



NORTH CAROLINA ADULT SOCCER ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 20, 2023

Call to Order: 7:04pm

Roll Call – Darius Ejlali took the roll call

Present: Sam Cohen, Donna Langdon, Chad Garber, Bob Kepner, Paul James, Alex Vidaurri, Scott Eisenbraun, Vance Carlisle, Jeremy Mikell, Laura Collins

Quorum determined

Officer & Staff Reports

- President – Welcome new board.
2022 was a great year, looking forward to another great year for 2023. We still have two positions open, VP Community Development, which is our sponsorship/fund raising position and VP Membership and Development. Let's exercise patience to find the right individual for each position.

As we move into the new year, let's address some bookkeeping, please confirm email addresses and the use of the ncsoccer.org address for efficient communications. We will cover a treasurer's report on how the financials are presented, separating our events budget from the general accounts in the treasurer's report. The new registration system and registration report will be discussed. Currently our registration numbers are over 5000 not including tournament only passes. Last year at this time the association had registered only 3000. A very encouraging sign for the beginning of the year. Growth of our membership is a strong focus.

- Executive Director – It has been a busy time since the Annual General Meeting. The next weekend was the NC Soccer Hall of Fame evening. Starting the new year off with a new registration system was a challenging idea, but the work Donna has done with TeamPass and our leagues has made this transition very smooth. Beer City Cup in Savannah has become a testing ground for TeamPass for the tournament module. USASA Adult Soccer Fest is in full gear planning for the Greensboro, NC, July tournament. I've agreed to facilitate securing the Friday night party. Since Alex Vidaurri is on the USASA committee, we will be forming a small committee to create a plan. Carolinas Cup Charleston registration has been open: there are 33 teams registered, 7 from NCASA. Last year at this time only 16 teams had registered. Bob and I have worked with our CPA to adjust financial categories and create a new financial presentation. The year has started off in a hustle.
- Executive Vice President – No Report
- Treasurer – Treasurer circulated the treasurer's report. The TeamPass accounting is new to our CPA, and while she adjusts to the new reporting, the presentation of the finances has been modified. Categories of accounts were merged or expanded based on the pattern of operation.

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes for the January 9, 2023, NCASA Board meeting were approved unanimously.

Growth Initiative

- Registration Report – NCASA is exceeding expectation with the volume of player registration and more importantly the majority of our leagues have adjusted to the new TeamPass system. The general feedback from both players and leagues has been positive. The programmers have been working with us to make adjustments as we discover the need. This will be a robust system. All but two leagues have begun registration. Leagues are considering the scheduling module. TeamPass offers website platforms. MASL will be shifting to a TeamPass website platform.
- First Year Leagues Update – no new leagues at the moment
- New League Update – no update

Competitions

- Carolinas Cup – Preparation for Carolinas Cup Charleston is going well. Global Events has secured hotel options. Other amenities for the event are being explored, e.g., merchandise, food truck, and alcohol sales.
- Celebrate the Tatas – Committee has met, discussed dates, and decided Oct. 7- 8, 2023 in Huntersville, NC.
- 2023 USASA Adult Soccerfest – will be sending promotional flyers. Alex Vidaurri will be a liaison of communication. NCASA will assist with party planning for Friday night social.
- Beer City Cup – Registration is going well, 92 teams, approximately 1200 rostered players, a mix of registered players in and out of state, Tournament Only players and Annual Registrations purchased through the tournament.

Organizing Committees

- D&A Committee – No new cases in 2023. There are still a few from 2022 that need to be closed.
- Budget Committee- No report
- AGM Committee – No report
- Election/Nominations Committee – No report
- NCASA Awards Committee- No report

New Business (motions)

- (New) Board Appointment – Alex Vidaurri
NCASA President, Sam Cohen appoints Alex Vidaurri to the position of Vice President of Women's and Coed Competition.
Makes a motion to approve, motion passes unanimously (see text below for motion)
- (New) 2023 Board Meeting Schedule
Sam Cohen presents an annual calendar of meetings following NCASA's traditional schedule of the third Monday of each month. These meetings will continue to be conducted through Zoom. Trying to hold an in-person meeting in 2023 would be nice if the opportunity arises.
Motion passes unanimously (see text below for motion)
- (New) Payment for 2023 PGSAAL D&O Coverage
PGSA-AL reached out requesting NCASA cover their D&O insurance policy for 2023.
Motion passes unanimously (see text below for motion)

Additional New Business (motions - 2/3 vote required)

Alex Vidaurri requests to make a motion for consideration.

Alex makes a motion to fund the transportation of our Celebrate the Tatas pink tent and Carolinas Cup tent to market our events at the Beer City Cup – Savannah. Beer City Cup has offered opportunity to circulate Tatas promotions.

Sam Cohen recommends presenting the motion to the finance committee for approval since there was no written motion, it is within the finance committee's authority, and formal cost estimates have not been obtained yet. Budget committee can approve up to \$2000.00. Board agreed to defer decision to finance committee and indicated willingness to spend up to \$500 to cover the cost of renting a van to transport the tents, although expectation is that total cost will be less.

Old & New Business (discussions)

- SafeSport
Safe Sport Compliance tracking was reviewed. Discussed when Board members need to recertify and status of league boards. Will send notice to leagues. It is important.
- Post-AGM Attendee Survey (Vance Carlisle)
Vance Carlisle will create a survey to board members and league President's and Directors.
- Marketing & Communication Needs for All Board Positions (Vance Carlisle)
Vance wants board members to review their roles with NCASA and have suggestion of how marketing and communication will be helpful in their roles.

