WDDOA - Governing Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 17, 2025

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

Call to Order
President Joe Payton called the 2025 WDDOA General Membership Meeting to order and welcomed attendees to the kickoff meeting for the upcoming year.

Roll Call and Introductions
Joe introduced the WDDOA Governing Board members present:

- John Buckler, Executive Vice President
- Dora Boyle, Secretary
- Stephen Sundquist, Treasurer
- John Jones, Commissioner of Referees

ROLL CALL & VOTE ACCREDITATION:
Dora Boyle confirmed that WDDOA has 473 teams, requiring 237 teams for quorum. Quorum was met.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 18, 2024 General Membership Meeting
The minutes from the July 18, 2024 General Membership Meeting were made available on the WDDOA website prior to this meeting. Attendees were encouraged to review them in advance.

- A motion to approve the minutes was made by Force FC 14G White
- The motion was seconded by Leander FC 2011 B Gray
- A vote was conducted via a show of hands on the webinar dashboard

The motion passed and the minutes were approved

OLD BUSINESS:
We have no old business.

REPORTS:

➢ **Officers Reports** (* Signifies positions up for election July 2025)

Executive Vice-President* – John Buckler
State Cup / Presidents Cup / Directors Cup: Tournament Highlights & Regional Success
John Buckler shared updates on WDDOA team participation and achievements in recent regional and national competitions.

Commissioner of Referees – John Jones
Review of South Texas and WDDOA referees at Regional and National Events

Secretary – Dora Boyle
No Report

Treasurer* – Stephen Sundquist
Good financial standing

President – Joe Payton
President Joe Payton introduced Mike Erwin, representing the WDDOA Directors' Council, to deliver the Council's report.

➢ **Committee Reports**

Mike Erwin presented a comprehensive overview of the 2024–2025 seasonal year and shared updates on league operations, player movement, and policy changes.

Speaker: Joe Payton

Joe Payton presented an overview of the WDDOA flight structure and scheduling approach for the 2025–2026 seasonal year. Key updates and reminders were shared to help teams and clubs prepare for the upcoming season regarding brackets, levels of play, travel expectations, and general rules of competition.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **WDDOA Rosters: Adult Compliance / Player Photos**

The WDDOA office reminded all teams and clubs of the critical role registrars play in preparing official team paperwork, including rosters and player cards. To support this process, coaches and team managers were asked to assist with two key responsibilities: Player Photos and Adult Compliance Requirements
Full instructions and compliance details are available on the Manager/Coach Resources page at www.wddoa.org

- **Progressive Discipline System**

The WDDOA office provided an overview of the STYSA Progressive Discipline System

  - U.S. Soccer: Referee Abuse Prevention Policy (Policy 531-9)

The Federation rolled out the Referee Abuse Prevention Policy that became active in March 2025. Multiple documents aare available to walk you through the changes.

  - STX Soccer: Proposed Rule Changes Overview

Several STYSA rule changes have been proposed for the upcoming year. These changes fall into two main categories: Compliance with U.S. Soccer Referee Abuse Prevention Policy and Housekeeping & Process Alignment.

- **Season Preparation Meetings**

August 5th and 6th: Club-Focused Virtual Meetings

- Covers league requirements, deadlines, game-day procedures, Club Pass usage, and more
- Meeting schedule is posted on the WDDOA website
- Links were sent to club DOCs on July 15th
- Clubs may request a time/date change via the Google Form

- **WDDOA Election of Officers**

Joe Payton announced that two officer positions were up for election during this meeting:

- Vice-President
- Treasurer

All current officeholders have chosen to run for re-election. No additional nominations were presented during the meeting. No candidates from the floor.
Voting procedures and results were recorded and certified per WDDOA bylaws all candidates approved.

- **For the Good of The Game**

  WDDOA 14th Annual Pink Out the Pitch – October 18-19, 2025

Adjournment

President Joe Payton thanked all attendees for participating in the 2025 WDDOA General Membership Meeting. He reminded everyone that the WDDOA website remains the primary source of information throughout the seasonal year.
Attendees were encouraged to use the "?" icon on the webinar dashboard to submit any final questions.
WDDOA staff remained available after the meeting to assist with follow-up inquiries.

➢ The meeting was officially adjourned at7:45pm.