

# Agenda for NTVSA Spring 2016 Season End Meeting

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Date: May 16, 2016

Start: 7:00 PM

End: TBD

Location: Richardson Women's Club  
2005 North Cliffe Drive  
Richardson, TX 75082

Organizer: Amanda Hall—President

Board: Sylvia Brown—Vice President  
Catherine Morgan—Treasurer  
Rachene' Badii—League Commissioner  
Paula McFarlin—Field Coordinator  
Patti Callahan—Secretary

Guest Parliamentarian      Gordon Finch

## Introductions

- Roll Call by Patti Callahan @ 7:15 PM

Teams not in attendance:

Adrenaline	Blue Diamonds	Dallas Storm
Hot Mess	OC Rockets	SOS
Rebels FC	Crush	GC Crew
JOTS	Sirens	

Each team was directly given a ballot for voting purposes by Pam Hill as they were checked off as present during roll call.

- Introduce Board Members by Amanda Hall  
All Present
- Positions available to elect and vote on
  - President—May even years
  - Treasurer—May even years
  - Field Coordinator—even years
- Introduce Commissioners
  - Division 1, O30-4 & O-40—Glenda Malone
  - Division 2, O30-1 & O30-5—Pam Hill
  - Division 3 & O30-2—Cindy Yaws
  - Division 4 & O30-3—Michelle Guerrero

All Present

## Topics

- P & L Statement—attached at the end of the agenda.

### Anna Sparkman

- Labor Day Blast Tournament is September 3 & 4, 2016—only hosted by NTWSA. Will still have Competitive and Recreational Co-Ed Divisions. Please check the website for more information! She asked the captains to please spread the word and invite teams to join our tournament.

### John O’Kane

- Referee Assignor that spoke on behalf of referee assignors for the NTWSA league. He stated that the assignors have not had a pay increase in the last 11 years to accommodate for a cost of living raise. They have to pay for software to in order to assign the games efficiently and to please take this into consideration and give them a raise. He stated that the assistant referees were not getting paid competitively in comparison to the youth leagues. NTWSA is losing referees to the youth and other leagues because they are getting paid more in the other leagues. As a response to this Amanda stated that the captains voted in January to increase the AR fees to \$35 starting Fall 2016. John also stated that when referees accept the assignment of a “3 game set” they hate when the middle game is forfeited because they have to sit around for almost two hours and not get paid for that time. If teams forfeit less than 72 hours they do not get paid but it is now difficult for the referees to find another set of games to be assigned to so that they can make the income they that depend on. There was concern stated from the floor that the AR’s want to be paid competitively but they need to be assessed because some of them are not performing their job in a professional manner by not giving full attention to the game they are refereeing. Amanda stated that we are in the process of getting assessors out to our games and we are currently working out a schedule to make that happen. John also stated that he is in weekly contact with Paula and she lets him know who is underperforming and he does/has removed referees that are not doing their job.

### Standing Committee Reports

- Rules & Regulation
  - Rachene’ Badii—Chairperson  
Stated the names of all the members on the committee. Stated that the committee has met one time and have started working on the “housekeeping”.
  - Sylvia Brown
  - Paula McFarlin
  - Cametrice Jackson
  - Patti Callahan
  - Marty Yarborough
  - Pat Saucedo
- Awards Committee
  - Patti Callahan—Chairperson  
Stated the names of all the members on the committee. Asked for other volunteers to join the committee because new ideas are needed.

- Rachene' Badii
- Cametrice Jackson
- Budget & Finance
  - Catherine Morgan—Chairperson
 

Stated the names of all the members on the committee. Stated that they have not met yet because of the position of treasurer being voted on tonight. Once tonight's elections were done then the committee would be meeting within the next two weeks if she gets voted back in as treasurer.
  - Gloria Mannino
  - Janis Slaine
- Nominating Committee
  - Pam Hill--Chairperson
  - Amy Cummings
- Appeals & Disciplinary Committee
  - Sylvia Brown—Chairperson
 

Stated that every captain is required to give her two names from her team that become part of the A & D Committee. She does call on them throughout the season when necessary to have an A & D Hearing and it is the members who decide the punishment within the scope of the rules.
- Audit Committee
  - Amanda Hall—Chairperson
 

Stated that the Executive Board voted yes to hire a CPA to look at our books and the Rules & Bylaws to ensure that we are in compliance with them. The CPA is familiar with controls and procedures. The CPA is not conducting the official audit but getting us ready for an audit. The cost for an official audit will cost the league between \$10,000 and \$20,000.

