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| 20 | Deborah L. Waters, CLP, FPR Stenographic Court Reporter |
| 21 | Certified Legal Professional |
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| 22 | and Notary Public, State of Florida at Large. |
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| 4 | Kai Velmer, President |
|  | Justin Goldman, Treasurer |
| 5 | Alice Smith, Registrar |
|  | Becky McLaren, Secretary |
| 6 | Daragh Cullen, Vice President of Coach/Player |
|  | Development |
| 7 | Olaf Henke, Vice President of Competition |
|  | Mike Hyatt, Vice President of Admin \& Communication |
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| 10 | Joel Dragan, Executive Director |
|  | Maurice Henderson, Parliamentarian |
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| 12 | Region A |
| 13 | Marino Torrens, Vice President |
|  | Commissioner North - Russell Walker |
| 14 | Commissioner South - Lance Lass |
| 15 | Region B |
| 16 | Cris Whittaker, Vice President |
|  | Commissioner North - Hugo Arce |
| 17 | Commissioner South - Moncef Hadiji |
| 18 | Region C |
| 19 | David DiTillio, Vice President |
|  | Commissioner North - John Withkowski |
| 20 | Commissioner South - Ed Kinsey |
| 21 | Region D |
| 22 | Louis Richard, Vice President |
|  | Commissioner East - Terry Straub |
| 23 | Commissioner West - Renee Pippy |
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| 1 | Orlando, Florida August 6, 2023 | 1 | credentials committee report say aye. |
| 2 |  | 2 | VOTING MEMBERS: Aye. |
| 3 | (Whereupon, the following proceedings were | 3 | PRESIDENT VELMER: Those opposed |
| 4 | had:) | 4 | say no. |
| 5 | PRESIDENT VELMER: The 2023 | 5 | e ayes have it and the report |
| 6 | Annual General Membership Meeting will | 6 | is adopted. |
| 7 | come to order. The Chair recognizes | 7 | you all for being here and |
| 8 | Secretary Becky McLaren to provide | 8 | for participating in the Annual General |
| 9 | instructions for finalizing the | 9 | Meeting. I want to go over a couple of |
| 10 | credentials | 10 | things in my remarks and I will try to |
| 11 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Good | 11 | keep it as brief as possible. |
| 12 | morning. Voting members have received an | 12 | As I said before, we've - |
| 13 | audience response device which will be | 13 | first, I want to go over some of the quick |
| 14 | used to conduct the electronic votes | 14 | positive things for FYSA. We registered |
| 15 | during this | 15 | over 113,000 registered players, which is |
| 16 | In order to finalize | 16 | a remarkable achievement in today's |
| 17 | credentials report | 17 | landscape; \$80,000 in hurricane relief, |
| 18 | devices are working properly, momentarily | 18 | around \$60,000 in scholarships; and around |
| 19 | we will have a list of all the voting | 19 | \$90,000 in the Bucks Program. |
| 20 | members projected on the screen. Once the | 20 | And our AGM has been really well |
| 21 | list appears find your member name, press | 21 | attended. So it looks like, you know, the |
| 22 | the letter A and your name will disappear | 22 | ggagement is there of our membership and |
| 23 | from the list. This will help calculate | 23 | that is a fantastic thing to see and I |
| 24 | be | 24 | joyed a lot of familiar faces this |
| 25 | total voting power of the assembly. | 25 | weekend and having discussions and |
|  | Page 7 |  | Page9 |
|  | Participation in this credentials report | 1 | dialogue. |
| 2 | lculation is not optional. We need 100 | 2 | th all of those positives we |
|  | rcent participation from all voting | 3 | still obviously facing challenges for |
|  | bers. | 4 | A. There is the ongoing struggle of |
| 5 | Could you please proj | 5 | rewriting or revising our bylaws, which we |
| 6 | st on the screen. I see that it is | 6 | hope to accomplish in the near future. We |
| 7 | ne. We are going to give everyone a few | 7 | lso need to improve -- as we know, we all |
| 8 | es | 8 | so need to improve our league and |
| 9 | tton. Once again, it is not op | 9 | urnament offerings in our program. That |
| 10 | Please press | 10 | mething we do need to tackle, but it |
| 11 | Has everyone completed this | 11 | $l l$ take everyo |
| 12 | -s | 12 | allenges for all in |
| 13 | culate the number. Thank you very | 13 | ccer community, obviously besides having |
| 14 | much. | 14 | so many different governing bodies, the |
| 15 | t, | 15 | ost, the decrease in girls |
| 16 | ports that as of 10:09 a.m. on August 6, | 16 | ipation, and referee shortage is |
| 17 | 3 , there is a total voting | 1 | ously putting a strain on the game as |
| 18 | 5,610 votes. | 18 | we know it. And, again, there is not one |
| 19 | ESIDENT VELMER: The question | 19 | swer. There is not one simple rule |
| 20 | is on the adoption of the credentials | 20 | nge or anything like that that will |
| 21 | mittee report. Are there any further | 2 | nge any of that because they say it |
| 22 | questions rega | 2 | takes a village. Yeah, it does take |
| 23 | u will proceed to vote on the | 23 | everybody. |
| 24 | edentials committee report. All voting | 24 | nd what I notice about the FYSA |
| 25 | members in favor of adopting the |  | as President, or as a normal attendee, you |

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| 1 | know, as a club representative, is I do 10 |
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| 2 | want to ask you a question real quick |
| 3 | because this is interesting for me to know |
| 4 | because I don't know. How many of you are |
| 5 | walking away this weekend talking to other |
| 6 | clubs and have developed a plan that will |
| 7 | keep costs as they are in registrations |
| 8 | because they help reduce the cost to play |
| 9 | soccer and perhaps increase participation |
| 10 | within your community? |
| 11 | Okay. This weekend I heard two |
| 12 | great ideas and I was happy. And there |
| 13 | was only two because most of the stuff, |
| 14 | unfortunately, I hear is negative. |
| 15 | And one was an idea for |
| 16 | TOPSoccer, a pilot program that will be |
| 17 | tried out in Pinellas County that clubs |
| 18 | will be hosting every Saturday and kind of |
| 19 | moving the program around to different |
| 20 | clubs that might not even have the |
| 21 | TOPSoccer program. But it will introduce |
| 22 | TOPSoccer to the communities that don't |
| 23 | have a TOPSoccer program and it will be |
| 24 | likely the whole group will just travel |
| 25 | from place to place. It's a great idea to |

Page 11 bring that program to neighborhoods that never had those opportunities to have that program.

The other idea came out of Region A roundtable where a member stepped up to chair a girls soccer committee. We need more of that. Okay?

We need more steps in working together to actually have an impact on our game and not continue what we have been doing. Because I am just asking you what have we been doing for the last ten years? Because what we have been doing doesn't work. Because where is FYSA? Where is USYS? We are no longer the top dog.

But we can continue to want to have division. We can continue to not like one chair of a committee because you are not chairing the committee or vice versa. Or we can actually put the game and the kids first. I keep saying that over and over again, but it ends up just being politics and rules and bylaws.

And, yes, I will admit I don't think the rules and bylaws are as

And last year I walked away feeling positive because we increased the fees by a dollar which is a drop in the bucket in today's fee structure, you know, the cost of playing.

