



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

January 30, 2021

Annual General Meeting via Zoom

Approved at the 2022 NCASA AGM

10:00 AM Call to Order

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Scott Eisenbraun asked for a motion to suspend Constitution Article VII, section 3.

Section 3 Each affiliated organization's player registration at the end of its previous regular seasonal/fiscal year, based on actual payments received by NCASA, shall be used to determine that organization's voting power.

Rationale: to use 2020 AGM voting strength due to the irregular 2020 registration because of the COVID six-month shutdown.

David Zabarsky from TASL motioned

Bob Kepner seconded

Motion passed unanimously.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

ABASA	5 votes
CVASA	1 votes
CPSL	3 votes
MASL	4 votes
PGASA	1 votes
PASL	1 votes
TASL	7 votes
SSAAL	1 votes
WASC	3 votes
WSASL	2 votes

President – Scott Eisenbraun

Executive Vice President – Donna Langdon

Secretary – Bob Kepner

Treasurer – Charles Gomes

Vice President League Support – Jeremy Mikell

Women's Commissioner – Alex Vidaurri
Vice President Competitions – Men – Jason Brenner
Vice President Competitions – Women/Coed – Vance Carlisle
Vice President Membership & Development II – Samuel Cohen
NCSRA Liaison -Paul James

NOT PRESENT: Vice President Membership & Development III – Mark Baker

All Board Members have one vote.

Executive Director – Darius Ejlali

Voting Strength

Leagues	28 votes
Executive Committee	11 votes
Total:	39 votes

20 votes simple majority

Registrar Report

Donna Langdon highlighted league activities and registration numbers
10 active leagues – mixture of Spring Only, Fall Only and Both
All leagues experience a decrease in registration except Swansboro who saw an increase.

2020 registration – 5,968 players and 298 Tournament Only Passes

NCASA has added 3 new leagues in 2021.

AC Sandhills (Sandford) joined in 2020 then the shutdown took place.

Seashore Soccer League (Jacksonville)

First Flight League (Statewide)

Approval of Minutes for 2020 AGM

Jeremy Mikell made a motion to approve the Minutes.

Paul James seconded

Discussion – Paul James asked for his name to be added to the 2020 roll call.

Minutes were approved as amended.

President's Report

2020 – A year nobody could have anticipated.

Attended the USSF AGM in Nashville TN Feb. 13-15. Cindy Parlow Cone elected as US Soccer Vice-President.

Remaining Regional and National meetings were canceled or postponed.

NCASA worked at creating a "Return To Play" document for COVID Protocol to assist leagues.

When leagues returned to play, NCASA had 3 to decide to not return to play in the Fall.

Celebrate the TaTas was canceled for 2020.

Planning for the Carolinas Cup began and created many different challenges. The obvious would be COVID-19 protocols, but field availability at Truist Sports Park was limited due to flooding. The Carolinas Cup Committee and Administrators did an amazing job in planning. This event made us think outside of the box and has given us new tools and ideas for future events. The event brought 39 teams across 8 Divisions.

The highlight for 2020 was NCASA was still able to attract 3 new leagues.

Executive Director Report

NCASA has a dedicated and engaged Executive Committee. President Scott Eisenbraun and Vice President Donna Langdon attended the USSF AGM in Nashville, TN, where Cindy Parlow Cone was elected.

By March 2020, NCASA had completed 45% of NCASA annual registration. Then the unthinkable.... shutdown happened. NCASA closed for seven-months. Even with a seven-month shutdown, NCASA managed to register nearly 60% of a normal year of registration. This truly outlines the value and impact this game has on everyone's lives.

In September, NC's Governor issued a new executive Order. NCASA examined the new order, along with the NCDHHS and hired an attorney to ensure proper interpretation. NCASA established guidelines to assist leagues with reopening.

During our reopening research, NCASA discovered our USASA D&O policy was insufficient. The coverage would protect our organization and leagues but at a very high deductible. USASA had been working with USI, USASA's new insurance broker, on a D&O policy for state associations. NCASA was the first adult state association to bind the new USI D&O policy. The new policy has a \$3,000,000 cap, expanded coverage and no deductible. NCASA purchased the new policy for the state and voted to purchase the D&O policy for all of NC's leagues.

Taking on the Carolinas Cup became our new challenge. How do we hold a tournament during a pandemic became our first question? Next, do teams want to compete? The response from teams was overwhelming. We got to work, preparing with very little time and enormous responsibilities.

We worked within the guidelines of the Executive Order, complied with the complex's agreement, established proper protocol, online health screening, at the field player temperature check, COVID waivers, extended schedules, contact tracing, reporting system, online captain's meeting, COVID supplies, a plan of action and we have not even really begun.

Approximately, 10 days prior to kick off, NC Governor released a new Executive Order. The new order allowed the Carolinas Cup to continue but all athletes, including our referees had to wear masks during play. Three teams withdrew as a result of the mask order leaving the Cup with 39 teams in 8 divisions. The volunteers did a great job, the competition was fierce, officiating was spot on, and the tournament was a success. The fortitude and determination of our teams and players, referees, volunteers, and our association are amazing.

In 2020, NCASA had the fortune of adding to the NC soccer family, please welcome AC Sandhills in Sanford, Seashore Soccer League in Jacksonville and First Flight League, a competitive travel league.

As always it is a pleasure to work with dedicated soccer-minded leaders in the state and I am looking forward to an exciting 2021.

Treasurer's Report

Charles Gomes discussed NCASA's P&L Actuals to Budgeted for 2020 and balance sheet as of Dec. 31, 2020.

Charles Gomes presented the NCASA 2021 Proposed Budget
David Zabarsky made a motion to approve the 2021 NCASA Proposed Budget.
Jeremy Mikell – seconded
Discussion was held.
Motion approved unanimously.

Scott Eisenbraun led a discussion on COVID Protocol at the league level. Many league directors asked for the new recommended guidelines be sent out to all.

Elections

Paul James conducted the elections.

Positions up for election: President, Secretary, Women's Commissioner, Men's VP of Competition and Membership and Development I.

The position for Secretary, Women's Commissioner, Men's VP of Competition and Membership and Development I were uncontested elections and affirmed by membership.

Presidents Election

Incumbent: Scott Eisenbraun

Challenger: Sam Cohen

Q&A was held

Sam Cohen won the election

Scott Eisenbraun congratulated Sam Cohen

Good of the Game

There was a collective hope for a healthy return to play in 2021

Adjournment: 12:25