Paula McFarlin

- Over-50 Inter-League
 

McKinney, Ft. Worth, Arlington, and NTWSA are very interested in forming this inter-league play. Only need 4 teams to form this league and each team can register within their home association. Looking to start this league in Fall 2016 and games would possibly be played all over the metroplex.
- Dallas WPSL team
 

She recently went to the tryouts that were held for the new Dallas team and she gave us a schedule of the games that will be played.
- Make-up games
 

She asked teams that still have make-up games to please come and talk with her after the meeting.
- Referee Meeting
 

This meeting is being hosted in conjunction with the men's league, co-ed league, and NTWSA. Please send us any questions or concerns that you would like for us to present to the referees at this meeting. It is being hosted in June at the Richardson Civics Center.

Rachene' Badii

- Forfeits
- Game Sheets

The game sheets need to be typed—not handwritten. Handwritten sheets are sometimes very difficult to read and this makes the referees job of checking in players a difficult and time consuming process. Rach and Patti are currently trying to figure out how to get pre-rostered game sheets so the only thing the captains' have to do is fill in information related to game time, field, and dates.

- Online calendar

Rach and Patti have created an online calendar. Please check the homepage periodically because it contains important information pertaining to the league.

- Player Pool

Currently trying to figure out a way for captains to have access to this information online without giving out potential players personal information.

- Registration Dates

Rach explained the registration dates listed below. She also stated that we are separating the registration links because we learned a tremendous amount from our first time doing online registration in the spring in relation to what worked well and what did not work and needed to be done differently.

### Fall 2016 Dates

May 20--June 15, 2016	<b>TEAM REGISTRATION by Captains</b> (online through website) Open, O30 & O40 will each have a separate registration link. NO DEPOSIT REQUIRED
July 1, 2016	<b>Individual Player Registration Opens</b> (online through website) Individual Player Registration (\$70) Dual Registration (70 + 40 = \$110) Open, O30 & O40 will each have a separate registration link.
July 15, 2016	<b>Team Reschedule Requests</b> If you requested a date off during the Fall 2016 Season then the \$20 per request must be RECEIVED by this date in order to honor your request. Payments may be made via PayPal, cash at the office or a mailed check to the office.
July 22, 2016	<b>Every team must have at least 14 players registered and paid by this date in order to reserve your spot in the league.</b> At this point in time we must do team placements, reserve fields and start the scheduling process.
July 30, 2016	<b>Only players that have registered and paid by this date will have their cards given to their captains at the Beginning of Season Meeting on August 15, 2016.</b> If players register after this date then they will need to pick up their cards during the posted ID Sessions on the website (ID Session dates TBD).
August 15, 2016	<b>CAPTAIN'S MEETING—7 PM</b> No longer accepting registration payments at captains meeting! <b>Richardson Women's Club</b> 2005 N Cliffe, Richardson, TX 75082

August 21, 2016	<b>First game of the season!</b>
October 30, 2016	<b>Last game of the season!</b>
	<b>ID SESSIONS—TBD</b> <b>Please check the website starting in late June for more information on things concerning the league!</b>
November 6, 2016 November 13, 2016 November 20, 2016	<b>Possible make-up dates if the season needs to be extended.</b>

Drawing for Team Give-Aways:

Legends O-40	FC Dallas Tickets	June 2, 2016
Fine Whine	FC Dallas Tickets	June 25, 2016
40-Ever Young	T-shirt	
TX Stars	FC Dallas Tickets	July 14, 2016
Eclipse	FC Dallas Tickets	July 31, 2016
La Fuerza	T-shirt	
Weekend Warriors	NTSSA metal drink holder (Weekend Warriors gave this to Weekend Warriors)	
Hericane O-40	NTSSA Polo Shirt	
Sprint O-40	FC Dallas Tickets	August 13, 2016
Get Lucky	NTSSA carry-all bag	

**Amanda Hall**

Addressed an email sent to her regarding NTWSA possibly purchasing land to build the league's own playing fields. Amanda stated this has been an item on the agenda for over a decade.

Limelight Captain stated that she believes that this is something that needs to be discussed and voted on by the captains because it is such a huge monetary purchase.

Limelight's captain made a motion to put this on the agenda for the next meeting as unfinished business.

Sundevil's captain Seconded the motion.

**Amanda Hall**

Introduced Gordon Finch to the captains and made a motion to accept him as the parliamentarian for the rule changes and for the elections.

A captain from the floor Seconded the motion.