That dollar went to fund TOPSoccer and to fund Grassroots Soccer to have a positive impact on soccer and the kids and the communities and grow the game. We need more of that. And hopefully we can. I don't know why it is taking so long to revise and clean up the bylaws. It is beyond me.

Because I sit there in these meetings and I don't get it. We have groups that interpret the bylaws this way and groups that interpret the bylaw that way. Guess what? The game moves on regardless of what you have been fighting about. And you are not as relevant as you think you are. If it did matter as much, we would be on the top of the food chain with FYSA and USYS in the landscape but we are not.

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I am sorry I'm getting a little riled up because I am passionate about this. That is why I wanted to come here and do this job for free. But I keep coming here and I get blasted for this or that. You don't put your foot down enough and all this stuff. Guess what, if I choose this person, the other side goes because we never work together. We never put the game first. We never put the kids first. Rarely do we do that.

So enough of me now, let's get this show on the road. And I hope as we continue to move forward we need to work together. Anyway, let's go.

I would like to inform the members that every year we have a court reporter to record the proceedings of the AGM. Our court reporter, Deborah Waters, is seated in the front row. When you go to the microphone make sure you identify yourself by name. If you forget or we need you to speak louder, we will interrupt you and ask you to do so.

Each member was provided a

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| 1 | printed copy of the meeting rules. The 14 |
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| 2 | Chair recognizes the Secretary to present |
| 3 | these rules. |
| 4 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: The |
| 5 | following are the rules for the 2023 |
| 6 | Annual General Membership Meeting. |
| 7 | 1. The current version of |
| 8 | "Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised" |
| 9 | shall be the parliamentary authority for |
| 10 | conducting the Annual General Meeting |
| 11 | unless as described below. |
| 12 | Identification badges issued by |
| 13 | the credentials committee shall be worn |
| 14 | for admission to all meetings and events. |
| 15 | Badges may not be transferred without |
| 16 | proper action by the credentials |
| 17 | committee. |
| 18 | The agenda shall be followed in |
| 19 | order unless the body agrees to suspend or |
| 20 | postpone an agenda item by a majority |
| 21 | vote. |
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| 23 | the chair to a specific person should the |
| 24 | President be unable to attend the meeting. |
| 25 | He/she shall appointment the Vice |

President of Player and Coaching
Development to conduct the meeting in his or her absence.
5. All bylaw amendments noticed in accordance with the FYSA bylaws shall be deemed to have been moved and seconded to the extent otherwise required for their consideration.
6. AGM delegates and FYSA board members wishing to speak shall line up at the floor microphones. Upon being recognized AGM delegates and FYSA board members shall give his or her name, office, title, or league or club.
7. AGM delegates and FYSA board members are required to follow the rules of decorum in debate, especially as it relates to confining remarks to the pending item of business avoiding the use of other delegates or board member's names and not carrying on discussion directly with another AGM delegate or FYSA board member.
8. Motions must be properly
made, clearly stated, accurately recorded,
seconded, debated if allowed, and voted upon according to the parliamentary authority. The Chair may not make or second a motion and can only vote on a motion in order to break a tie.
9. Voting on motions shall be conducted by the chair, except items four and five below, and by using one or more of the following methods:

A: General acclimation.
B: Voice vote.
C: Show of hands.
D: Roll call.
E: Secret ballot.
F: Electronic voting.
10. Debate shall be limited to one speech of not more than two minutes for each AGM delegate and/or FYSA board member on each debatable motion or bylaw amendment. Allowed time is not transferred or cumulative.

Please be advised that they will be cutting the mics off when you have reached your two minutes. And we have a timekeeper who will be standing up. Paul

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is in the front of the room. He will stand up when you have 30 seconds left.
11. Members will only be recognized up to two times of each time on any debatable motion.
12. An amendment to strike out one word or a set of words in multiple places and to insert a different word or set of words in all of those places shall be in order and shall be deemed to include appropriate modifications in capitalization, numbers singular or plural, and case possessive.
13. The secretary or rules revision committee chairman will be authorized to correct article and section designations, punctuation, and cross references to make such outer technical and conforming changes as may be deemed to reflect the intent of the membership in connection with the proposed amendments to the bylaws, rules, regulations, and policies adopted at the AGM.
14. Electronic keypad voting shall be authorized for all business

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conducted during this meeting, except 18
incidental made motions, uncontested
elections, or otherwise as ordered by the
president or assembly. Voting by
electronic keypad devices shall be deemed
to be a division of the assembly.
15. Cellphones and pagers shall
be silenced during all meetings.
16. Election process:
A: All candidates must be
nominated from the floor regardless of
prior nomination. FYSA Rule 5008.6 .
B: Nominations will require a
second, but the person seconding the
nomination shall not provide a speech.
FYSA Rule 5008. 7.
C: The nominator may have one
minute to speak about the candidate. FYSA
Rule 5008. 7.

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procedure.

1. A candidate must receive a majority vote to be elected.
2. If no candidate receives a majority on the first ballot, a second round will be required.
3. Candidates, nominators, or members will not be allowed to publicly address the membership between rounds of voting.
4. Candidates will have the option to withdraw following each round of voting. No candidate will be forced to withdraw.

Mr. President, I move the
adoption of the meeting rules as modified.
PRESIDENT VELMER: The question
is on the adoption of the meeting rules as read. Is there any further discussion regarding the meeting rules?

The question is on the adoption
of the meeting rules. Adoption of the meeting rules require a two-thirds vote.
All voting members in favor of adopting
the meeting rules, please raise your hand.

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please. Those opposed please raise your hand. Hands down, please.

There are two-thirds in the affirmative and the meeting rules are adopted.

Now that the meeting rules have been adopted, future votes during this AGM will be taken using the voting devices.

Before we proceed any further in the meeting we will take a moment to have an additional explanation of the keypad voting. Each motion or a short title for the motion will be shown on the screen as the chair is putting the motion to a vote.

As each motion is shown, you will press the button that corresponds to your vote. You can change your vote as often as you like. Your last answer shown in the window at the top will be recorded.

In most instances to vote yes you will press one or A. To vote no you will press two or B. You can change your vote up until the time the chair has

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stated that the polls are closed.
Each member was provided a printed copy of the agenda for the Annual General Meeting. Are there any questions, corrections, or additions to the agenda?

If there is no objection to the agenda, the agenda will be adopted.

Since there is no objection the agenda is adopted.

At this time the chair appoints
Paul Van Steenbergen to serve as a
timekeeper for the meeting. Paul is sitting in the front row. When 30 seconds is remaining for your speaking time, he will stand up at his seat to signal that 30 seconds is remaining.

Paul, can you please stand so that everyone knows where you are seated.

