

Georgia Soccer Bylaw Amendment Proposal
6.3.4 Duties of Treasurer

Submitted by: **Board of Directors, Georgia Soccer**

How the Bylaw Now Reads:

6.3.4 Treasurer

6.3.4.4 Prepare and submit an annual budget for approval by the voting membership at the AGM

Proposed Change or Addition:

6.3.4 Treasurer

6.3.4.4 Prepare and submit an annual budget for approval by the voting membership at the ~~AGM~~ **SAGM**

How the Bylaw Would Read with Change:

6.3.4.4 Prepare and submit an annual budget for approval by the voting membership at the SAGM

Rationale:

With the Georgia Soccer fiscal year being July 1 through June 30, submission of the budget to the membership approximately 7 months after it has been put in place does not allow the membership to effectively have voice in the budget. By moving the budget approval to the SAGM in July, the membership can have input before significant time has passed since the board has developed and adopted a budget for implementation on July 1.

Proposed Change to Bylaw
9.3. Election to office after appointment to fill unexpired term

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Existing Bylaw:

9.3 An individual may not be elected to the same office for more than two full terms. The only exception to this shall be that an individual who was appointed to fill a vacancy of an unexpired term of more than one year may not be elected for more than two full terms.

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How the Bylaw would read after proposed changes:

9.3 An individual may not be elected to the same office for more than two full terms. The only exception to this shall be that an individual who was appointed to fill a vacancy of an unexpired term may be elected for a maximum of two additional terms.

Rationale:

To clarify confusing language

(Existing policy as approved by the Board of Directors – for full membership approval)

Board of Directors Policy on Committees and Committee Development

The Georgia Soccer Bylaws establish standing committees considered essential to the conducting of the business of the Association. The Board of Directors may form additional committees from time to time as the need arises to conduct the needs of the Association on an ongoing basis.

The Board may also form task forces to accomplish a specific task or complete a designated project for the benefit of the Association; a task force would disband once its task is completed.

Requests for additional committees or task forces specific to youth or adult programs shall originate from the appropriate Vice President, who shall appoint a chair for the committee, subject to approval of the Board of Directors. For committees or task forces that serve the Association as a whole, the President shall appoint a chair, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

The committees listed below, should they be removed from the Bylaws but continue to exist or be re-established, will still be appointed as was stipulated in the Bylaws and detailed here:

Bylaws and Policy Committee

Chair appointed by the President

Three Adult members appointed by the Vice President-Adult (Adult Rules Sub-committee)

Three Youth members appointed by the Vice President-Youth (Youth Rules Sub-committee)

State Cup Committee

Adult State Cup Committee Chair appointed by the Vice President-Adult

Youth State Cup Committee Chair appointed by the Vice President-Youth

Appeals Committee

Chair

Three to five other members, all appointed by the Chair from a GSSA pool of prospective volunteers

No more than one from the same Affiliate

Discipline & Protest Committees – Adult & Youth

Chair appointed by the President from nominees provided by the appropriate Vice President and as approved by the Board of Directors

Three to five other members, all appointed by the Chair from a GSSA pool of prospective volunteers

No more than one from the same Affiliate

Ethics and Grievance Committees – Adult and Youth

Chair and members of the committee appointed by the President from nominees provided by the appropriate Vice President and as approved by the Board of Directors.

Three to five other members, from a GSSA pool of prospective volunteers

No more than one from the same Affiliate

Elite Player Development Committee

Chair appointed by Vice President-Youth, with the approval of the Board of Directors

Three to five members appointed by the Chair with the approval of the Vice President- Youth

Director of Coaching shall be a non-voting member of this committee.

Finance Committee

Chaired by the Treasurer

one member each appointed by Vice President-Youth and Vice President-Adult

Nominating Committee

Chair and four other members appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors (two of the four members recommended by each Vice President, -Adult and -Youth)

State Referee Committee

Chair appointed by the President with the approval of the Board of Directors

State Referee Administrator (SRA) appointed by the Vice President-Adult, with Board approval

State Youth Referee Administrator (SYRA) appointed by the Vice President-Youth, with Board approval

State Director of Assessors, State Director of Instruction and State Assignor Coordinator nominated by the Chair, SRA, and SYRA, subject to Board approval

One additional committee member appointed by each Vice President, with Board approval

Registrars Committee

Chair and additional member appointed by the President

(two of the four members recommended by each Vice President, -Adult and -Youth)

The Executive Director, who serves as the State Registrar, shall be a non-voting member.

