



**NORTH CAROLINA ADULT SOCCER ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
January 9, 2023**

Minutes

Call to Order: 7:05pm

Roll Call – Darius Ejlali took the roll call

Present: Sam Cohen, Donna Langdon, Bob Kepner, Jeremy Mikell, Scott Eisenbraun, Alex Vidaurri, Matt Friedman, Paul James, Vance Carlisle

Not Present: Chad Garber, Laura Collins, Emmanuel Sarkorh,

Quorum determination

Officer & Staff Reports

- President – Thank you to everyone on the call. Welcome to the last meeting to conclude the 2022-2023 NCASA board year with our last meeting being at the first of the year and our AGM being held at the end of the month. Officially, I am running again for President, I hope and expect everyone to return to their positions for 2023.

Thank you to Matt Friedman for all the time and input he has given to NCASA, Matt has already informed the board that he will not be running for his position.

Tonight's agenda we will be going a bit out of order to ensure we give ample time to review and discuss the 2023 NCASA Award nominees. When we get to motions, we will start with the Constitution and Bylaw amendment to allow membership to tournament organizers. Then if there is no objection, we will set aside the other two motions and then go right into the NCASA Awards discussion. Then turn to the Election Committee to understand who has nominated themselves and which positions may not have anyone running for them. We will briefly talk about the Annual General Meeting and then if there is time we return to the other motions. If it is late enough, we will push the other motions to the February meeting with the new board.

Last meeting, I mentioned that an apparel company would like to explore a partnership. Since then, there has been another call that went well. The company stated they would have a draft proposal for NCASA to review. We have not received their draft proposal yet and will keep the board in the loop.

Everyone may have already seen the figure in the Registrar Report, NCASA has topped 12,000 player registrations in 2022. The most since 2014 and the second most since 2008. An amazing year for NCASA and our member leagues.

- Executive Director – Have started 2023 by re-issuing COIs for our league members to ensure members have field coverage as everyone begins play. Wrapping up finances for Carolinas Cup and working with our CPA to review our 2022 finances.

Learning Team Pass our new registration system as each league gets set up. Will be testing Beer City Cup Savannah set up this week to launch by the end of the week.

Looking forward to 2023.

- Executive Vice President – No Report
- Treasurer – Treasurer reviewed the treasurer’s report. NCASA did well in 2022, ending the year with a healthy surplus. A healthy year. Notable work at the league level. 2022 – 12,005, 2014 – 12,225 and 2008 – 12,331

League Affiliation fees need to be collected, an essential step regarding membership for benefits and voting.

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes for the December 12, 2022, NCASA Board meeting were approved unanimously.

Growth Initiative

- Registration Report – NCASA is over 12 thousand player registrations. Almost every league surpassed last year’s registration numbers. Setting up leagues to begin registering 2023 with Team Pass. 5 leagues have begun registering, and so far everything is running smoothly. 1,654 have registered in the last few weeks on Team Pass. We have had a few issues with credit card processing, delaying players from populating on the roster. Team Pass is aware of the issue and will be addressing it. We will have a workshop at the AGM on Team Pass.
- First Year Leagues Update – OCASL league ended up well over 600 players.
- New League Update – Still talking with the group from Brevard about starting a league.

Competitions

- Carolinas Cup – Finalizing the Cup’s actuals. The post tournament survey was completed by 115 players/captains. Very positive and insightful survey. Circulated to the tournament committee to review and will share with the board.
- Celebrate the Tatas – The committee should start addressing some small details for 2023.
- 2023 USASA Adult Soccerfest – will be held in Greensboro, NC in July 2023. A large USASA tournament that holds many divisions over 5 days.

Organizing Committees

- D&A Committee – There are cases that need to be addressed. A particularly time-sensitive appeal officially came to the committee mid-December. Hearing was held, panelists very thorough, a good learning exercise.
- Budget Committee- The NC Soccer Hall of Fame partnership invoice for 2023 was \$1270.00. NCASA budgeted \$1200.00. A friendly budget amendment will be made to adjust for the \$70.00 difference.
- AGM Committee – The 2023 AGM will be a one-day event, Saturday, January 28, 2023 held at the NC Soccer office Greensboro. Food and lodging are being arranged. Communication to league Presidents has gone out.
- Election/Nominations Committee –Positions up for election are: President, Secretary, VP Men’s Competition, VP Women’s Membership and Development (old title Women’s Commissioner), VP of Marketing and Communications (old title Membership and Development I), & VP of Community Development (old title Membership and Development III).
Intentions to run announced: President – Sam Cohen, Secretary – Chad Garber, VP Men’s Competition – Scott Eisenbraun, VP Marketing and Communications – Vance Carlisle, VP Women’s Membership and Development – Laura Collins, Alex Vidaurri (but interested in VP Women’s and Coed if Vance Carlisle wins VP Marketing and Communications), and VP Community Development is open.
- NCASA Awards Committee- NCASA received several nominees for the various awards.

Board paused here to address the first motion of **New Business**.