PAUL VAN STEENBERGEN: (Stands.)
PRESIDENT VELMER: Thank you,
Paul.
At the two-minute mark your mic will be cut off. When the time has expired, he will stand again and we will ask you to stop speaking. If you do not

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conclude your remarks, the Chair will ask
for your microphone to be disabled.
    At this time the Chair will
appoint a committee that will review the
AGM minutes. They are also authorized to
approve the minutes.
    The Chair appoints the following
people to serve on the 2023 Annual General
Meeting Minutes Approval Committee:
    Barb Newton, chairman, with
members Al Renaut and John Stacey.
    The Chair recognizes the
Secretary to report on the 2022 AGM
minutes.
    SECRETARY MCLAREN: The AGM
transcript from 2022 has been posted on
the Website. The minutes from the 2022
were approved by the 2022 approval
committee. The AGM -- excuse me -- from
the 2022 AGM were approved by the 2022
minutes approval committee. The official
copy of these minutes is on file at the
FYSA office.
    PRESIDENT VELMER: The Chair
recognizes the Secretary to report any
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correspondence.
SECRETARY MCLAREN: No
PRESIDENT VELMER: We have none.
Okay. We are going to the FYSA
Board of Directors is authorized to amend
the rules between the Annual General
Meetings. These rule amendments are
subject to ratification of the membership
at the following AGM. A list of the
amended rules were distributed to the
members prior to the meeting. They are
located on Page 28 of the AGM book.
The Chair will entertain a
motion to ratify the amendments to the
FYSA rules adopted by the Board of
Directors since the 2022 AGM. Meaning, I
would like a delegate to go to a
microphone to make such a motion.
Is there a delegate that wished
to make a motion?
DAMIEN MURRAY: Damien Murray,
Palm Beach Gardens Predators, I make a
motion to ratify.
PRESIDENT VELMER: Is there a
second?

Region B. I make a motion to second.
PRESIDENT VELMER: It is moved and seconded to ratify the amendments to the FYSA rules adopted by the Board of Directors since the 2022 AGM.

Is there any discussion?
The question is on ratifying the amendments of the FYSA rules adopted by the Board of Directors since the 2022 AGM. All voting members in favor of ratifying the amendments to the FYSA rules adopted by the Board of Directors press one on your keypad. And those opposed press two.

You may vote now -- sorry, it is A to adopt them and B for opposing it.

There are 5,022 in the affirmative and 511 in the negative. The affirmative has it. The motion is adopted. The rule amendments adopted by the Board are ratified.

The next item on the agenda is -- the next item of business is the treasurer's report and proposed budget for the 2023-2024 seasonal year. The Chair

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recognizes the Treasurer, Justin Goldman.
TREASURER GOLDMAN: Good morning everybody. So the treasurer's report for the past current year -- and I am going to keep it pretty short and simple from a financial standpoint. Our transparency on how we have been doing our forecasting and our budgeting and our planning for P\&Ls and the balance sheets has been working extremely well. The checks and balances that we put into place to measure back to how our progress is has been keeping us on track.

And we are pleased to have had a really good year with our projections and where we are financially as well. More importantly we are pleased that we were able to do a couple of things this past year. We still continue to do the FYSA foundation grants. The FYSA Bucks was very well received as well.

And then we also helped out with a hurricane grant when we got some damages on the west coast of Florida, which we were really proud that we were able to

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| 1 | help some really problematic clubs. Page 26 |
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| 2 | So all in all it was a great |
| 3 | year. And I will keep it short and sweet |
| 4 | from that standpoint. |
| 5 | PRESIDENT VELMER: Are there any |
| 6 | questions on the treasurer's report? |
| 7 | Justin, please present the |
| 8 | budget for the 2023-2024 seasonal year. |
| 9 | TREASURER GOLDMAN: So if you |
| 10 | guys could turn to Page 35 in the Book of |
| 11 | Reports, that has got our proposed budget. |
| 12 | We did meet with the finance committee and |
| 13 | they did approve and review this. |
| 14 | So on behalf of the budget |
| 15 | committee I move the adoption of 2023-2024 |
| 16 | budget as presented. |
| 17 | PRESIDENT VELMER: It is moved |
| 18 | and seconded to adopt the 2023-2024 FYSA |
| 19 | budget as presented. Is there any |
| 20 | discussion? |
| 21 | We will now vote on adopting the |
| 22 | $2023-2024$ budget as presented. All voting |
| 23 | members in favor of adopting the $2023-2024$ |
| 24 | FYSA budget as presented, press A on your |
| 25 | keypad. And those opposed press B. You |

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may vote now.
There are 5,219 in the
affirmative and 401 in the negative. The affirmative has it and the motion is
adopted. The 2023-2024 FYSA budget is adopted.

The officer reports are in the book and, therefore, we will proceed to the Executive Director's report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DRAGAN: Good morning everybody. Thank you very much for your attendance and for being here. was accused last night of never turning down an opportunity in front of the microphone, so I will keep this extremely brief.

On behalf of FYSA, in particular
the staff, $I$, again, want to give a
sincere thank you and express our
gratitude for your engagement. It is rare
in 2023 to have this many individuals
dedicated to anything, let alone our great
sport of soccer.
What a weekend. I hope you all
enjoyed the awards gala last night.
the 50th anniversary, the golden anniversary. I would like to, once again, thank and recognize Mr. Bob Rollins, our newest member of the FYSA Hall of Fame. I think that deserves one last round of applause for him
(Applause.)
Looking forward we will continue the successful course that we are on and continue to be a leader in the southern region. And I am always here for you guys, the members. We are, and I tell this to our staff, we are a member-driven organization

Please contact us. Please keep up the engagement. And thank you

PRESIDENT VELMER: The next item of business is the elections for the FYSA officer positions. The elections process is outlined in the AGM book, Rule No. 16. The Chair recognizes Secretary Becky McLaren to chair the elections.

SECRETARY MCLAREN: The FYSA officer positions that will be elected at

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this AGM are Vice President of Player and Coaching Development, Vice President of Competitions, Secretary, Vice President of Region A and Vice President of Region C, and Registrar.

At this time nominations are open for the office of Vice President of Player and Coaching Development. Delegates must go to the microphone to make a nomination.

Are there any nominations for the office of Vice President of Player and Coaching Development?

DAMIEN MURRAY: Damien Murray, Palm Beach Gardens Predators. I would like to nominate Daragh Cullen.

SECRETARY MCLAREN: Is there a second to the nomination?

MIKE SROKA: Mike Sroka, Greater Central Florida Soccer League. I will second.

SECRETARY MCLAREN: Daragh
Cullen has been nominated.
Are there any further
nominations for the office of Vice