Risk Management Committee

Chair and one member at-large appointed by the President

One additional member recommended by each Vice President, -Adult and -Youth, and appointed by the President

Tournament and Special Games Committee

Chair appointed by the President

Three additional members appointed by the President, including one recommended by each Vice President.

Youth Recreation Committee

The Director of Youth Recreation serves as Chair of this Committee.

The Chairman of the Committee will appoint no less than five and no more than eight members with the approval of the Vice President-Youth.

A Sub-Committee for Special Programs designed for disadvantaged and disabled players will exist within this Committee.

Youth Select Committee

The Director of Youth Select will serve as Chair of this Committee.

The Chairman of the Committee will appoint appropriate age group coordinators with the approval of the Vice President-Youth.

The Board will review existing committees and task forces, not specifically identified in the bylaws, annually to determine their viability, effectiveness and value for continued existence.

Proposed Changes to Bylaws

10.2. Standing Committees (Number)

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Existing Bylaw:

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 - 10.2.1.1 The Committee shall be composed of three (3) Adult members appointed by the Vice President-Adult, three (3) Youth members appointed by the Vice President-Youth, and a Chair appointed by the President. This committee shall be responsible for reviewing the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures of GSSA. Proposed changes shall be presented in accordance with Article 10 of the GSSA Bylaws. This committee shall review all proposed changes properly submitted in accordance with Article 10 of the GSSA Bylaws prior to their distribution to the Affiliated Members, standing Committee Chairs and the GSSA Board of Directors. This committee shall be prepared to discuss all proposed changes at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) or at the Semi Annual General Meeting (SAGM), This committee shall also be responsible for ensuring that Bylaws add Policies and Procedures are all consistent with and in compliance with the same of US Youth Soccer, US Adult Soccer and USSF.
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 - 10.2.2.1 Adult Rules Sub-Committee

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standing Committee Chairs and the GSSA Board of Directors. This committee shall be responsible for ensuring that the Adult procedures and specific rules are all consistent with and in compliance with the same of GSSA, US Adult Soccer Association and USSF.

10.2.2.2 Youth Rules Sub-Committee

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10.2.3 State Cup Committee

10.2.3.1 The Adult State Cup Committee shall be chaired by an appointee of the Vice President-Adult prior to the October meeting and will oversee the organization and administration of the Adult National Cup Competition.

10.2.3.2 The Youth State Cup Committee shall be chaired by an appointee of the Vice President-Youth will oversee the organization and administration of the U.S. Youth National Championship Series Competition.

10.2.4 Appeals Committee

10.2.4.1 This committee shall hear appeals of the rulings of the Discipline and Protest Committees and Ethics and Grievance Committees in matters pertaining to the Association and rule on such appeals in accordance with GSSA By-laws, US Youth Soccer, USASA and USSF. The Chair of this committee shall be responsible for notifying, in writing, the Board of Directors of any committee rulings. This committee's ruling may be appealed. The Appeals Committee shall be composed of the Chair and a minimum of three (3) other members, not to exceed five (5) members, appointed by the Chair for each hearing, of whom, no more than one member can be from the same Affiliate and who shall be selected from a pool of prospective volunteers maintained by GSSA. Any member of the Appeals Committee who was involved at a lower level of the current matter being appealed must recuse themselves from consideration of the current matter.

10.2.5 Discipline & Protest Committees – Adult & Youth

10.2. 5.1 These committees or any constituent sub-committee(s) or designee(s) of the Chair(s) of these committees shall hear appeals and protests that are directly related to game incidents and rule on such

matters in accordance with the By-laws, general procedures of GSSA, US Youth Soccer, US Adult Soccer and USSF. They shall meet as necessary to address allegations of misconduct and the protest of games within their appropriate jurisdiction. The Chair of these committees must provide, in writing, the rulings of the committee to the Executive Director for appropriate record keeping. The hearings conducted by these committees shall be composed of a Chair and at least three (3) other members, not to exceed five (5) members, appointed by the Chair for each hearing, of whom not more than one can be from the same Affiliate, and who shall be selected from a pool of prospective volunteers maintained by GSSA. This committee shall adhere to and comply with all the requirements of, as appropriate, GSSA, US Youth Soccer, US Adult Soccer and USSF. The Chair of the committee will be appointed by the President from nominees provided by the appropriate Vice President and as approved by the Board of Directors.

