ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF UNITED STATES ADULT SOCCER ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

September 28, 2024

Frisco, Texas

Call to Order at 12:40pm

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

179 votes present.

Credentials Report

91 entities for 179 total votes of 207; A simple majority is 90 votes, two-thirds is 119.

MOTION to accept the Credentials Report was made and seconded.

Motion was passed on a voice vote.

2024 USASA Highlight Video shown

Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Paul Scherer and seconded – to table Item No. 8, Approval of Policy Actions by the board of directors.

Motion was passed on a voice vote. Item No. 8 was tabled.

MOTION by unidentified member and seconded to approve the remaining items on the Agenda.

Motion was passed on a voice vote.

President’s Report

A summary of the USASA events for the year was made, including Soccer Fest and the National Amateur Cup finals. Thank you to North Carolina Adult Soccer Association, Tom O’Shea and all the USASA volunteers for help with Soccer Fest. Thanks were also extended to DeKalb County United for their help with National Amateur Cup finals. A special thanks to Dunkin and Michelob Ultra as sponsors for National Amateur Cup finals.

Total player registration numbers were up for 2023, to 225,000. We would like the growth to be greater and the board is working on plans to change and grow membership.

The 2026 World Cup and the Club World Cup in 2025 will be an opportunity for us to grow the game.

Executive Director’s Report

We have increased the office staff in the past six months among several changes this year. Our new registration platform is operational and we will continue the process of implementing it further and also making it available to our member organizations.

The 100th Anniversary of National Amateur Cup was well received by the teams and players. Similarly, Soccer Fest was a success.

Continued expansion of our communication to members will occur through the coming months. The website will continue to undergo changes and improvements to make more information and resources available to members.

A message about the need for change in the organization was delivered. We will continue to work with The Collective Global to help us implement the goals we have identified.

Committee Reports

MOTION by unidentified member and second to approve the committee reports from Appeals, Credentials, Finance & Budget, Governance, National Cup and Referee Committees.

Motion was passed on a voice vote.

Election of Officers

President

Candidates are:

Fritz Marth

James Sadowski

James Sadowski was elected.

Secretary

Candidate is:

Karon Beyer

Karon Beyer was elected by acclimation.

At-Large Director

Candidates are:

Chaz Ballish-Regueiro

MaryBeth Falk

MaryBeth Falk was elected.

Affiliate Member Director

Candidate is:

Kendra Halterman

Kendra Halterman was elected by acclimation.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

Amendments to the Bylaws

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws to add Section 1.8a adding a membership category of Disability Service Organization and amending sections 5.1.6 and 5.2 to reflect that change. Offered by Utah State Soccer Association.

Chaz Ballish-Regueiro game report from the Rules Committee that the amendment is consistent with our bylaws and policies.

MOTION to approve the proposed amendment by Mike Edwards and seconded.

The Motion was passed on a voice vote.

No Additional Reports

New Business

MOTION to approve the Fee Schedule for 2025. There are no changes from the current Fee Schedule.

Motion was approved on a voice vote.

The 2025 USASA Budget was introduced by Andy Marion, Budget & Finance Committee Chair.

MOTION – to approve the budget for 2025 made by an unidentified member and seconded.

MOTION TO AMEND – by Paul Scherer to Amend the budget and add $40,000 to regional support for a total of $120,000. Seconded.

Motion to Amend the budget passed by a voice vote.

Motion to approve the budget, as amended, was passed by a voice vote.

MOTION by John Motta to change the name of Soccer Fest to Veterans Cup starting in 2025. Seconded by unidentified member.

Motion was passed on a voice vote.

Good of the Game

Introduction of Armin Gonzales, the oldest active player in Veterans Cup. He was presented with a gift from President Motta.

Introduction of Gerhard Mengel, and the presentation of a video and gift from FIFA President Gianni Infantino for Gerhard’s 95 birthday.

A message from Carlos Cordeiro was relayed by President Motta.

Karissa Richardson made a presentation of a gift to Tony Falcone on the ending of his tenure as Region I Director.

John Motta

Cezar Wasecki presented John Motta a gift from the board of directors.

Richard Groff

Robin Runstein

Tony Falcone

Audrey Wilson

Lyndelle Phillips

Darius Ejlali

Paul Scherer

Dan Rooney

Vincent Treglia

Pascal Piazza

MOTION – by Dyann Pugliese to destroy the ballots used today, seconded by unidentified member.

Motion was passed on a voice vote.

Adjournment

MOTION - to adjourn was made by an unidentified member and seconded.

Motion was passed on a voice vote.

TIME: 3:35pm