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|  | President of Player and Coaching | 1 | open for the office of Vice President of |
| 2 | Development? | 2 | Competitions. |
| 3 | Seeing none, if there is no | 3 | Are there any nominations for |
| 4 | objection nominations for the office of | 4 | the office of Vice President of |
| 5 | Vice President of Player and Coaching | 5 | Competitions? |
| 6 | Development will be closed. | 6 | TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich, |
| 7 | - | 7 | Hollywood Florida League, I nominate Olafe |
| 8 | nominations for the office of Vice | 8 | Henke. |
| 9 | President of Player and Coaching | 9 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Is there a |
| 10 | Development are now closed. | 10 | second? |
| 11 | We will now hear from the | 11 | SHENOY RAGHURA: Shenoy Raghura, |
| 12 | candidates running for office of Vice | 12 | Royal Palm Beach Soccer, I second. |
| 13 | President of Player and Coaching | 13 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Olafe Henke |
| 14 | Development. You will have five minutes | 14 | has been nominated. |
| 15 | to address this assembly, if you want to. | 15 | Are there any further |
| 16 | VP COACH CULLEN: Daragh Cullen, | 16 | nominations for the office of Vice |
| 17 | FYSA VP of Player and Coaching | 17 | President of Competitions? |
| 18 | Development. Thank you. Thank you all | 18 | TONY MATTHEWS: Tony Matthews, |
| 19 | for being here again. It's great to see | 19 | Lake Wales Soccer Club, I would like to |
| 20 | everybody, as I said | 20 | minate Chris McMaster. |
| 21 | breakout mee | 21 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Is there a |
| 22 | gain, thank you for your | 22 | second? |
| 23 | support. I serve at the leisure of this | 23 | MELISSA HOWARD: Melissa Howard, |
| 24 | body -- I am sorry -- the membership. And | 24 | West Florida Flames, second. |
| 25 | I will continue to strive to do my best | 25 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Chris |
|  | Page 31 |  | McMaster has Page 33 |
| 1 | for this organization. So thank you all. | 1 | McMaster has been nominated. |
| 2 | Thank you all so very much and it's great | 2 | Are there any further |
| 3 | to see you. Thank you. | 3 | nominations for the office of Vice |
| 4 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Once t | 4 | President of Competitions? |
| 5 | name appears on the -- we will now proceed | 5 | If there is no objection |
| 6 | to the vote for the electio | 6 | minations for the office of Vice |
| 7 | President of Player and Coaching | 7 | President of Competitions |
| 8 | Development. Once the names appear on the | 8 | PEAKER: Wait, wait. |
| 9 | screen, they will appear in the following | 9 | RETARY MCLAREN: Nope, I got |
| 10 | order: Option one will be Daragh Cullen. | 10 | somebody coming to the mic. Sorry. |
| 11 | hen the poll appears, please | 11 | LARRY FARRELL: Larry Farrell, |
| 12 | cast your vote accordingly. May we open | 12 | Largo United Soccer, I nominate Mike |
| 13 | the poll, please. | 13 | Callaway. |
| 14 | lls are open, please | 14 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Is there a |
| 15 | Has everyone voted who wishes to | 15 | second? |
| 16 | do so? | 16 | JOHN WITHKOWSKI: John |
| 17 | Please close the polls and post | 17 | Withkowski, (unintelligible) United, I |
| 18 | the results. | 18 | second. |
| 19 | (The results were published on | 19 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Mike |
| 20 | the screen.) | 20 | Callaway has been nominated. |
| 21 | Daragh is elected to the office | 21 | Are there any further |
| 22 | of Vice President of Player and Coaching | 22 | nominations for the office of Vice |
| 23 | Development. | 23 | President of Competitions? |
| 24 | (Applause.) | 24 | If there is no objection, |
| 25 | At this time nominations are | 25 | nominations for the office of Vice |

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| 1 | President Competitions will be closed. |
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| 2 | Hearing no objection nominations |
| 3 | for the office of Vice President of |
| 4 | Competitions are closed. |
| 5 | We will now hear from the |
| 6 | candidates running for office for Vice |
| 7 | President of Competitions. |
| 8 | You will have five minutes to |
| 9 | address the assembly. As per FYSA rules, |
| 10 | it will be done in alphabetical order. So |
| 11 | I ask Mike Callaway to please come to the |
| 12 | mic to address the assembly. |
| 13 | MIKE CALLAWAY: Good morning |
| 14 | all. My name is Mike Callaway. I have |
| 15 | been with this organization for 40 plus |
| 16 | years. I have enjoyed every moment of it. |
| 17 | The first thing I would like to |
| 18 | do is, I would like to -- if there is any |
| 19 | Hall of Fame members, to have them -- just |
| 20 | recognize them and the amount of effort |
| 21 | that they put into this organization. And |
| 22 | we wouldn't have this organization if it |
| 23 | wasn't for the Hall of Fame members. |
| 24 | of Directors for the job that they do. |
| 25 | I also want to thank the Board |

It's not an easy job. They have to make decisions that sometimes they don't like, but they have to make the decisions. And I thank you for your effort.

With this position I think, you know, I think that we have a great
organization. And I think that if we work together that we can push this organization to the place we want it to be. I think that we have to be present at the events. I think that we have to be engaged with our members.

I think it is important that we focus on the players. Every decision that we make, we focus on the players. How can we -- our goal is the players to make them better.

And I think we need to be present in those events. I think that we need to be engaged with our membership.
And I think that we need to always
remember in the back of our mind
everything that we do is about the player.
And if we can do that, we can push this organization forward.

> I am here to serve you. I work for you and that's my goal. I am transparent. If I don't know an answer, I will -- I am open and I will listen. My job is to work for this membership. Thank you very much. (Applause.) SECRETARY MCLAREN: Thank you, Mike. it will be by video. (The video was played for the membership.) OLAFE HENKE: Hey everybody. My name is Olafe Henke. I am the Vice President of Competitions for the Florida Youth Soccer Association. I hope that everybody has had a wonderful time this year at the AGM. Unfortunately, I haven't been able to attend due to family reasons. But I do believe that it is a good opportunity for me to address everybody here since this year there are obviously elections again. And one of the

Page 37 positions that is up for election is the Vice President of Competitions position. I have been nominated and I would like to accept the nomination and run for another term of two years for this position.

When I entered the -- not just the position as Vice President of Competitions, but when I joined the Board of Directors at FYSA I did so because I was pretty much frustrated with the structure of competition in the state of Florida. Now it hasn't changed a whole lot in the last couple of years, unfortunately, but I have at least had the opportunity to learn. And that is something that is always the foundation, I believe, to eventually implement some change.

Over the last two years I have gained some knowledge about how the structure, not just within FYSA but also up into the U.S. youth system, works and what it takes to actually make some meaningful change, not just to change some dates on competition here or some minor

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rule changes, et cetera. But more so the
entire structure and that is where I still
believe where we have a lot of work to do
and that is why I am running for this
position again. I believe we can do that
in the state of Florida.
I don't think that we are
maximizing potential that we have as a
state, that we have as clubs, but for our
players, for our teams, for our coaches,
et cetera.
And there are various areas that
really need work. Obviously the league
environment is one thing. We have a lot
of leagues in the state of Florida that we
need to bring together. We need to find
an opportunity to create a pathway for
teams and for players primarily to be in
an environment that is merit based and
grows from the fundamentals from the very
lowest level to the top level through all
of the offerings that we have to offer,
whether it is local leagues or there are
state offerings with conferences and
eventually into the national competitions
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with national league pro, et cetera.
But, yeah, I do believe that
there has to be a clear pathway. We have
to make it easier for people to
understand, parents to understand, for clubs to navigate through tournaments, and all of the headaches that we are dealing with on a current daily basis, if you will, especially in the smaller clubs.

The second part are the cup
competitions. Our cup competitions have been run the way that they are run for decades. And we really never looked at them and said, okay, what can we do to be maybe more competitive to create
environments that are challenging in a new way. So I do think we have to reinvent the cup competitions a little bit as well, whether it is state cup, president cup, or regional cup.

One of my ideas is to let's start competitions in the Fall. Let's not use the entire Spring with competition where we have teams that participate and is knocked out in the first round and then

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kind of like tries to navigate through the league offerings or tournament offerings or whatever is left for them in the Spring. That is not a cup competition that really starts at the beginning of the season.

Let's have a sports calendar, a soccer calendar that clubs can use where it is identified which weekends are designated for league play, which weekends are designated for cup play, and which weekends are designated for tournaments or additional offerings that clubs want to put out for their players and for their families (unintelligible) or anything else.

If we can get to that, that will not just make it easier for us as clubs but it will also create a little bit more understanding for families that are part of our clubs and customs, if you will. And primarily for the players that we are trying to really make this possible environment for.