10.2.6 Ethics and Grievance Committees – Adult and Youth

10.2.6.1 These committees shall hear all grievances and questions of an ethical nature. These committees will meet upon a grievance being submitted if such grievance meets the definition required as outlined, respectively, in the Youth and Adult Council Policies and/or Rules and Regulations. The Chair of these committees must provide, in writing, the rulings of the committee to the Executive Director for appropriate record keeping. This committee shall adhere to and comply with all the requirements, as appropriate, of GSSA, US Youth Soccer, US Adult Soccer and USSF. Each Ethics and Grievance Committee shall be composed of a Chair and a minimum of three (3) other members not to exceed five (5) members for each hearing, of whom no more than one member can be from the same affiliate, and who shall be selected from a pool of prospective volunteers maintained by GSSA. The Chair and members of the committee will be appointed by the President from nominees provided by the appropriate Vice President and as approved by the Board of Directors.

10.2.7 Elite Player Development Committee

10.2.7.1 The Vice President-Youth, with the approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint the Chair. This committee shall administer the Elite Player Development Program using policies and procedures as approved by the Board of Directors. The Chair will appoint at least three (3) members and not more than five (5) to the Committee with the approval of the Vice President Youth. The Director of Coaching shall be a non-voting member of this committee.

10.2.8 Finance Committee

10.2.8.1 The Finance Committee shall be chaired by the Treasurer and shall be composed of the Treasurer, an appointment by the Vice President-Youth and an appointment by the Vice President-Adult. This committee will meet at least thirty (30) days prior the AGM and SAGM and as needed to review and recommend the budget for approval. The Committee shall review and make recommendations regarding the financial policies and procedures of the Association to the Board of Directors.

10.2.9 Nominating Committee

10.2.9.1 Prior to the October meeting, the President shall appoint a nominating committee made up of five (5) members, two (2) recommended by the Vice President-Adult, two (2) recommended by the Vice President-Youth and chaired by a person appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors.

10.2.10 State Referee Committee

10.2.10.1 This committee shall be responsible for referee development to include but not be limited to referee recruitment, instruction, assessment, assignment, administration, and to permit the state the opportunity to offer referee education experiences which will benefit the referee and state's program.

10.2.10.2 The President shall appoint with the approval of the Board of Directors the Chair of the Committee.

10.2.10.3 The Vice President-Adult will appoint, with the approval of the Board of Directors, the State Referee Administrator (SRA) to the Committee. The SRA shall be appointed for a specified two (2) year term and may be reappointed.

10.2.10.4 The Vice President-Youth will appoint with the approval of the Board of Directors the State Youth Referee Administrator to the Committee. The SYRA shall be appointed for a specified two (2) year term and may be reappointed.

10.2.10.5 The State Referee Administrator and State Youth Referee Administrator shall be members of this committee and with the State Referee Committee Chair shall nominate candidates for the State Director of Assessors, State Director of Instruction and State Assignor Coordinator, all of whom shall become members of this committee after approval by the Board of Directors.

10.2.10.6 There shall be a Committee member appointed by the Vice President-Adult with approval by the Board of Directors.

10.2.10.7 There shall be a Committee member appointed by the Vice President-Youth with approval by the Board of Directors.

10.2.10.8 The Committee will meet monthly.

10.2.11 Registrars Committee

10.2.11.1 The President shall appoint a Registrars Committee made up of a total of five (5) members consisting of:

10.2.11.1.1 A Chairman

10.2.11.1.2 Two (2) positions recommended by the Vice President-Adult

10.2.11.1.3 Two (2) positions recommended by the Vice President-Youth

10.2.11.1.4 The Committee shall review and make recommendations on player and team registration policies to the Board of Directors for approval. The Executive Director, who serves as the State Registrar, shall be a non-voting member and will be responsible for maintenance of the Association's membership databases and mailing lists.

10.2.10 Risk Management Committee

10.2.10.1 The President shall appoint a Risk Management Committee made up of four (4) members

10.2.10.2 The President shall appoint an individual as Chairman of the Committee and a member at-large

10.2.10.3 The Vice-President-Adult will recommend one member to the President

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10.2.11 Tournament and Special Games Committee

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10.2.12 Youth Recreation Committee

10.2.12.1 The Vice President-Youth will appoint a Chairman of this Committee.

10.2.12.2 The Chairman of the Committee will appoint no less than five (5) and no more than eight (8) members with the approval of the Vice President-Youth.

10.2.12.3 A Sub-Committee for Special Programs designed for disadvantaged and disabled players will exist within this Committee.

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10.2.13 Youth Select Committee

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10.2.13.2 The Chairman of the Committee will appoint no less than three (3) and no more than five (5) members with the approval of the Vice President-Youth.

10.2.13.3 The Committee will oversee that Youth Select program activities and make recommendations to the Vice President-Youth and the Youth Council on policies and rules and regulations.

