Guests**
Jen Sunderland
Richard Groff
John Motta
Michael Hill
Jeanne Smith
Tim Busch
Richard Moeller
Dan Trainor
Tom Moore
Andy Marion
Amber Klimek

Jim announced that we have a quorum.

4. Approval of the Proposed Meeting Agenda (October 10, 2024)

Item 8A will be tabled – item part of Collective report.

- Motion to approve the agenda by Jim Sadowski.
No objection – Agenda approved.

5. Approval of the September 2024 NBOD Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve the minutes – Jim Sadowski
No objections to approve minutes. Minutes approved.

6. Officer's Reports

A. President's Report – Jim Sadowski

1. **Thanks for support and outreach:** Thanked past presidents for help.

2. **Plan to fill the vacant At Large Position:**

Open to full membership – announce vacancy

MOTION - to have a special election in February at US Soccer AGM.

Robin Runstein, Cezar Wasecki, second

Vote – motion carries unanimous

3. **Plan for 2024–25 Committee Appointments:**

One committee needs to be appointed right away – national cups chair.

Received recommendation. Would like to open to full membership.

Regional Directors – nominations

Open period for full membership to apply.

List of committees that need to be appointed.

National Cups

Governance

Credentials

Rules

Vets Cup

Finance Budget

Appeals

Referee

Hall of Fame

Technology

Social Media

Marketing

Nat. Cup short turnaround 10 days.

All others end of month.

4. Plan for future NBOD board meetings:

a. Timing of board packets

Discussion with Bruce – packets to NBOD 4 days ahead of next meeting.

NBOD needs to get to Bruce 2 days before that.

b. Zoom recording and AI meeting summary

c. Staff member to draft minutes

d. Announcement of major decisions

Next business day after meeting. Bruce puts together major actions and send out to membership.

5. Immediate concerns:

a. Authority to transfer funds:

Proposal to allow Lori to move funds without board approval.

Set up small group meeting to move money from accounts.

No objections

b. National Cups Fees and Policies:

Need to fill chair position right away.

Schedule meeting next week to get stakeholders together with current committee members to go over outstanding items/questions.

Next week have appointment of committee.

Would like to attend: Fritz, Karon, Otey, Robin, Cezar, and Karissa.

c. Scheduling one-on-one membership meetings:

starting to schedule 1:1 meeting to members to pick time that works. Calls during business hours.

6. Open questions from the floor/guests:

Quarterly meetings with the members.

Tom Moore – Very important to better connect board with membership by opening comments.

B. Vice President's Report – Fritz Marth

Nothing new to report.

C. Executive Director's Report – Bruce Bode

1. **Registration report update** sent through August. On track – 108,000 end of August. Number of member organizations have not sent in registration reports yet. Will contact after end of September.
2. **Membership/State/Player Registration update:** [Summary]

Update on Collective Global – about 70% complete on entire items for engagement.

Report following workshops at AGM – end of October. Include survey/interviews.

Board – 2 more virtual meetings.

Staff – ongoing meetings virtual. Last week and next week.

Complete report – strategic plan and roadmap by US Soccer AGM.

All payments completed on this engagement. Expenses with AGM will need to be paid still.

Registration system – SportLomo. Moving forward with them.

D. Financial Report – Lori Stoneburner – Not able to make it tonight.

7. Committee/Task Force Reports & Updates

No Committee Chairs wishing to give any reports or updates.

8. Unfinished Business

A. Membership Registration Proposal – Fritz Marth – no action pending; to be incorporated into strategic plan

B. NBOD Subcommittee updates on draft Policies from the Governance Committee

- **Discussion:**

Update on process – 2 suggestions.

Sub committees to finish in next two weeks.

Karon – need updated entire version of policies to be sent.

Discuss next meeting.

Objective to finish by next board meeting.

Agreed by committee.

9. New Business

A. Budget Amendment – Additional Regional Support to Donations for hurricane relief.

MOTION - to amend the budget to move funds of \$2500 for 2024 to donations from regional expenses.

Bruce Bode; Karon Beyer, second
Voice vote – no objections.

B. Other New Business

Best meeting dates moving forward –
Next meeting Tuesday, November 12 due to elections.

Continue 1st Tuesday of every month going forward.

Meeting called to end. 8:55 PM ET.

Minutes prepared by:
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