So there are some communications
that we have had with the U.S. Youth Soccer. The process of change is never easy. It is not. And especially in the environment that we are currently in where there is plenty of offerings for everyone to look at, to attend to, and so forth. But I do believe within FYSA, not just the competition department but in general, we are due for some change.

SECRETARY MCLAREN: Thirty seconds time.

OLAFE HENKE: We have to look at ourselves. We have to assess and reassess our association and see what we would look like if we would rebuild it.

SECRETARY MCLAREN: I now recognize Chris McMaster to come to the microphone to speak, please.

CHRIS McMASTER: Hello everybody. Chris McMaster, Lake Wales Soccer Club and (unintelligible). I have not been involved for long. I have been doing this for 25 years. But as part of FYSA this is my third year as part of the Lake Wales board and meeting everybody

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| 1 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Rebecca | 1 | nominations for the office of Vice |
| 2 | McLaren has been nominated. | 2 | President of Region A will be closed. |
| 3 | Are there any further | 3 | no objection, |
| 4 | nominations for the office of Secretary? | 4 | nominations for the office of Vice |
| 5 | If there is no objection | 5 | President of Region $A$ are closed. |
| 6 | nominations for the office of Secretary | 6 | We will now hear from the |
| 7 | will be clos | 7 | candidates running for office for Vice |
| 8 | Hearing no objection nominations | 8 | President of Region A. |
| 9 | for the office of Secretary have been | 9 | You will have five minutes to |
| 10 | closed. | 10 | address the assembly. |
| 11 | We will now hear from the | 11 | MARINO TORRENS: Thank you. |
| 12 | candidates running for office of | 12 | I am good. |
| 13 | Secretary. You will have five minutes to | 13 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: We will |
| 14 | address the assembly. | 14 | proceed to the vote for the election of |
| 15 | I will pass on my five minutes | 15 | Vice President of Region A. |
| 1 | so we can move | 16 | Once the name appears on the |
| 17 | use.) | 17 | screen -- when the poll appears you may |
| 18 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: We will now | 18 | cast your vote accordingly. |
| 19 | proceed to the vote for election of | 19 | Only the delegates from Region A |
| 20 | Secretary. Once the name appears on the | 20 | will cast a vote in this election. |
| 21 | screen, please cast your vote accordingly. | 21 | Therefore, if you are not a member of |
| 22 | May | 22 | Region $A$, do not cast a vote in this |
| 23 | Has everyone voted who wishes to | 23 | election. |
| 24 | do so? | 24 | May we open the poll, please. |
| 25 | Please close the polls and post | 25 | Has everyone voted that wishes |
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|  | the results. | 1 | to do so? |
| 2 | (The results were published on | 2 | Please close the polls and post |
| 3 | the screen.) | 3 | the results. |
| 4 | Rebecca McLaren has been elected | 4 | (The results were published on |
| 5 | Secretary. | 5 | the screen.) |
| 6 | (Applause.) | 6 | Marino Torrens is elected to the |
| 7 | ECRETARY MCLAREN: Thank you. | 7 | office of Vice President of Region A. |
| 8 | At this time nominations are | 8 | ARINO TORRENS: Thank you. |
| 9 | open for the office of Vice President of | 9 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: At this time |
| 10 | Region A. | 10 | nominations are open for the office of |
| 11 | Are there any nominations for | 11 | Vice President of Region C. |
| 12 | the Vice Presi | 12 | re there any nominations for |
| 13 | OM TIANICH: Tom Tianich, | 13 | the office of Vice President of Region C? |
| 14 | Hollywood FC, I nominate Marino Torrens. | 14 | KEVIN GORSKI: Kevin Gorski, San |
| 15 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Is there a | 15 | Carlos Scorpions, I nominate David |
| 16 | second? | 16 | DiTillio. |
| 17 | DAVID MURRAY: David Murray, | 17 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Is there a |
| 18 | Palm Beach Gardens Predators, I will | 18 | second? |
| 19 | second that. | 19 | LARRY FARRELL: Larry Farrell, |
| 20 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Marino | 20 | Largo United, I second. |
| 21 | Torrens has | 21 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Dave |
| 22 | Are there any further | 22 | DiTillio has been nominated. |
| 23 | nominations for the office of Vice | 23 | Are there any further |
| 24 | President of Region A? | 24 | nominations for the office of Vice |
| 25 | If there is no objection, | 25 | President of Region C? |

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| 1 | If there is no objection, Page 50 |
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| 2 | nominations for the office of Vice |
| 3 | President of Region C will be closed. |
| 4 | Hearing no objection, |
| 5 | nominations for the office of Vice |
| 6 | President of Region C are now closed. |
| 7 | We will now hear from the |
| 8 | candidate running for office for Vice |
| 9 | President of Region C. |
| 10 | You will have five minutes to |
| 11 | address the assembly, Dave DiTillio. |
| 12 | SPEAKER: I am not taking off my |
| 13 | hat. Sorry. |
| 14 | DAVID DiTILLIO: I want to say |
| 15 | thank you and let's get going. |
| 16 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: We will now |
| 17 | proceed to the vote for the election of |
| 18 | Vice President of Region C. |
| 19 | When the poll appears you may |
| 20 | cast the vote accordingly. |
| 21 | Only delegates from Region C |
| 22 | will cast a vote in this election. |
| 23 | Therefore, if you are not a member of |
| 24 | Region C, do not cast a vote in this |
| 25 | election. |

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May we open the polls, please.
Has everyone voted who wishes to do so?

One second. Can you cast your votes now, please. The poll is open.

Has everyone voted who wishes to do so?

Please show the results.
(The results were published on the screen.)

SECRETARY MCLAREN: Dave
DiTillio is elected to the office of Vice
President of Region $C$.
(Applause.)
SECRETARY MCLAREN: I now turn
the podium back over to Kai.
PRESIDENT VELMER: We will take
a ten-minute recess before we continue
with the agenda.
(Whereupon, a short recess was
taken.)
PRESIDENT VELMER: Please take
your seats. The meeting will come back to order.

The next item of business is the

Before we begin this portion of the meeting, the Chair reminds the members of the meeting rules and rules of decorum in debate.

Members must go to the microphone to speak. They must state their name after being recognized by the Chair.

Remember, you will have two minutes to speak. Paul will raise his hand when you have 30 seconds remaining. Your microphone will be cut off at the two-minute mark. Therefore, you may want to keep a lookout for Paul's signal if you are speaking at length.

Members should not call other members by name or make inappropriate comments or remarks about the fellow member.

Members are also reminded that there should not be any hand clapping, applause, remarks, or loud side conversations after someone speaks at the microphone.

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The Chair reminds the members that we adopted the meeting rule that allows the Secretary or Rules and Revision Chairman to correct punctuation, numbering, and other technical and conforming changes that may be needed as related to bylaw and rule amendments that are adopted.

Therefore, members should not get caught up on section numbering and other technical grammar changes.

Lastly, the Chair reminds the members that all comments, questions, and debate must be addressed to and through the Chair. You should not direct your comments directly to any member and you should refrain from side conversations as well.

At this time the Chair recognizes the Rules and Revision Committee member Chair Mike Flood to present the proposed changes to the FYSA Bylaws.

## (Applause.)

SPEAKER: No applause.