10.2.13.4 The Committee will be comprised of two Sub-Committees for the Boys Select Program and Girls Select Program.

10.2.13.5 The Vice President-Youth shall appoint a Boy's Select Sub-Committee Chair and a Girl's Select Sub-Committee Chair from among the Youth Select Committee members.

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Bylaw w/ proposed changes:

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10.2.1 Bylaws and Policy Committee

10.2.1.1 The Committee shall be composed of three (3) Adult

members appointed by the Vice President-Adult, three (3) Youth members appointed by the Vice President-Youth, and a Chair appointed by the President. This committee shall be responsible for reviewing the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures of GSSA. Proposed changes shall be presented in accordance with Article 10 of the GSSA Bylaws. This committee shall review all proposed changes properly submitted in accordance with Article 10 of the GSSA Bylaws prior to their distribution to the Affiliated Members, standing Committee Chairs and the GSSA Board of Directors. This committee shall be prepared to discuss all proposed changes at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) or at the Semi Annual General Meeting (SAGM), This committee shall also be responsible for ensuring that Bylaws add Policies and Procedures are all consistent with and in compliance with the same of US Youth Soccer, US Adult Soccer and USSF.

10.2.2 Rules Committee

10.2.2.1 Adult Rules Sub-Committee

The three (3) Adult members shall be the Adult Rules Sub-Committee of the Bylaws and Policy Committee and shall be responsible for reviewing the Adult procedures and rules. Proposed rules shall be presented in accordance with Article 10 of the GSSA Bylaws. This Committee shall review all proposed changes properly submitted in accordance with Article 10 of the GSSA Bylaws prior to their distribution to the Affiliates, standing Committee Chairs and the GSSA Board of Directors. This committee shall be responsible for ensuring that the Adult procedures and specific rules are all consistent with and in compliance with the same of GSSA, US Adult Soccer Association and USSF.

10.2.2.2 Youth Rules Sub-Committee

The three (3) Youth members shall be the Youth Rules Sub-committee of the Bylaws and Policy committee and shall be responsible for reviewing the Youth procedures and rules. Proposed rules shall be presented in accordance with Article 10 of the GSSA Bylaws. This Committee shall review all proposed changes properly submitted in accordance with Article 10 of the GSSA Bylaws prior to their distribution to the Affiliated Members, standing Committee Chairs and the GSSA Board of Directors. This committee shall be responsible for ensuring that the Youth procedures and specific rules are all consistent with and in compliance with the same of GSSA, US Youth Soccer Association and USSF.

10.2.3 Appeals Committee

10.2.3.1 This committee shall hear appeals of the rulings of the Discipline and Protest Committees and Ethics and Grievance Committees in matters pertaining to the Association and rule on such appeals in accordance with GSSA By-laws, US Youth Soccer, USASA and USSF. The Chair of this committee shall be responsible for notifying, in writing, the Board of Directors of any committee rulings. This committee's ruling may be appealed. The Appeals Committee shall be composed of the Chair and a minimum of three (3) other members, not to exceed five (5) members,

appointed by the Chair for each hearing, of whom, no more than one member can be from the same Affiliate and who shall be selected from a pool of prospective volunteers maintained by GSSA. Any member of the Appeals Committee who was involved at a lower level of the current matter being appealed must recuse themselves from consideration of the current matter.

10.2.4 Discipline & Protest Committees – Adult & Youth

10.2. 4.1 These committees or any constituent sub-committee(s) or designee(s) of the Chair(s) of these committees shall hear appeals and protests that are directly related to game incidents and rule on such matters in accordance with the By-laws, general procedures of GSSA, US Youth Soccer, US Adult Soccer and USSF. They shall meet as necessary to address allegations of misconduct and the protest of games within their appropriate jurisdiction. The Chair of these committees must provide, in writing, the rulings of the committee to the Executive Director for appropriate record keeping. The hearings conducted by these committees shall be composed of a Chair and at least three (3) other members, not to exceed five (5) members, appointed by the Chair for each hearing, of whom not more than one can be from the same Affiliate, and who shall be selected from a pool of prospective volunteers maintained by GSSA. This committee shall adhere to and comply with all the requirements of, as appropriate, GSSA, US Youth Soccer, US Adult Soccer and USSF. The Chair of the committee will be appointed by the President from nominees provided by the appropriate Vice President and as approved by the Board of Directors.

