

WDDOA - Fall 2021 Governing Board Meeting

Thursday, July 15, 2021



Minutes from Annual Business Meeting for WDDOA

Meeting Location: Tele-Conference/Webinar Meeting Meeting Time: 7:00PM to 8:00PM

ROLL CALL & VOTE ACCREDITATION:

Executive Committee Members present: Joe Payton, President, John Buckler, EVP, Dora Boyle, Secretary, John Jones, Commissioner of Referees, and Stephen Sundquist, Treasurer

382/522 teams: Quorum established

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 6, 2019 General Membership Meeting

Centex 05B moved to approve the last minutes, seconded by T&C Spurs: minutes approved

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business

REPORTS:

➤ **State Cup / Presidents Cup / Directors Cup**

Many WDDOA teams participated across all STYSA cups. WDDOA teams advanced to Regional Events:

2021 USYS RIII Presidents Cup Championships

BOYS: U16 Express Dynamo – CB B05 Orange – **Advanced to Semi-Finals!**

GIRLS: U13 FC Westlake 08G Blue

U14 Lonestar 07G Black NTH

U15 Lake Travis Elite 06G Red

U16 Lake Travis Elite 05G Red

U17 Lonestar 04/05G Elite STH – **Advanced to Semi-Finals!**

U18/19/20 Express SC Dynamo - CB G02 – **Advanced to Finals!**

2021 USYS RIII Southern Regional – National Championships

BOYS: U19/20 Capital City SC Cap City 01B Sky South – **Advanced to Quarter-Finals**

GIRLS: U14 Capital City SC Cap City 07 G Sky N

Lonestar SC Lonestar 07G Elite NTH

U15 Lonestar SC Lonestar SC U15G FDL – **Advanced to Quarter-Finals**

Lonestar SC LSC - FC Westlake 06G FDL

U18 Forza Sports Academy FSA 03G Black – **Advanced to Quarter-Finals**

U19/20 FC Westlake FC Westlake 02G – **Advanced to Quarter-Finals**

➤ **Officers Reports** (* Signifies positions up for election July 2021)

Executive Vice-President* – John Buckler

Very strong showing by WDDOA teams at Regional events

Secretary – Dora Boyle

No Report

Treasurer* – Stephen Sundquist

WDDOA weathered COVID well and is in good, strong financial standing

Commissioner of Referees – John Jones

4 of the 6 referees that were sent to Decatur, AL from Sth Texas for Presidents Cup Regionals were Western District referees and one of them was selected to advance to Nationals. 10 of the 15 referees that were sent to Greenville, SC for NCS were Western District referees, 5 advanced to Nationals, 3 of them from Western District. US Soccer did not charge to register from 2020 to 2021 however fees have been reinstated for 2022. We were running about 40% down in number of referees across the United States. www.stsref.org.

Registration for 2022 starts now. 13 and 14-year-olds is the age referees typically start. New classes should start coming out in the next few days. We always need more refs!!

President – Joe Payton

Last year was a big challenge due to COVID. Thanks to everyone for weathering through that.

➤ **Committee Reports**

The Directors Council continued to meet monthly throughout the pandemic and all this past seasonal year. The newest member of the Directors Council is Wayne Bartlett from Boerne Soccer Club and he was appointed to replace Steve Jennings who stepped down. We want to take this time and thank Steve Jennings for his service. The Directors council is tasked with competition continuity, reviews Requests for Consideration, advises on the format of play, and provides input on league formats, game counts, and rules. We really appreciate all their hard work.

NEW BUSINESS:

➤ **WDDOA Competition Flight Structure - Fall 2021/22 Team / Player Registration**

The WDDOA flight structure was modified last year due to COVID. 21/22 back to normal format with full Western District-wide travel format as published on the WDDOA website.

➤ **Transition from GotSoccer (Classic) to GotSport 2.0**

Change of software statewide: GotSport 2.0. Used for all Rostering, Scheduling, Leagues, and communication. Team representatives must have an account in GotSport created by their club registrars. In GotSport, there is only one login to worry about. If managing multiple teams, access is available to all your teams from that one login. Representatives must be fully compliant in the new system with Kidsafe(Background Check), CDC(Concussion Training), and SafeSport. KidSafe and CDC status to be imported into GotSport 2.0 from GotSoccer, members' accounts must match ((first and last name, date of birth) what was in GotSoccer. For Safesport, need to log in to safesport from your new GotSport account in order to complete the required Refresher.