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adopted. And Bylaw 4.2 has been amended.
    The next amendment to be amended
is Bylaw 4.3, which is on Page 51, and it
was also proposed by Tom Tianich.
    Is there any discussion on this
proposed amendment?
    Hearing no discussion, do you
need to have the amendment read to you
again before voting?
    All voting members in favor of
adopting the amendment press A on your
keypad. Those opposed press B.
    You may now vote.
    Has everyone voted that wishes
to do so?
    The polls are closed.
    May we now have the results,
please.
    (The results were published on
the screen.)
    There are 5,091 in the
affirmative -- or 5,093 in the affirmative
and 370 in the negative. The affirmative
has it. The amendment is adopted and
Bylaw 4.3 has been amended.
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The next amendment to be amend
is Bylaw 4.4, which is on Page 52, and was
also submitted by Tom Tianich.
Is there any discussion on this
proposed amendment?
Hearing no discussion, do you
need to have the amendment read to you
again before voting?
All voting members in favor of
adopting the amendment press A on your
keypad. And those opposed press B.
You may now vote.
Has everyone voted who wishes to
do so?
The polls are now closed.
May we have the results.
(The results were published on
the screen.)
5,613 in favor and 63 against.
The affirmative has it. The amendment is
adopted and Bylaw 4.4 is amended.
The next amendment to be amended
is Bylaw 7.1.3, which is on Page 53, also
was submitted by Tom Tianich.
Is there any discussion on the

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proposed amendment?
Hearing no discussion, do you need to have the amendment read to you again before voting?

All voting members in favor of adopting the amendment press $A$ on your keypad. Those opposed press B.

You may now vote.
Has everybody voted who wishes to do so?

The polls are now closed.
(The results were published on the screen.)

There are 5,508 -- excuse me, 5,158 in the affirmative and 463 in the negative.

The affirmative has it. The amendment is adopted and Bylaw 7.1.3 has been amended.

The next amendment to be amended
is Bylaw 7.1.4, which is on Page 54, and was also presented by Tom Tianich

Is there any discussion on this proposed amendment?

Hearing no discussion, do we
need to have the amendment read again
before voting?
MIKE SROKA: Please.
MIKE FLOOD: You want me to read
the amendment?
MIKE SROKA: Yes.
MIKE FLOOD: Yes.
So if the amendment is adopted, the last sentence will read "voting by proxy is not permitted at this meeting." And it applies to Board of Directors meetings

MIKE SROKA: Mike Sroka, Greater Central Florida Youth Soccer League.

Just a point of clarification. So that is what I was going to ask. So a Board member cannot make a meeting, there vote is just -- no vote.

MIKE FLOOD: No more -- no more proxies at Board of Directors meetings. That is what this is saying.

MIKE SROKA: Hmm.
MIKE FLOOD: Is there any
further discussion on the proposed
amendment?

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| 1 | Hearing no discussion, do you 62 |
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| 2 | need to have the amendment read to you |
| 3 | again before voting? |
| 4 | All voting members in favor of |
| 5 | adopting the amendment press A on your |
| 6 | keypad. And those oppose |
| 7 | You may now |
| 8 | Has everyone voted who wishes to |
| 9 | do so? |
| 10 | The polls are now closed. |
| 11 | (The results were published on |
| 12 | the screen.) |
| 13 | There are 3,886 in the |
| 14 | affirmative and 1,804 in the negative. |
| 15 | If -- just for clarification |
| 16 | this is -- okay, to amend a bylaw it has |
| 17 | got to be two-thirds, so we just need to |
| 18 | do a little math there. And it just |
| 19 | barely is passed. |
| 20 | So the affirmative has it. The |
| 21 | amendment is adopted. Bylaw 7.1 (sic) is |
| 22 | amended. |
| 23 | The next amendment to be amended |
| 24 | is Bylaw 7.1.5, which is on Page 55, and |
| 25 | was also presented by Tom Tianich. |

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Is there any discussion on the proposed amendment?

CRIS WHITTAKER: Yeah. Cris Whittaker. I would like to speak against this because if you have a special called meeting and the meeting could be called when people aren't available. And if their vote can't be proxied, you can change the outcome of the vote or get somebody passed through because somebody can't make a meeting.

So I think that this should not pass.

MIKE FLOOD: Thank you.
TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich,
Hollywood FC. I am speaking for
obviously. As mentioned in my rational,
if you volunteer to serve on a Board then
if a special called meeting is called,
which is very rare anyway, and you can't
make it, then somebody else shouldn't vote
for you. You should do your best to be there.

We understand you won't be
there, but if you have 19 board members

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and one doesn't show up, you can still run with board with 18 votes. There is no need for one person to have two, three, four votes for somebody else.

The same thing could be said --
sorry -- what the gentleman said before me without saying a name, same thing could be said that a meeting may be called and four people's votes could be held by one person. It is the same thing applies to whether you are not there, you don't get to vote or you are there and you get to vote for five people.

MIKE FLOOD: Is there any
further discussion on the proposed amendment?

TREASURER GOLDMAN: Point of --
MIKE FLOOD: Are you speaking
for or against, Justin?
TREASURER GOLDMAN: Against. MIKE FLOOD: Okay. Go ahead. TREASURER GOLDMAN: Justin Goldman, Treasurer.

So my concern with this change is the previous one that you guys just

Page 65 voted to not allow a proxy at one of the board meetings now potentially puts us in jeopardy of not having a quorum. So anything that we discuss may not be able to be voted on.

So I have the concern that we might have more propensity for special meetings to be called to actually vote on those things that people may not have been able to have proxy for.

MIKE FLOOD: Thank you, Justin.
Is there any further discussion on the proposed amendment?

If there is no one else in the affirmative and, Mike, you want to speak against you may.

SPEAKER: No. No, he can't.
MIKE FLOOD: Is there anyone who wants to speak in favor?

Mike, you wanted to speak against, right?

MIKE SROKA: Yeah. That is okay.

MIKE FLOOD: Okay. Hearing no further discussion, do we need to have the

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 clarification, how would it be determined
which votes were removed if this scenario
happened?
MIKE FLOOD: Please identify
yourself.
MIKE SROKA: I am so sorry. It
is my first time.
MIKE FLOOD: Yeah.
MIKE SROKA: Mike Sroka, Greater
Central Florida Soccer League.
How are you doing? Nice to see you again.

THE COURT REPORTER: Fine.
Thanks.

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MIKE SROKA: She knew. She knew.
Anyway, a point of
clarification. So if there is a conflict, how would you determine which -- you know, so you get one or the other. How is it determined which one you get, like which vote?
I guess the second point of the
clarification is this even actually a thing?
MIKE FLOOD: Yes.
MIKE SROKA: It is? How is it determined then?
MIKE FLOOD: The Chair is going
to recognize Becky McLaren for
clarification.
SECRETARY MCLAREN: Becky
McLaren, Secretary.
For instance, if somebody is a member of the Board of Directors and they are also a member of the Hall of Fame or if they are a current member of the Board of Directors and they may be the immediate past president or one of the immediate
MIKE FLOOD: Yes.
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past two presidents, they have to choose which vote they want to carry. That is the difference. It's a personal choice. Once they advise us what their personal choice is, then that vote is removed. MIKE FLOOD: Is there any other discussion on the proposed amendment?

Go ahead.
WAYNE MARTIN: On the -- Wayne Martin.

MIKE FLOOD: Please introduce
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 yourself.

WAYNE MARTIN: I will if you let me.

