



## **NYSWYSA BOD 4/16/25 Meeting Minutes**

Present	Position	Name	Present	Position	Name
Y	<b>President</b>	Hugh Goodridge	N	<b>Twin Tiers Comm.</b>	Chad Sustello
Y	<b>1<sup>st</sup> VP</b>	Peter Lautensack	Y	<b>Emeritus</b>	Roger Best
Y	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> VP</b>	Deborah Philps	Y	<b>Executive Director</b>	Devon McFadden
Y	<b>Secretary</b>	Jim Mort	Y	<b>Technical Director</b>	Dean Foti
Y	<b>Treasurer</b>	Michelle Sattler			
Y	<b>Binghamton Comm.</b>	Kevin Arnold			
Y	<b>Rochester Comm.</b>	Beedemariam Kassaw Portia Westfall			
E	<b>Buffalo Comm.</b>	Dave Kreger			
Y	<b>Southern Tier Comm.</b>	Jim Enser			
Y	<b>Syracuse Comm.</b>	Matthew Boyle			

**Executive Committee. Quorum = 6 Board Only**

AGENDA ITEM	Responsibility	Status
ROLL CALL:	8:04 PM Mort	

REPORTS & BUSINESS DISCUSSIONS	Responsibility	Status
<p>APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion to approve April 2025 meeting minutes (Motion: Jim Enser : Kevin Arnold)</li> <li>• Minutes so Approved</li> </ul>		
<p><b>FINANCIAL REPORT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board Report - Audit review presenters: Sean Daughton (Partner) &amp; Taylor Green (Sr Auditor) [Dannible &amp; McKee, LLP] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Statement of Financial position - our numbers are strong for not-for-profit</li> <li>- Operating cash flow positive</li> <li>- Clean audit report</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Regular Financial Report from M. Sattler distributed to BOD for review</li> </ul>	Sattler	
<p><b>PRESIDENT'S REPORT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• US SOCCER AGM (2/27- 3/3/2025) Goodridge &amp; McFadden in attendance</li> <li>• Player Registration date modification for 2026/2027 season: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- USYSA, US Club, AYSO will use school year date</li> <li>- National Team, ODP, MLS will use birth year date</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Referee Abuse and Prevention Policy posted on our NYSW web site <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Referee Abuse Prevention Penalty Matrix in effect:</li> <li>- Moving to Phase 3 - Reporting tool and best practice matrix</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Bylaw changes on term length (from 2 to 4 years) for positions on youth and adult councils for USYSA and USSF</li> <li>• Brian Lowe appointed as NYSWYSA's new treasurer thru November 2026</li> <li>• Referee Abuse and Prevention Policy posted on our NYSW web site</li> <li>• Brainstorming session for future NYSW initiatives will take place (May 17)</li> <li>• Potential unification efforts for USYS, AYSO, US Club</li> <li>• NYSW follows USYSA Inclusion Policy for commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion.</li> </ul>	Goodridge	

<b>1<sup>st</sup> VP REPORT:</b> Report was distributed online to BOD members. No questions were asked from meeting participants. Specific duties for State Cup will be covered at May 17 meeting.	Lautensack	
<b>2<sup>ND</sup> VP REPORT:</b> There is a potential appeal for a risk management pass that was originally denied. More to follow.	Philps	
<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</b> Report was distributed online to BOD members. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year to date registration numbers are ahead of normal (currently 34K)</li> <li>Operations Manager search is complete - Welcome Jessica Christ, starting April 29</li> <li>State Cup Playdown games are in process</li> <li>Champions League is underway</li> <li>NYSW Grant Program - this year's grant program will help 28 clubs with grants totaling \$20K.</li> </ul>	McFadden	
<b>TECHNICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</b> Report was distributed online to BOD members. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year to Date status for the Olympic Development Program and upcoming coaches education courses.</li> <li>TOPSOCCER ROCHESTER <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*NYSWYSA TOPSoccer Jamboree at Lakefront SC on 3/29/25 (Cameron Steer)</li> <li>*AutismUp/TOPSOCCER: (8 sessions) mid Jan. thru March</li> <li>*RNY FC Spring/Summer TOPSoccer program announcing dates</li> </ul> </li> <li>-BINGHAMTON UNIV: (8 sessions) mid Feb. thru April</li> <li>D. McFadden secured grant from USYS TOPSoccer for equipment grant</li> </ul>	Foti	
<b>DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Binghamton:</b> Arnold/Mort attended the Broome County Spring Meeting (3/27)</li> <li><b>Syracuse:</b> No activity on progression of a Syracuse travel league; New Carthage club application under review.</li> <li><b>Rochester:</b> Review of RDYSL 3/23 Meeting Minutes Referee Abuse Prevention reporting policy questions with NYSW webinars to address; collect AED inventory from clubs; verify referee mentoring plan ( Action: Portia to send Grassroot Symposium info to info to N. Hercules, Dale Johnson and Deon Rogers)</li> <li><b>Buffalo:</b> No Report</li> <li><b>Southern Tier:</b> Enser/Kreger attended the Southern Tier District Spring Meeting 3/24) and J. Enser attended the Southern District Board Meeting (4/7)</li> <li><b>Twin Tier:</b> No Report</li> </ul>	Arnold Boyle  Kassaw/Westfall  Kreger  Enser	
<b>OLD BUSINESS:</b> None	Mort	
<b>NEW BUSINESS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If there are any issues with our new email service, please reach out to our Bright support group. (Full service IT support).</li> <li>Update to Conflict of Interest Statement</li> <li>Stay current or update SafeSport certification</li> </ul>	Goodridge	
<b>GOOD OF THE GAME</b> Motion to adjourn the meeting (Motion: K. Arnold, Second: J. Enser Meeting was Adjourned at 9:32 PM		