# TEXAS STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION-SOUTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES-CORPUS CHRISTI AUGUST 10, 2024

1:05PM Annual General Meeting called to order.

President, Pascal Piazza welcomed and thanked everyone for traveling to Corpus Christi.

**Leagues Present:** Coastal Bend Women's Soccer Association, Houston Women's Soccer Association, San Antonio Soccer Association, Women's Soccer of San Antonio, Thirty and Over Recreational Soccer Organization-Jessica Proxy, Round Rock Women's Soccer League, Rio Valley Amateur Soccer League, Corpus Christi Adult Soccer League

- **1. Credentials/Roll Call:** Total is 20 votes, the two-thirds vote is 18 and the majority is 11. Pascal asked if there were any comments or objections to the credentials. In the absence of any opposition, the Credentials were accepted and adopted.
- **2. Minutes:** The minutes from the TSSAS Semi-Annual General Meeting from March 23, 2024, were reviewed and accepted by acclamation.

## 3. Elections:

**Vice President:** Renee Rodriguez out of SASA nominated Edward Canales out of HWSA, Jeanne Smith, TSSAS Women's Commissioner nominated Claudella Wright, current Vice President. Votes were submitted and Claudella was re-elected as TSSAS Vice President, with no objection by acclamation.

**Secretary:** Edward Canales out of HWSA nominated Renee Rodriguez out of SASA. Jeanne Smith, TSSAS Women's Commissioner nominated Jessica Stockton. Votes were submitted, results were announced. There was an objection was made by Renee, HWSA had not submitted all their votes. Votes were recounted and Jessica was re-elected as TSSAS Secretary, with no other objections by acclamation.

**Treasurer:** Debra Anno was re-elected by acclamation.

# 4. Officer Reports:

**President:** Pascal's report stands as written on page 13 in the Book of Reports. Pascal thanked the board which he states is the best Board and thanked the members for all their hard work and dedication to soccer.

**Vice President:** Claudella's report stands as written on pages 14 in the Book of Reports. Claudella became a member of the TSSAS Grant Committee, chaired by Jinny Sutherland. The nine-member committee met monthly by zoom through May 2024. The committee's goal was to apply for a US Soccer Innovation to Grow grant to purchase and develop additional soccer

fields in the Houston area. The meetings were put on hold at the end of May after the US Corp or Engineers said the land the committee was interested in that used to be a golf course would not be a good location for new soccer fields.

Next step is continuing to seek alternative locations for soccer fields and reassess the situation and reconvene the committee once new options are identified.

**Treasurer:** Debbie's report stands as written on page 15 in the Book of Reports. The Budget Committee is going to prepare for the upcoming 2025-2026 budget planning, ensuring alignment with organizational goals and financial strategies. Start Date to meet is in January 2025.

**Secretary:** Jessica's report stands as written on page 16 in the Book of Reports. Thanked those who helped find this hotel in Corpus Christi. Planned the first social event Friday night at the hotel and is hoping to continue these events at future meetings.

**Men's Commissioner:** Gloria's report stands as written on page 22 in the Book of Reports.

**Women's Commissioner:** Jeanne's report stands as written on pages 18-20 in the Book of Reports. Jeanne attended the Region III National Cup and 8v8 Soccer is Life Tournament in Greensville, South Carolina. Plans for the next tournament in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, aiming to increase participation from South Texas, particularly in the 8v8 category. The successful introduction of the over 55 age category in the State Cup was also noted, showcasing the team's commitment to inclusivity and competition.

**Coed Commissioner:** Jasen's report stands as written on page 21 in the Book of Reports. He stated he survived his first Co-ed State Cup. One change that was made was he had night games. For the future tournaments he is going to find suitable fields that meet the budget and quality expectations, will solicit bids from multiple fields to ensure pricing and options. 2025 State Cup is planned to be June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Administrator:** Harmony's report stands as written on page 25 in the Book of Reports.

## **Committees:**

**Grants:** Discussed in Claudella's report

**D&P:** There are two open appeals out of Houston Women's Soccer Association, with a decision expected mid-next week. If the outcome is unfavorable for any party, they have the option to appeal to the board for further review.

**Budget/Financials:** Report is on pages 24-31 in the Book of Reports. The only update needed to be made is on page 27 for the Budget vs Actual there is \$22,012.75 listed for International Income, with an additional \$2,382.60 recently received, although it is uncertain if this will be the final payment. Debbie is excited to meet with the Budget Committee again set for in January 2025.

USASA Annual General Meeting September 27-29, 2024 in Frisco, TX

# **Good of the Game:**

Tournaments:

Octoberfest: October 19-20, 2024 in Houston, TX Lovefest: February 8-9, 2025 in San Antonio, TX

Fiesta Tournament: April 26-27, 2025 in San Antonio, TX

Meeting Adjourned: 2:10PM