MIKE FLOOD: Okay.
WAYNE MARTIN: Wayne Martin, Hall of Fame.

MIKE FLOOD: Okay.
WAYNE MARTIN: It talks about the Board of Directors. And, of course -well, I guess I want to know if somebody is both the president of a club and the president of a league, does that person still get to vote for both of those in the AGM under this change?

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| 2 | yes. Because in that case the club and |
| 3 | the league are separate members. The |
| 4 | person in that circumstance, my |
| 5 | understanding is that the person is a |
| 6 | stand in for them. You know, they are |
| 7 | carrying the -- the league is the member, |
| 8 | not the person. |
| 9 | TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich, |
| 10 | Hollywood FC. |
| 11 | I just want to clarify for those |
| 12 | that are confused. This amendment |
| 13 | actually gives voting members more power, |
| 14 | not less. The way it is currently written |
| 15 | it says "no member." |
| 16 | There are three categories of |
| 17 | membership for the Florida Youth Soccer |
| 18 | Association. One is the affiliate, which |
| 19 | is the club. One is an associate, which |
| 20 | is a league or tournament. And one is the |
| 21 | individual member. |
| 22 | have are elected officers or member of |
| 23 | Board of Directors and member of FYSA Hall |
| 24 | of Fame, a past president, or an |

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individual who occupies an unpaid administrative position with the FYSA association or a committee member.

So by adding the word
"individual," you are basically saying you are not going to lose possibly a vote for two clubs that you might host. The way it is written right now, you are actually limited if somebody wanted to enforce it the wrong way.

So a lot of times we make changes in rules -- I know what you guys think -- I am doing it for the right reason because it was improperly written.

And let me know when I run out of time.

The other thing is, most of these changes you are voting today have not been put up by me except for the fact that somebody had to present. Ten people worked on this. We fought over it on Tuesday and Wednesday over Zoom. And these are the ones that I could present this year because so many of them were too convoluted removing things from rules and
just wasn't presented today because we want to go home.

So if you have a question, I will be more than happy to answer. MIKE FLOOD: And just to reiterate, in this case it's the current wording that is ambiguous about -- if you look at the current wording, that is the one that is not clear. We are just trying to make it more clear.

Is there any further discussion on the proposed amendment?

You want to go first?
JOE BARRETTA: Yes.
Joe Barretta, Titusville Soccer
Club. So I just want a point of clarification here on this. It says "individual members," so that would be Board members would be an individual member? So at board meetings you couldn't have a proxy and vote for two different categories?

It says AGM BOD, et cetera. That is what I want to clarify. I can understand if you are an AGM, but board

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meetings since we just talked about proxies. Does this include Board of Directors meetings?

MIKE FLOOD: At a Board of Directors meeting each director gets only one vote anyway. You are not allowed to vote in a Board of Directors meeting because you are a member of the Hall of Fame.

JOE BARRETTA: I am sorry, but it says one vote per member. So if you have a proxy and they are there with a proxy for somebody else, do they get that vote or not?

MIKE FLOOD: We did just eliminate proxies at the Board of Directors in a previous vote, so that would -- you are right that that could have created a potential conflict. But given that we just eliminated proxies at Board of Directors meetings, it's actually not -- the point you are raising is not a problem in this case because there are no proxies anymore for Board of Directors meetings.

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| 1 | LOU CONFESSORE: Okay. It is 74 |
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| 2 | still five minutes before noon. So good |
| 3 | morning everyone. I am Lou Confessore. I |
| 4 | am from the Hall of Fame. |
| 5 | And I want to ask you the |
| 6 | question: Are you kidding me? That's |
| 7 | absolutely insane that you are afraid that |
| 8 | the six of us are going to affect what is |
| 9 | going on here. If we could, we would but |
| 10 | we can't. |
| 11 | It's an honor to be in the Hall |
| 12 | of Fame. You know, this is the only thing |
| 13 | we get to do. My other 15 votes from my |
| 14 | club, I can hand to my wife and she can do |
| 15 | those. The only reason I am here is so |
| 16 | that I can come up here. I guess you |
| 17 | can't take that away from me. |
| 18 | miKE FLOOD: This isn't -- I am |
| 19 | sorry. I didn't mean to cut you off. Go |
| 20 | ahead. |
| 21 | the people who aren't here to hear the |
| 22 | discussion, the other -- there are 13 of |
| 23 | us -- well, the office staff says there is |
| 25 | 11 of us, but I think two of them are not |

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on this, that would nullify the ability
for a proxy in a special in-person
meeting?
SPEAKER: Right.
JOE BARRETTA: It says yes, it says et cetera.
MIKE FLOOD: Just give me one second for clarification.
JOE BARRETTA: Okay.
MIKE FLOOD: Actually, just as a point of clarification, this actually would not eliminate proxies at special meetings. What this is doing, it is not aimed at proxies. It's aimed at somebody having a vote as two different classifications.
MIKE SROKA: Like Marino.
MIKE FLOOD: For example, if -I mean, it wouldn't be -- it's not a situation where, like Marino, couldn't get somebody's proxy at the -- if Hall of Fame members were invited to vote at a board meeting or the special meeting, Marino could not vote at that meeting as a Hall of Fame member and then vote again as a
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board of director.
This amendment is preventing somebody from having -- preventing the class listed as individual members from being able to double dip.

TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich, Hollywood FC.

MIKE FLOOD: Go ahead, Tom.
TOM TIANICH: They already cannot vote by the current rule. Again, we are not restricting, we are actually giving them more power. It currently says, "No member is entitled to more than one vote."

We are only saying it's not all of the members, just the individual members so that they can still vote for their clubs or their league or any other kind of category. The only thing we are doing is adding the word individual.

Because in the full slate of changes that we brought that we worked on, this actually happens in a lot of rules. So when people say rules are broken, they are not broken but they need a little fix

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| 1 | in a lot of places. And I want to say |
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| 2 | that -- I'm not going to mention the |
| 3 | names -- somebody in the audience brought |
| 4 | this to our attention that we have three |
| 5 | types of memberships, and one of them is |
| 6 | individual. |
| 7 | And in many places where it |
| 8 | should say individual from 40 years ago, |
| 9 | we just didn't say it. We are adding the |
| 10 | word individual, we are not taking away. |
| 11 | Nobody is losing votes, you are actually |
| 12 | getting more power to vote. |
| 13 | I don't know if I can be anymore |
| 14 | clearer than this. I apologize really if |
| 15 | you think that. I have nothing against |
| 16 | Hall of Famers. |
| 17 | MIKE FLOoD: Is there any |
| 18 | further discussion regarding this proposed |
| 19 | amendment? |
| 20 | Hearing no discussion, do you |
| 21 | need to have the amendment read to you |
| 22 | again before voting? |
| 23 | SPEAKER: No. |
| 24 | MIKE FLOOD: All voting members |
| 25 | in favor of adopting the amendment press A |

affirmative and 1,823 in the negative.
Let me do a little math. Is that
two-thirds? No. The negative has it, the
amendment is lost. And Bylaw 8 is not
amended.

The next amendment to be amended
is Bylaw 8.7, which is on Page 57, and is
also presented by Tom Tianich.
Is there any discussion on this proposed amendment?

MARINO TORRENS: Marino Torrens, Region A VP.

