



MINUTES

Georgia Soccer Board of Directors Meeting June 23, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Virtual

- I. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by President Neil McNab at 7:02 p.m.
- II. **BOD Attendance:**
 - A. **Voting Members Present:** Neil McNab, Melissa Camp, Micah Wilson, Geriano Viveros, Mark Bloom, Karon Beyer, Tricia Biando, Tommy Zavieh
 - B. **Non-Voting Members Present:** Kevin Biando, Leigh Jakes, Jim Walker (Executive Director)
 - C. **Guests Present:** None.
 - D. **Members Not Present:** AJ Hurst (non-voting), Juan Castillo (voting), David Miles (voting), Donald Barksdale (voting)
- III. **Correspondence:** None.
- IV. **Consent Agenda**
 - A. Approval of Minutes (May 19, 2025) – Joint Motion by Karon, Seconded by Melissa, Approved unanimously
 - B. Approval of Financials (May, 2025) – Joint Motion by Karon, Seconded by Melissa, Approved unanimously
 - C. State Referee Administrator Nominee Richy Serota – Joint Motion by Karon, Seconded by Melissa, Approved unanimously, Term to start July 1, 2025
- V. **Items Not on Consent Agenda**
 - A. Jim provided general updates related to GSSA on the following:
 - i. Adult State Cup and Adult Regionals, along with GA referees attending
 - Two adult teams advanced to Adult Amateur Cup Regionals but did not advance.
 - ii. Reminder on Collective Global one-on-ones
 - iii. USYS Regionals in June/July
 - GSSA sent six teams and finished 3-3 each day for a 9-9 overall Group Stage record with two teams advancing to the semifinals, though both lost.
 - At South Region National Championships, GSSA sent 13 teams and finished with 10 wins, 19 losses, and 10 draws. Two teams advanced to the semi-finals, though both lost 0:1 (one in overtime).
 - iv. Jim and Melissa are attending USYS AGM in Florida in July
 - v. SAGM venue is set for August 9 at the Atlanta Marriott Perimeter Center in Dunwoody
 - vi. Neil and Melissa are attending the USYS Grassroots Leadership Symposium in Kansas City in September.
 - vii. Jim and Cristina are attending the USASA AGM in Chicago in September. Karon Beyer will also be present, as Secretary for USASA.
 - B. Youth General Update
 - i. Melissa provided updates on NL and GSSA State League registrations
 - ii. She noted that Presidents Cup Regionals went well and was a nice venue
 - C. Youth Recreational Update – None.
 - D. Youth Select Update

- i. Micah noted that he was attending National Championship South Regionals in Dallas in late June.
- ii. Micah raised the issue of league scheduling issues due to reduced registrations

E. Adult General

- i. Karon provided an update on Adult State Cup and Adult Regionals, noting that the event was marred by lots of rain, causing game delays. She hopes to build on this year's success and win Regionals next year!
- ii. Karon thanked Jim and Cristina for their efforts in putting together the Adult State Cup and assisting with Regional administrative responsibilities.
- iii. Karon noted that there were 7 teams in the Men's Amateur division for State Cup, 2 women's teams in the open division, and 2 men's teams in the Over 40 division. She also noted that they were very close to having an Over 30 men's team as well.

F. Referee Update

- i. Kevin advised that there were 20 great referees and 4 referee mentor/coaches that were headed to South Region National Championships and that some referees were selected to advance to Nationals.
- ii. Kevin noted that the SRA candidate process started with 12 applications that were ultimately narrowed down to the final individual – Richy Serota.

G. Board Member Updates – Nothing else other than what is set forth above.

VI. Good of the Game

- A.** Jim advised that Karon Beyer was elected to the USASA Hall of Fame with the induction ceremony scheduled to occur at the USASA AGM in September.
- B.** Jim thanked Leigh for her constant efforts to secure Atlanta United tickets for various giveaways, including most recently some tickets for distribution through Coaching Education.
- C.** Neil praised the Female Coaches Collective that commenced this past May.
- D.** Karon noted that USASA is working with The Collective Global with meetings in D.C. in June.
- E.** It was also noted that Donald scored during the GSSA Adult State Cup! Way to show!

VII. Executive Session: None.

VIII. Adjournment: Next regularly scheduled meeting set for July 28. Karon made a motion for the adjournment of the meeting which was seconded by Melissa. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.