**Vote for Rule Changes on ballot**

### **PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #1:**

Paula McFarlin made a motion to propose the first rule change in regard to uniforms.

Captain Susan Watkins Seconded the motion.

Gordon Finch then read the rule (see below) to the captains.

### **SECTION IX. Uniforms**

#### **A. Field Uniforms**

A normal uniform consists of a jersey, shorts, socks, soccer cleats, tennis, or training shoes and manufactured shinguards. (Shinguards are mandatory and must be covered by the player's socks. Players without shinguards will not be allowed to play.) No cut offs, casts, metal cleats, or hazardous wearing apparel such as caps with a bill, visors, and protruding metal (e.g. zippers, studs, large or dangling jewelry) are allowed.

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### **Proposed by: NTWSA Executive Board**

### **REASON FOR RULE CHANGE:**

Leggings are not part of an official soccer uniform but may be worn under playing shorts for comfort and/or warmth.

### **DECISION:**

After the rule was read, Gordon opened up the floor for discussion.

After a long discussion, Juventus captain made a motion to postpone the rule change and allow for it to be rewritten and presented at the August 15, 2016 Captains' Meeting.

Weekend Warriors Captain Seconded the motion.

## **PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #2:**

Paula McFarlin made a motion to propose the second rule change in regard to forfeits.

Captain Susan Watkins Seconded the motion.

Gordon Finch then read the rule (see below) to the captains.

### **SECTION XIII. Forfeits**

#### **EXISTING RULE:**

#### **B. Forfeiting Less than 72 Hours Prior to a Game**

Any team forfeiting less than 72 hours prior to a game shall be held responsible for all expenses incurred by the Association for the forfeited game (i.e., referee fees plus a flat fee of \$20 for administrative fees). In the case of a double forfeit, both teams will split in half the fees that need to be paid.

1. If a team forfeits two games in a season, they will be required to post a \$60 performance bond for each remaining game in the season. The following season, the team will be required to post a \$300 performance bond to be eligible to register and play. For the purpose of this rule, a "team" that is required to post a performance bond shall be defined as consisting of any five players from the same prior team who registers on the same roster, regardless of any change of team name or other team changes.
2. If a team forfeits three (3) or more games in a season, that team will not be allowed to register the following season.
3. No more than three (3) players from the team that forfeited three (3) or more games will be allowed to register together on a team for the following season.

#### **PROPOSED RULE CHANGE:**

#### **(ADD LETTER C. and D. TO SECTIONS XIII, FORFEITS)**

#### **B. Forfeiting Less than 96 Hours Prior to a Game**

Any team forfeiting less than 96 hours prior to a game shall be held responsible for all expenses incurred by the Association for the forfeited game (i.e., referee fees plus **an administrative fee**). In the case of a double forfeit, both teams will split in half the fees that need to be paid.

1. If a team forfeits two games in a season less than 96 hours, they **may** be required to post a \$60 performance bond for each remaining game in the season. The following season, the team **may** be required to post a \$300 performance bond to be eligible to register and play **pending a NTWSA**

**hearing.** For the purpose of this rule, a “team” that is required to post a performance bond shall be defined as consisting of any five players from the same **team or** prior team who registers on the same roster, regardless of any change of team name or other team changes.

2. If a team forfeits three (3) or more games in a season, that team will not be allowed to register the following season.
3. **If there are** more than three (3) players from the team that forfeited three (3) or more games, **they may** be allowed to register together on a team for the following season, **pending a NTWSA hearing.**

C. Forfeiting **96** Hours or More Prior to a Game

1. A team forfeits one (1) game **96** hours or more prior to a game no fine will be assessed.
2. The team forfeiting a second game **96** hours or more prior to a game, within the same season, will be assessed a \$75 fine.

D. Final Game of the Season

If the final game of the season is forfeited, regardless of amount of notice, a max fine will be imposed and a playoff spot forfeited (if playoff system in place). The team’s placement in the playoffs is also forfeited and the team with the next highest points will take their place.

<b>Proposed by: Paula McFarlin, Captain of Juventus</b>
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REASON FOR RULE CHANGE:

There are many extenuating circumstances that can cause a team to forfeit a game. On the first occurrence during the season, at team should not be penalized. Adding a fine for more than one forfeit will help to prevent teams forfeiting for reasons other than unforeseen circumstances. Assessing a fine will prevent unnecessary forfeits and help to preserve the fair competition within a division (i.e. a team that has not played a game receiving 3 pts) and to help ensure that teams play the maximum games they are due.