10.2.5 Ethics and Grievance Committees – Adult and Youth

10.2.5.1 These committees shall hear all grievances and questions of an ethical nature. These committees will meet upon a grievance being submitted if such grievance meets the definition required as outlined, respectively, in the Youth and Adult Council Policies and/or Rules and Regulations. The Chair of these committees must provide, in writing, the rulings of the committee to the Executive Director for appropriate record keeping. This committee shall adhere to and comply with all the requirements, as appropriate, of GSSA, US Youth Soccer, US Adult Soccer and USSF. Each Ethics and Grievance Committee shall be composed of a Chair and a minimum of three (3) other members not to exceed five (5) members for each hearing, of whom no more than one member can be from the same affiliate, and who shall be selected from a pool of prospective volunteers maintained by GSSA. The Chair and members of the committee will be appointed by the President from nominees provided by the appropriate Vice President and as approved by the Board of Directors.

10.2.6 Finance Committee

10.2.6.1 The Finance Committee shall be chaired by the Treasurer and shall be composed of the Treasurer, an appointment by the Vice President-Youth and an appointment by the Vice President-Adult. This committee will meet at least thirty (30) days prior the AGM and SAGM and as needed to review and recommend the budget for approval. The Committee shall review and make recommendations regarding the

financial policies and procedures of the Association to the Board of Directors.

10.2.7 Nominating Committee

10.2.7.1 Prior to the October meeting, the President shall appoint a nominating committee made up of five (5) members, two (2) recommended by the Vice President-Adult, two (2) recommended by the Vice President-Youth and chaired by a person appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors.

10.2.8 State Referee Committee

10.2.8.1 This committee shall be responsible for referee development to include but not be limited to referee recruitment, instruction, assessment, assignment, administration, and to permit the state the opportunity to offer referee education experiences which will benefit the referee and state's program.

10.2.8.2 The President shall appoint with the approval of the Board of Directors the Chair of the Committee.

10.2.8.3 The Vice President-Adult will appoint, with the approval of the Board of Directors, the State Referee Administrator (SRA) to the Committee. The SRA shall be appointed for a specified two (2) year term and may be reappointed.

10.2.8.4 The Vice President-Youth will appoint with the approval of the Board of Directors the State Youth Referee Administrator to the Committee. The SYRA shall be appointed for a specified two (2) year term and may be reappointed.

10.2.8.5 The State Referee Administrator and State Youth Referee Administrator shall be members of this committee and with the State Referee Committee Chair shall nominate candidates for the State Director of Assessors, State Director of Instruction and State Assignor Coordinator, all of whom shall become members of this committee after approval by the Board of Directors.

10.2.8.6 There shall be a Committee member appointed by the Vice President-Adult with approval by the Board of Directors.

10.2.8.7 There shall be a Committee member appointed by the Vice President-Youth with approval by the Board of Directors.

10.2.8.8 The Committee will meet monthly.

10.2.9 Youth Recreation Committee

10.2.9.1 The Vice President-Youth will appoint a Chairman of this Committee.

10.2.9.2 The Chairman of the Committee will appoint no less than five (5) and no more than eight (8) members with the approval of the Vice President-Youth.

10.2.9.3 A Sub-Committee for Special Programs designed for disadvantaged and disabled players will exist within this Committee.

10.2.9.4 The Committee will oversee all youth recreation activities and make recommendations on policies and rules to the Vice President-Youth.

10.2.10 Youth Select Committee

10.2.10.1 The Vice President-Youth will appoint a Chairman of this Committee.

10.2.10.2 The Chairman of the Committee will appoint no less than three (3) and no more than five (5) members with the approval of the Vice President-Youth.

10.2.10.3 The Committee will oversee that Youth Select program activities and make recommendations to the Vice President-Youth and the Youth Council on policies and rules and regulations.

10.2.10.4 The Committee will be comprised of two Sub-Committees for the Boys Select Program and Girls Select Program.

10.2.10.5 The Vice President-Youth shall appoint a Boy's Select Sub-Committee Chair and a Girl's Select Sub-Committee Chair from among the Youth Select Committee members.

10.2.10.6 The Chairman of these two Sub-Committees will appoint members of their Committee based upon the current needs of the Select Program to organize and manage their program.

10.2.10.7 The Youth Select Committee will meet at least two (2) times per year.

Rationale:

Best practices on bylaw structure, as well as our strategic planning facilitator and our Parliamentarian, recommend a much smaller number of standing committees than those we describe in our Bylaws. Our programs generally should not require standing committees for their day-to-day operations.

If a youth, adult, or staff support ad hoc committee is needed, the originator of the request and the suggested population of the committee need to come from the group that needs the ad hoc committee's services.

The policy on Committees and Committee Development, as stated above, would preserve authority for appointment and nomination of committee chairs and members.