➤ **Team Manager: Season Navigation Information**

Team manager section on our website with all information and instructions to make your job easier: pre-season prep information, gameday prep, gamecards, Club Pass, Scoring, Red and Yellow Cards, game reschedules, etc.

Most of the team manager duties in GotSport. GotSport has training tools with screenshots and videos.

Club Pass: you must know the rules, forfeits can be a consequence of Club Pass misuse. The CPP rules will be followed as published. Rules can be found on the WDDOA website and on the STYSA website. No deadlines to enter Club Pass players, changes are available up to game time. They MUST be printed on the game card!

Game Cards: Your game cards will be in GotSport. This is THE MOST important piece of paperwork you will handle all year. Both teams must bring an updated game card to the field. Handwritten players mean an automatic forfeit, regardless of the reason. It is not the referee's job to make sure league procedures are enforced, they only enforce the Laws of the game. Be sure to strike through absent players. Any player not stricken through will be considered as having participated. This is especially important for players serving suspensions.

After the game: both teams are responsible for making sure the score and cards with codes are logged into GotSport. Who gets the gamecard? Neutral games: the site coordinator. Exception: weeknight neutral game with no site coordinator in which case the process for Home&Away games will be used. Home&Away games: the winning team gets the card, if the game was tied, the home team gets the card and is responsible for mailing it to the WDDOA office. WDDOA mailing address printed on every gamecard.

Gamecards must be received in the WDDOA office within 72 hours of the game. Every gamecard gets audited.

Very important: errors on the gamecards: Please make sure to verify all the information is correct before you sign it at the field: yellow and red cards to the correct players, penalty codes, the score is correct. If there is an

error, bring it up to the referee right there and then so they can rectify it. WDDOA cannot change the information after the fact.

Penalty Point Reports: please keep an accurate record of yellow and red cards for each of your players so you can make sure you sit out players that have earned suspension. Getting 3 yellow cards in 3 games means a one-game suspension. Failing to serve suspensions may end in forfeits for playing an ineligible player.

➤ **Scheduling Procedures: Initial Schedules, Reschedules, Rainouts**

Scheduling. This year, in-person meetings in San Marcos on Sunday, August 8th. Only Prime and Challenger flights. Alpha games will be scheduled online using GotSport Chat and emails with your club's field assigner. Initial Schedules will be published in GotSport on August 2nd. Do not share these with your teams.

Final schedules will be posted on the WDDOA website on September 1st. Only 2 ways to change a scheduled game: a rainout reschedule or a reschedule request.

For Reschedule requests (remember, these are requests, they may not be approved!), instructions on the Team Manager page on the WDDOA website. Strict submission deadline.

➤ **Fall 2021 Virtual Cards for All Teams: SCL / WDDOA Flights**

WDDOA only issues physical player cards for National League Frontier Conference. All players are required to have an ID photo uploaded in GotSport for Virtual Player Cards.

➤ **Team Manager Club Pass Usage Refresher - September 14, 2021**

Highly informational event, hands-on application of the Club pass rules. Apply by September 13th on the WDDOA Website.

➤ **WDDOA Rule Changes: Proposed Changes #1, #2, #3, #4**

All 4 Rules Changes about proxies. If the first rule change passes, the next 3 are about making sure the rest of the WDDOA rules have no conflicts with proxies. John Buckler reviewed the voting process on screen.

Motion to vote on all 4 rules at once: BYSO Inferno 2007B; Second: Lockhart United 08 Boys Discussion.

Motion passes by 320 out 450

➤ **WDDOA Election of Officers**

2 positions are up for election: Executive VP, John Buckler, and Treasurer, Stephen Sundquist

No nominations for EVP from the floor. Nominations closed. John Buckler elected

No nominations for Treasurer from the floor. Nominations closed. Stephen Sundquist elected

MEETING CLOSURE:

➤ **For the Good of The Game**

- WDDOA 10th Annual Pink Out the Pitch – October 23-24, 2021

- WDDOA Scheduling Meeting for Prime & Challenger – August 8, 2021

Need volunteers for the in-person scheduling meeting in August

➤ **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned by President at 8:08pm