



NORTH CAROLINA ADULT SOCCER ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 21, 2025

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Roll Call – Sam Cohen took the roll call.

Present: Sam Cohen, Donna Langdon, Chad Garber, Bob Kepner, Alex Vidaurri, Scott Eisenbraun, Jeremy Mikell, Laura Collins, Fil Wilkinson

Not Present: Paul James, Ian Dunne

Quorum determined.

Officer & Staff Reports

- President – Welcome. Darius and Cindy are managing a family health issue and Darius will not be on the call. If their response time is slow and a more immediate response is needed, please reach out to Donna or me during this time.

Scott Eisenbraun volunteered to go to Charleston to assist SCASA with the operations of our Carolinas Cup over Memorial Day. The motion on tonight's agenda is to appropriate additional funding for the trip. Alex Vidaurri also is planning to volunteer and work for the Carolinas Cup tournament.

Region III workshop, this year's workshop is Saturday May 31 in New Orleans. The workshops are an excellent way to connect with other states in our region and learn about different practices from the attending state associations.

The other item on tonight's agenda is the new adult soccer camp that Laura Collins has developed for June.

On next month's agenda, Bob Kepner would like the board to hold a discussion on using a significant portion of our reserves towards a field initiative to assist leagues and adult soccer in NC.
- Executive Director – N/A
- Executive Vice President – I've been assisting Darius and Cindy as much as I can. The NCSL league is running, and matches are being played. As Darius mentioned last month, the league had a team to drop. The standings have been updated to reflect forfeits where Medicine City were scheduled. Worked with Paul James with ArbiterPay so NCASA can manage referee pay electronically. It was a tough setup. There have been some behavioral issues, which Darius has handled. I have started working with Sofia Hernandez from SCASA on setting up Carolinas Cup for our NCASA teams. Those have been the two major areas that have been addressed.
- Treasurer – A detailed report has been circulated. Income is strong. NCASA has paid USASA for player registration, approximately \$84,000.00. All other costs are inline.

Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve March 17, 2025, minutes.
Minutes were approved unanimously

Growth Initiative

- Registration Report – Registration numbers are strong but tracking slightly behind 2024 numbers. Most leagues are doing well. Two leagues that are under their 2024 numbers are ABASA and TASL. We are still on target to meet budgeted numbers. Big kudos to MASL for breaking 1000 registered players, approximately over 250 players ahead of where MASL's numbers were at the same time last year. Additionally, some of our smaller leagues are also seeing significant gains.
- First Year Leagues Update – No report
- New League Update – Darius has scheduled a visit with Salisbury youth league to talk to them about the potential affiliation of their adult program.

Competitions

- Carolinas Cup – Team registration is lower than last year but still has close to 60 teams with registration still open.
- Celebrate the Tatas – Deciding which shirt vendor to work with, because the shirts and trophies are our biggest cost. No major updates other than seeking donations.

Organizing Committees

- D&A Committee – There are new cases.
- Budget & Finance Committees – No Report
- AGM Committee – No Report
- Election/Nominations Committee – No Report
- NCASA Awards Committee – No Report

Board Member Reports

New Business (motions)

- Carolinas Cup Charleston - Additional Board Member Travel Subsidy –(see below)
Motion passed unanimously

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

Old & New Business (discussions)

Touchline Soccer Camp – Laura Collins. Launching a coed 18 years old and up Adult Soccer Camp at NC State Soccer Camp to be held on June 6th – 8th. Laura collaborated with Paul Ellis who has started an adult soccer camp that Laura has attended for 8 years. The camp will be on Friday night, Saturday (full day), and half day on Sunday. Paul Ellis will be the lead coach. It is open to all levels of players. Unregistered players will purchase a Tournament Only pass. Donna has suggested to reach out to SC and Tennessee directly, plus Region III and USASA could circulate information. Paul Ellis is the brother of Jill Ellis, the former USWNT coach.

Jeremy Mikell is on a USASA marketing committee and asked for any suggestions of direction or firms that should be pursued, nationally, regionally or at a state level. The goal would be entities that could be mutually beneficial across all

areas, grassroots, regionally and nationally. Scott Eisenbraun suggested banks.

For the Good of the Game / Announcements

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn approved– 7:50 pm

Carolinas Cup Charleston - Additional Board Member Travel Subsidy

Whereas, NCASA provides volunteers each year to support SCASA with operating the Carolinas Cup Charleston 8v8 tournament on Memorial Day weekend, and

Whereas, NCASA may need to provide additional support beyond the level budgeted for in the 2025 NCASA Budget,

Be it resolved that NCASA approves the spending of up to an additional \$1,000 from the General Fund beyond the funds already approved in the 2025 NCASA budget to cover the expenses for additional NCASA Board members to attend and assist at the 2025 Carolinas Cup Charleston 8v8 tournament.

	2025 NCASA PLAYER REGISTRATIONS													TOTAL # PLAYERS			
	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL	2024	2023	2022	2021
ABASA	22	519	556										1097	2067	2007	1671	1433
Catawba	17	75	0										92	207	219	193	146
Charlotte Independence														0	0	692	485
North Meck														0	174	0	0
Rock Hill														0	176	0	0
CPSL	525	10	6										541	672	707	690	661
First Flight League														0	261	279	484
Metrolina	406	588	80										1074	1283	1016	889	727
Mooresville	197	144	15										356	559	491	0	0
NCASA Annual Pass	107	3	2										112	411	497	308	48
North Carolina Soccer League	0	81	129										210	159	0	0	0
Pitt Greenville	50	170	62										282	397	402	210	182
Premier Adult	0	83	11										94	130	144	195	130
Seashore Soccer League														0	9	39	73
Swansboro	0	35	163										198	372	390	391	312
Transylvania Adult Soccer	0	17	59										76	114	0	0	0
TASL	1951	415	156										2522	4162	3763	3327	2926
OCASL @TASL	41	413	107										561	1026	777	628	0
Wake Women's League	106	61	24										191	196	94	0	0
Wilmington	657	93	11										761	1150	869	775	712
Winston Salem	64	192	9										265	275	251	184	201
TOTAL LEAGUE PLAYERS	4143	2899	1390	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8432	13180	12247	10471	8520
TOURNAMENT ONLY PASSES:	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL				
Beer City Cup Asheville														43	866	841	879
Beer City Cup Indianapolis														2			
Beer City Cup Nashville														17			
Beer City Cup Savannah	3	7	0										10	109	807		
Carolinas Cup Charleston														77	7	32	24
Carolinas Cup WS														415	382	426	401
Celebrate the Tatas														98	81	93	47
Hummer in the Summer														48			
Queen City Cup														64	128	118	175
Tourney Pass Other														2	0	34	
USASA Adult Soccer Fest														0	52	10	1
TOTAL TOURNAMENT PASSES	3	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	875	2323	1554	1527
Temporary Passes														0	0	0	27
TOTAL # PLAYERS	4146	2906	1390	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8442	14055	14570	12025	10074