If forfeits are submitted 96 hours in advance, the field assignor and referee assignor will have additional time to cancel fields and referees. This will allow referees to be assigned to other games. Late notice of forfeits is a big complaint with referees and assistant referees because they miss out on other games.

**DECISION:**

After the rule was read, Gordon opened up the floor for discussion.

Rule Change failed.

- ANNOUNCE STANDINGS
  - Patti Callahan

- Vote for Positions

*If you are representing more than one team, your vote will only count once.*

*Commissioners may not represent both a team and a commissioner vote. Board members may not represent both a team and an executive vote.*

Gordon Finch explained the process for elections. The nomination committee has submitted people for election and nominations will also be allowed from the floor. Each candidate will be allowed to speak for 3 minutes on their own behalf and then 3 people may stand and speak for 3 minutes each on behalf of the candidates. After that, the committee and a representative for each candidate will count the votes.

Gordon stated that the Slate the nominating committee presented for election contained Amanda Hall for President and Cat Morgan for Treasurer. He then asked each of them if elected would they accept the position and they both said yes.

### **Field Coordinator**

Gordon opened up nominations from the floor.

Glenda Malone was nominated from the floor by Sylvia Brown. Cat Morgan Seconded the nomination. Glenda accepted the nomination.

Paula McFarlin was nominated from the floor. Juventus representative Seconded the nomination. Paula accepted the nomination.

Penelope Clayton-Smith was nominated from the floor by Mona Hart. A captain from the floor Seconded the nomination. Penelope accepted the nomination and spoke on behalf of herself.

Gordon asked if there were any more nominations from the floor. He stated that hearing none then he requested a motion be made to close nominations. A captain from the floor made a motion to close the nominations. A captain from the floor Seconded the motion. He then asked that "all in favor of closing the nominations say "I." The captains responded "I". He then asked "all opposed say "Nay" and no one responded. He stated that nominations are closed.

Penelope Clayton-Smith spoke on behalf of herself.

Gordon then opened the floor to anyone who would like to speak on her behalf and no one stepped forward.

Paula McFarlin spoke on behalf of herself.

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Glenda Malone spoke on behalf of herself.

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Spoke on behalf of Glenda:

Susan Watkins

Amanda Hall

Gordon then turned the floor over to voting by the captains on their ballots. The teller committee picked up the ballots from the captains. Each nominee had a representative to count the votes. Carlos Quiones, NTSSA A & D Chairperson, oversaw the votes as well.

**Glenda Malone won the position.**

Gordon asked for a motion to be made to destroy the ballots. A captain from the floor made the motion. A captain from the floor seconded the motion.

## **TREASURER**

Catherine Morgan was on the slate for the position and she agreed to serve in the position if she won. A captain from the floor Seconded the nomination.

Gordon opened up nominations from the floor.

There were no nominations from the floor.

Gordon stated that hearing no more he requested a motion be made to close nominations. A captain from the floor made a motion to close the nominations. A captain from the floor Seconded the motion. He then asked that "all in favor of closing the nominations say "I." The captains responded "I". He then asked "all opposed say "Nay" and no one responded. He stated that nominations are closed.

Gordon stated that now he would entertain a motion to elect Cat Morgan by acclamation. He then asked that "all in favor of electing Catherine "I." The captains responded "I". He then asked "all opposed say "Nay" and no one responded.

**Catherine Morgan was elected by acclamation.**

## **PRESIDENT**

Amanda Hall was on the slate for the position and she agreed to serve in the position if she won. Cat Morgan Seconded the nomination.

Rachene' Badii was on the slate for the position and she agreed to serve in the position if she won. Marty Yarborough Seconded the nomination.

Gordon opened up nominations from the floor.

Paula McFarlin was nominated from the floor by a captain. Paula agreed to serve in the position if she won. A captain from the floor Seconded the nomination.

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Paula McFarlin denied speaking on behalf of herself.

Spoke on behalf of Paula:

Kathryn Lewis

Gayla Kirk

Rachene' Badii spoke on behalf of herself.

Spoke on behalf of Rachene':

Marty Yaborough

Julie Murray

Mona Hart

Amanda Hall spoke on behalf of herself.

Spoke on behalf of Amanda:

Susan (TX Stars)

Susan Watkins

Pam Hill

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**Rachene' Badii won the position.**

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**Rachene' Badii—appointed Patti Callahan Interim-League Commissioner**

**Patti Callahan—resigned from Secretary and accepted the Interim-League Commissioner position**

Patti Callahan distributed the awards to the winning teams.

Rachene Badii adjourned the meeting at 10:15 PM