

GEORGIA STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION, INC.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
March 7, 2026
General Council Session 10:30 AM
Atlanta Marriott, Perimeter Center
MINUTES

- I. Call to Order and Moment of Silence by Neil McNab, BOD President, at 10:34 a.m.
 - a. Recognition of the passing of Ray Connelly, Life Member
- II. Welcome from President Neil McNab. Introduction of special guest and announcements
 - a. Appreciation of all GSSA partners and sponsors, including Wendy's, Publix, Prime, DICK'S, Trace, Roundglass Living, Marcet, The Collective Global, and Get on the Bus
 - b. Introduction of Board of Directors and Staff
 - c. Michael Malamut, Parliamentarian
 - d. Andrew Schoppe and Collin Lisa, Youth Protection Services
- III. Roll Call - Attendance taken by Kim Bowen, Director of Member Services
 - a. Credentials announced, quorum established with 130 total votes present
- IV. Approval of minutes from August, 2025 Semi-Annual General Meeting – minutes approved
- V. Board, Committee, and Audit Reports
- VI. General Update from Jim Walker, Executive Director
- VII. Elections – Matt Dismer (unopposed) elected as Treasurer
- VIII. Georgia Soccer Bylaw Changes
 - a. New affiliate procedures for perspective Youth and Adult members and provisional membership granted by GSSA BOD – PASSED
 - b. Housekeeping modifications to bylaws - PASSED
 - c. Committee changes, particularly for the Bylaw Review Committee – PASSED
- IX. New Affiliate Application Approvals:
 - a. Statesboro Stars SC – APPROVED as new member
- X. Awards
 - a. Of the Year:
 - i. Coach of the Year (Youth): Denis Barlov of Piedmont SA
 - ii. Administrator of the Year: Cara Murray of Rush Union Soccer
 - iii. Volunteer of the Year: Keith Allen of UFA South Georgia
 - iv. Coach of the Year (Adult): Peter Mbugua of Jamhuri FC
 - v. Young Referee of the Year (Male): Jason Pantea of Auburn/Dacula area
 - vi. Young Referee of the Year (Female): Alyssa Gibson of Savannah area
 - b. Hall of Fame Inductions:
 - i. Jacob Daniel – GSSA Director of Coaching
 - ii. Juliet Melvin – Club Administrator and former GSSA staff member
 - iii. Willy Thomas (posthumous) - Referee
- XI. Other Business – none to report.
- XII. Good of the Game
- XIII. Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.