



**Massachusetts State Soccer Association**  
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**2022 Semi-Annual Meeting Minutes**

November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

**Meeting held in person at the Natick Community Center, Natick MA.**

- **Roll call/Credential check:** 15 votes + 4 board members= 19 votes

League		Rep	Votes
BSSL	<b>Bay State Soccer League</b>	<b>Damian Priday</b>	<b>2</b>
CCASL	Cape Cod Amateur Soccer League	Keith Clark	0
CMCRSL	Central Mass Coed Recreational League		0
CMO35	Central Mass Over 35	Roland Butzke	<b>1</b>
CMTSL	<b>Central Mass Twilight Soccer League</b>	<b>David Partridge</b>	<b>1</b>
EMWSL	<b>Eastern Mass Women's Soccer League</b>	<b>Dee Wooley</b>	<b>3</b>
FA1	Football Alliance of New England		0
FUTSAL	Massachusetts Adult Futsal Association	Richard Williams (P)	1
KICK	Kick Soccer Leagues	Soorena Farboodmanesh	1
MSSL	Mass State Soccer League	0	0
NEOTHSL	<b>New England Over the Hill Soccer League</b>	<b>Jim Buza</b>	7
NECL	New England Champions League	Luke DeDeus (P)	1
OCWSL	Old Colony Women's Soccer League	Michelle Sherman	0
OSSL	Ocean State Soccer League	<b>Bryan Hessler</b>	<b>1</b>
USAfrica	USAfrica Soccer League	0	0
VINE	Vineyard Football Club	0	0
MASS	President	Andy Weiss	1
MASS	VP	Garrett Solomon	1
MASS	Secretary	Nadia Sussman	1
MASS	Treasurer	Moulay Ridaoui	1
Total Votes:			
	Total # of votes + 4 executives		19
<b>Other Attendees</b>			
<b>Liz McQuilkin – Mass Soccer</b>			
<b>Debbie Forte – Mass Soccer</b>			
<b>Cezar</b>			
Lisa Zagura - Media Relations			
Guillermo Romero – Chelsea Soccer League			
Guest - Chelsea Soccer League			



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## ***I: Last meetings minutes - Approved***

## ***II: Unfinished/Ongoing business***

- AED Update – new discount pricing
- Boston Unity Cup – returned since covid
- Player count summary – Active players 14, 546, Managers (only) – 148 (currently biggest participation in the country)
- Registration System: MDCVSA – starting a pilot with Metro DC in Virginia; Alaska, North Carolina and Oregon pending

## ***III: Executive Committee Report:***

**Hall of Fame Committee:** 4 nominations reviewed (Cezar WW), Hall of Fame Dinner TBA, possible nomination of chairperson

**Metrowest Indoor league:** Few slots offered, not enough interest – will attempt to get a bigger time block for the 2023-2024 season

**National Updates:** Debbie to USSF mtg in Chicago (national youth database to be accessible to all soon), Andy to USASA mtg - (consideration of a National fee reduction – fees will remain for 2022 year, to be reviewed in 2023)

**Soccer Fest:** July 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, in Greensboro, NC

**Permanent Discount for WeGotSoccer:** 10-20%

## ***IV: Financial statement by Treasurer:***

- **Financial Reports: (slide) - Approved**

## ***V: Standing Committee reports***

- **Disciplinary Committee (Roland Butzke/Garrett Solomon):** USSF said MA was too strict on committee hearings
  - Roland taking over committee. Multiple hearings and appeals, reappeals
  - Strengthen bylaws to make teams liable, more proactive on the league level
  - BSSL and CMO35– get together to review and make a bylaw template
- **Appeals committee (Nilda):** None
- **Rules (Jess Berry):**
- **Cups Committee (JP):** Champions Cup this summer; tournament has evolved though slightly less entries – break up to 030, 040, etc? Tiered bracket
  - **Championship of Regions** – Safira FC (m) and Sidekicks FC (w) – USASA not going to support the open league or 030/040 league. Mass Soccer will continue to budget for teams to go to regionals.
  - **Amateur State Cups:** 8 teams entered, Final November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022
  - **030 State Cup:** Gunners vs. Safira 11/5/22
- **Media Relations (Lisa Zagura):**
  - Facebook, Twitter, Instagram -- looking for more support
- **Coaching Update (Andre Ferriera):**
  - Women's Futsal Program – 2 teams go to Atlantic City in Regionals, Nat'l in July

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**VI:** 2023 budget – approved

**VII: Election of Officers:** *None*

**VIII: Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws**

**Constitution Changes & By- Law Changes:**

**Bylaw 3.6: approved to remove**

**Bylaw 3.8: approved to remove**

**IX: New Business**

**Affiliation Request: New England Chelsea Soccer League (NECSL)**

- Had provisional approval, submitted bylaws. Motion to approve new league: Approved

**X: Good of the Game**

- BSSL – UCAL McKenzie Cup (annual) – in honor of the player who passed away 10 yrs ago (wants to have AED's in places where games are played, etc donated by the foundation) – heart health education.
- Brockton FC
- CPLP grant – how to utilize it? Biannual tournament.

**Adjourned 8:57 PM**