NCASA Constitution & Bylaws Amendment – Tournament Affiliates (see text below)

Motion was approved unanimously.

NCASA tabled the next two motions, New League & Team Incentive Fund and Refund of Annual Year-End Surplus to Affiliates

Discussion

- The Board entered into Executive Session to discuss the NCASA Award nominees and select award winners.

For the Good of the Game / Announcements

Comments from the President - It's been a great year with this board and for NCASA. I look forward to seeing everyone in February and at the AGM. Thank you for everything you do for North Carolina Soccer. It has been a lot of fun and there is more to come.

Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn approved unanimously

Approved Motions:

Tournament Affiliate Constitution & Bylaws Amendment was approved.

NCASA Constitution & Bylaws Amendment – Tournament Affiliates

Whereas, the NCASA Constitution and Bylaws are NCASA's governing documents,

Whereas, NCASA wishes to make clear that its Constitution and Bylaws permit tournament organizations to affiliate with NCASA,

Be it resolved that the NCASA Board recommends to the NCASA Council that the current NCASA Constitution & Bylaws be amended as follows:

Amendments to the NCASA Constitution

1. Strike Article VI, Section 4 and replace it with the following language (new language in **bold**):

Section 4

In each Council meeting, each currently registered Affiliate in good standing (**except for Tournament Affiliates**) shall have the following number of voting representatives based on player registration:

0 - 50 registered players	no vote
51 - 300 registered players	1 representative (1 vote)
301 - 550 registered players	2 representatives (each with 1 vote)
551 - 800 registered players	3 representatives (each with 1 vote)
801 - 1050 registered players	4 representatives (each with 1 vote)
1051 - 1850 registered players	5 representatives (each with 1 vote)
1851 - 3200 registered players	6 representatives (each with 1 vote)
3201 or more registered players	7 representatives (each with 1 vote)

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For purposes of determining player registrations for Tournament Affiliates, tournament-only pass registrations shall count as 0.5 player registrations. Player registrations will be rounded up to the nearest whole number.

2. In Addendum – Definitions, strike the term “Affiliate” and its definition and the term “Member” and its definition, and add the following language (new language in **bold**):

“Affiliate” shall refer to those amateur soccer organizations across NC that have exercised the option to become a member of NCASA. Affiliates may include, but are not limited to, playing leagues and Tournament Affiliates.

“Members” shall refer to Affiliates, including affiliated leagues and their registrants within NC and Tournament Affiliates.

“Tournament Affiliate” shall refer to those independent tournament organizations that have chosen to affiliate directly with NCASA for registration purposes and have at least four teams competing in a tournament organized by the independent tournament organization. Tournaments hosted by affiliated leagues are not considered to be independent tournament organizations.

Amendments to the NCASA Bylaws:

1. Strike Article III, Section 1 and replace it with the following language (new language in **bold**):

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2022 NCASA REGISTRATION REPORT

Player Registrations														Total # Players	
	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	2022 TOTAL	2021	2020
Leagues:															
ABASA	0	954	65	62	4	264	25	45	193	52	7	0	1671	1433	932
AC Sandhills	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
Catawba	59	4	0	49	16	0	8	55	0	2	0	0	193	146	61
Charlotte Independence	70	324	64	4	2	1	1	178	39	9	0	0	692	485	0
CPSL	287	269	6	5	0	8	15	22	63	11	4	0	690	661	614
First Flight League	0	14	106	12	9	11	32	62	19	14	0	0	279	484	0
Metrolina	0	120	477	29	4	0	0	57	187	15	0	0	889	727	688
NCASA Annual Pass	1	12	5	8	58	38	132	53	1	0	0	0	308	48	7
Pitt Greenville	4	24	90	3	0	0	0	0	74	15	0	0	210	182	134
Premier Adult	13	118	22	7	0	0	0	8	22	5	0	0	195	130	118
Seashore Soccer League	2	9	18	0	1	0	1	7	1	0	0	0	39	73	0
Swansboro	0	0	105	144	14	0	0	7	95	20	6	0	391	312	278
TASL	1438	380	119	55	468	182	356	225	63	41	0	0	3327	2926	2413
OCASL @TASL	0	0	0	0	242	60	130	100	35	23	32	6	628	0	0
Wilmington	412	84	25	37	70	34	25	72	11	5	0	0	775	712	474
Winston Salem	21	92	32	0	0	0	0	8	31	0	0	0	184	201	218
TOTAL League Players	2307	2404	1134	415	888	598	725	899	834	212	49	6	10471	8520	5968
Tournament Only Passes:															
Beer City Cup						110	358	363	10				841	879	
Carolinas Cup Charleston				13	19								32	24	
Carolinas Cup WS								1	7	13	326	79	426	401	
Celebrate the Tatas									38	55			93	47	
Queen City Cup							52	66					118	175	
Tourney Pass Other				2		3	13	14	2				34		
USASA Adult Soccer Fest				10									10	1	
TOTAL Tourney Passes	0	0	0	25	19	113	423	444	57	68	326		1554	1527	
Temporary Passes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	
TOTAL # PLAYERS													12025	10074	