Additional New Business (discussions)

Bob Kepner announced that he had communicated with the President and Vice-President that NCASA should consider a part-time employee focused on registration. Not interested in making it a discussion item but to make the board aware.

Takeaways/To Do Item Wrap-up

For the Good of the Game / Announcements

Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn approved unanimously

Approved Motions:

- Board Appointment – Alex Vidaurri
- 2023 Board Meeting Schedule
- Payment for 2023 PGSAAL D&O Coverage

New Board Member Appointment

Whereas NCASA currently has an opening on the NCASA Board of Directors for the position of Vice President – Women's & Coed Competition, and

Whereas the NCASA Bylaws, Article IV, Section 8, provides that in the case of a vacancy on the Board of Directors, "the President with concurrence of the Board of Directors may appoint a temporary successor until the next meeting of the Council," and

Whereas Alex Vidaurri has expressed interest in this open position and is qualified for the position,

Be it resolved that the NCASA President appoints, and the NCASA Board of Directors concurs with the appointment of, the following individual to fill the current vacancy on the NCASA Board of

Directors until the next meeting of the Council:

Vice President, Women's & Coed Competition – Alex Vidaurri

NCASA Monthly Board Meeting Schedule

Whereas determining Board meeting dates in advance will allow Board members to block time on their calendars and allow better attendance at Board meetings; and

Whereas, NCASA traditionally has held its Board meetings on the third Monday of each month; Be it resolved that NCASA Board meetings from now until the 2023 Annual General Meeting shall be held on the following dates:

- February 20, 2023 (Note: 3rd Monday = President's Day)
- March 20, 2023
- April 17, 2023
- May 15, 2023
- June 19, 2023
- July 17, 2023
- August 21, 2023
- September 18, 2023
- October 16, 2023
- November 20, 2023
- December 18, 2023
- January 8, 2024 (2nd Monday; 3rd Monday = MLK Jr. Day)

Be it further resolved that all Board meetings will be held virtually; and

Be it further resolved that the monthly Board meeting dates will be posted on the NCASA website.

Payment for 2023 PGSAAL D&O Coverage

Whereas the Pitt-Greenville Soccer Association Adult League (PGSA-AL) is currently restructuring its operations, and

Whereas PGSA-AL is engaging in player recruitment activities and adding divisions of play to increase player registrations, but PGSA-AL is currently operating at a loss as a result of these player recruitment activities (and the low player registration numbers that are the reason for engaging in these activities), and

Whereas, based on their current financial circumstances, PGSA-AL has requested NCASA's assistance with covering their Director & Officer liability insurance costs for 2023,

Be it resolved that NCASA approves the expenditure of \$450 from its general fund to cover PGSA-AL's D&O insurance costs for PGSA-AL's annual renewal effective on February 22, 2023.

| 2023 NCASA REGISTRATION REPORT | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Total # Players | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------|
| Player Registrations | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | 2023 TOTAL | 2022 | 2021 | 2020 |
| Leagues: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ABASA | 328 | 459 | | | | | | | | | | | 787 | 1671 | 1433 | 932 |
| AC Sandhills | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 |
| Catawba | 38 | 16 | | | | | | | | | | | 54 | 193 | 146 | 61 |
| Charlotte Independence | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 692 | 485 | 0 |
| North Meck | 60 | 83 | | | | | | | | | | | 143 | | | |
| Rock Hill | 102 | 48 | | | | | | | | | | | 150 | | | |
| Mooresville | 77 | 159 | | | | | | | | | | | 236 | | | |
| CPSL | 521 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | 526 | 690 | 661 | 614 |
| First Flight League | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 279 | 484 | 0 |
| Metrolina | 2 | 361 | | | | | | | | | | | 363 | 889 | 727 | 688 |
| NCASA Annual Pass | | | | | | | | | | | | | 147 | 308 | 48 | 7 |
| Pitt Greenville | 4 | 19 | | | | | | | | | | | 23 | 210 | 182 | 134 |
| Premier Adult | 0 | 12 | | | | | | | | | | | 12 | 195 | 130 | 118 |
| Seashore Soccer League | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 39 | 73 | 0 |
| Swansboro | 0 | 23 | | | | | | | | | | | 23 | 391 | 312 | 278 |
| TASL | 1963 | 129 | | | | | | | | | | | 2092 | 3327 | 2926 | 2413 |
| OCASL @TASL | 2 | 258 | | | | | | | | | | | 260 | 628 | 0 | 0 |
| Wilmington | 450 | 85 | | | | | | | | | | | 535 | 775 | 712 | 474 |
| Winston Salem | 49 | 49 | | | | | | | | | | | 98 | 184 | 201 | 218 |
| TOTAL League Players | 3596 | 1706 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5449 | 10471 | 8520 | 5968 |
| Tournament Only Passes: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beer City Cup Asheville | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 841 | 879 | |
| Beer City Cup Savannah | 357 | 226 | | | | | | | | | | | 583 | | | |
| Carolinas Cup Charleston | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 32 | 24 | |
| Carolinas Cup WS | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 426 | 401 | |
| Celebrate the Tatas | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 93 | 47 | |
| Queen City Cup | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 118 | 175 | |
| Tourney Pass Other | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 34 | | |
| USASA Adult Soccer Fest | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | 10 | 1 | |
| TOTAL Tourney Passes | 357 | 226 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 583 | 1554 | 1527 | |
| Temporary Passes | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 27 | |
| TOTAL # PLAYERS | 3953 | 1932 | | | | | | | | | | | 6032 | 12025 | 10074 | |