



MNSRC Board Meeting  
December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 7:00 to 9:00 pm.  
Hilton Bloomington  
3900 American Blvd. West  
Bloomington, MN 55437

MNSRC Board of Directors and Executive Board Members

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL:

Jeff Filipek, President

Troy Cohrs, SRA

Mark Kelley, SYRA

Dan Stupca, SDA

Wayne Lemens, SDI

Brianna Pensini, SD Assignment

Matt Tiano

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dan Stupca motioned to approve minutes; Mark Kelley seconded. Unanimously approved.

REPORTS OF DIRECTORS - submitted via email prior to meeting

Troy Cohrs, SRA

Mark Kelley, SYRA

Dan Stupca, SDA

Wayne Lemens, SD Instruction

Brianna Pensini, SD Assignment

For shadow mentoring events, it makes sense to have experienced referees help with the mentoring

Brianna will assign mentors to games/times; Wayne will set up games/events in AssignR.

Re. USA Cup Academy - Danny Stupca is in touch with Yuya on making enhancements to the program.

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

### NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion regarding the Disciplinary committee.
  - The disciplinary committee process, based on feedback from the past two events, needs to be re-worked and improved. Items needing to be addressed:
    - Name of the Committee - “Disciplinary Committee” strikes a tone of fear
    - The accused party ought to be made aware that a complaint has been made to the committee
    - The process ought to be documented & codified
- Discussion to support the promotion of the State and Regional youth Championships. Should we use Managers for each event or Use the head of delegation approach.
  - Do we strengthen the head of delegation position (perhaps use one individual solely for this purpose)?
  - Mark - there’s enough to do at these regional/state events where having a head of delegation makes sense - i.e. have one person with the flexibility to move around and deal solely with logistics.
  - Follow the model of US Soccer in identifying referees for regional tournaments 14 months in advance.
  - If we have more coaches available we can do more assessment & identification of referees for regional & state tournaments. These should be led by national coaches or national referees; potentially a referee coach.
  - Mark Kelley & Terrence Hassanally to work with Dan Stupca on logistics for getting this initiative going in 2025
- Discussion on how to continue to develop the Field Session Training for new Referees. Should we consider futsal Training? (Wayne Lemens)
  - Field sessions went well; the four-drills are effective; we need to make it more interactive; tweak sessions to have optimal coaches to participants ratio
  - We need to get a better sense of what spaces are available state-wide for field sessions in order to fill those sessions. Terrence Hassanally to create a Google form for interested hosts to complete so SDI can coordinate field sessions.
  - Create a session change form for the Learning Center
  - Re. Futsal: Wayne moved that the SRC support the futsal training event, allocating \$500 toward the cost; Dan seconded; vote unanimously passed.

- Discussion on how to handle requests for registration scholarships.
  - We will begin to fundraise for referee certification scholarships
  - Will create a process for inquiries
- Discussion and continued development of the shadow program.
  - Audience: First time referees in 2024 & 2025
- Discussion on winter video learning sessions.
  - Have four of the national referee coaches in state each lead an online video training session
- Discussion of implementing a new page on the website to post events for referees.
- Discussion on supporting social media promotion.

#### ADJOURNMENT

- Motion to adjourn the meeting: 1st Mark Kelley; seconded by Dan Stupca .