I don't know how this is going
to -- I would like to propose a fix on
this. Let it be where it says Hall of
Fame members should be allowed to carry a
proxy. The Hall of Famers. So I would
on your keypad. Those opposed press B.
You may now vote.
Has everyone voted who wishes to do so?

The polls are now closed.
(The results were published on the screen.)

There is 3,526 in the
affirmative and 1,823 in the negative.
Let me do a little math. Is that
two-thirds? No. The negative has it, the
amendment is lost. And Bylaw 8 is not amended.

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not -- I don't want to scratch letter D.
    TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich, point
of clarification.
Where at AGM or at Board of Directors meetings? Because this doesn't do anything.
MARINO TORRENS: The Hall of Famers that we have here they don't vote at the Board of Directors meeting. doesn't restrict anything at AGM meeting. We are not taking any proxies from anybody here. It's only in the Board of Directors meetings.
MIKE FLOOD: Please direct your comments to the Chair, if you don't mind, so we have one person at a time.
TOM TIANICH: So --
MIKE FLOOD: Tom, let Marino finish and then \(I\) will recognize you.
Please go ahead, Marino.
MARINO TORRENS: The way I am reading this it says Hall of Famers "may submit their proxy to another member of the Hall of Fame or any member of the
not -- I don't want to scratch letter D.
TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich, point of clarification.
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TOM TIANICH: Exactly. It
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doesn't restrict anything at AGM meeting.
We are not taking any proxies from anybody
here. It's only in the Board of Directors
meetings. finish and then I will recognize you.
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    because the Hall of Famers don't have a
    vote on the Board of Directors meeting.
    MIKE FLOOD: Yes. Go ahead.
    Marino, are you done?
        MARINO TORRENS: Yeah.
        MIKE FLOOD: Tom, you want to
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because the Hall of Famers don't have a
vote on the Board of Directors meeting.
MIKE FLOOD: Yes. Go ahead.
Marino, are you done?
MARINO TORRENS: Yeah.
MIKE FLOOD: Tom, you want to
respond?
TOM TIANICH: Can I, just for a
point of clarification, have somebody
point me to what I am looking at because I
don't see the problem.
MIKE FLOOD: It is Page 58 and
Subsection D. That is struck out.
MARINO TORRENS: Sorry, Mike.
It starts with 57 , which says AGM.
MIKE FLOOD: Yes, right.
MARINO TORRENS: See, that's
where the Hall of Famers give up the
proxy.
MIKE FLOOD: Right.
TOM TIANICH: No, I know what the problem is. The Hall of Famers are individual member and they are already in

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| 1 | (c). So the only reason that we took the |
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| 2 | (d) out so that there was no need to |
| 3 | repeat it. And (c) includes all the |
| 4 | individual members, including the Hall of |
| 5 | Famers and all of the other ones that are |
| 6 | listed on the 1.3 .1 (c), which is elected |
| 7 | officers, members of the Board, members of |
| 8 | FYSA Hall of Fame, past presidents, |
| 9 | individual who -- (unintelligible) -- |
| 10 | their position in FYSA. All of them are |
| 11 | already in that (c). The (d) was just a |
| 12 | duplication. |
| 13 | MIKE FLOOD: Yes. |
| 14 | SPEAKER: I think it is good. |
| 15 | MIKE FLOOD: All right. So |
| 16 | Tom's reading of the rule is correct |
| 17 | there. In the proposed language under |
| 18 | 8.7(c) all individual members are able to |
| 19 | give proxies and Hall of Famers are |
| 20 | individual members. |
| 21 | MARINO TORRENS: I stand |
| 22 | corrected. |
| 23 | MIKE FLOOD: Go ahead, Becky. |
| 24 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Becky |
| 25 | McLaren, Secretary. |

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 permitted as follows at the Annual General Meeting," under (a), the last sentence, beside the Agent of Record, the President is allowed to submit that proxy.So I would propose that we change and add Agent of Record or President.

TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich, Hollywood FC.

MIKE FLOOD: Hold on one second,
Tom.
Is there a second in favor of
the amendment for -- that Becky McLaren has moved forward?

As a sidenote, since that
language is both Section A and Section B in order to keep things uniform, we are going to put it in.

TOM TIANICH: So I would like to second the amendment to the amendment. This was never in the original wording and probably should have been. And obviously since it's all been read, be allowed to amend it.

MIKE FLOOD: So we have a second
for the amendment.
Is there anyone who wants to --
is there any discussion in favor or against the amendments to the proposed amendment?

Hearing no discussion, do you need to have the amendment to the amendment read to you before voting on Becky's amendment?

I know it's a little confusing but ...

SPEAKER: Yes.
MIKE FLOOD: So if it is removed and seconded -- it is moved and seconded to insert "or President" after Agent of Record in the subsections A and B. That is what we are voting on now.

All those in favor press A. And all those opposed press B.

Has everyone had an opportunity to vote?

The polls are now closed. (The results were published on the screen.)

On the amendment to the
amendment there is 5,422 in favor and 190 against.

So now we are back to the
amendment itself in 8.7 as amended to add the words "or President."

Is there any further discussion
on the full proposed amendment to 8.7?
Seeing no discussion, all voting
members in favor of adopting the amendment press A on your keypad. Those opposed press B.

You may vote now -- oops, I am
sorry. Go ahead.
JOE BARRETTA: Joe Barretta
again for Titusville Soccer Club.
So this would mean that there would be no proxy votings at regional meetings?

MIKE FLOOD: No. No, that is not what it says.

JOE BARRETTA: On (a) it says,
"Voting by proxy is not permitted at Board of Directors Meetings and Regional Board Meetings."

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MIKE FLOOD: It is striking proxies from all meetings except the AGM.

JOE BARRETTA: Okay. Thank you. I just wanted that clarification. Thank you.

JOHN STACEY: John Stacey, Past
President Florida Youth Soccer.
The way this current wording, if
approved, would read is that it would
eliminate the proxy at all Board of
Directors meetings and that now conflicts
with the motion that did not pass for
Special Meetings.
MIKE FLOOD: 7.4.
JOHN STACEY: So I would
either -- I would probably make a motion
that says the Board of Directors with the
exception of a specially called meeting or
potentially put in regular board of
directors meeting. I am not sure which would be more palpable.

MIKE FLOOD: Yeah. Can we get a
second on the motion to add special
meetings to keep our votes in order.
TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich,

Hollywood FC.
Again, this one --
MIKE FLOOD: Just looking for a
second right now on John's amendment.
TOM TIANICH: Sure. I will
second to amend this first paragraph to say voting by proxy is not permitted at Board of Directors meetings and Regional Board meetings. Voting by proxy is permitted at Special Board of Directors meetings.

MIKE FLOOD: Right.
So is there any discussion on the further clarification in this amendment to keep it consistent with our prior vote, which is creating an exception for proxies at special meetings?

Any discussion on -- this discussion is on the amendment to the amendment to add the special meeting exception to the language to the proposed amendment?

Do we need to have this read out before voting?

All right. Seeing no discussion
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and seeing that no one requires further reading, if you are in favor of the amendments to the amendment, which is to add the special meeting exception, please press A on your keypad. If you are opposed to the amendment of keeping things organized, please press B.

Has everyone had an opportunity to vote?

The polls are now closed.
(The results were published on the screen.)

There is 5,462 in favor and 245 opposed. Therefore, the amendment to the amendment has passed. And we now include an exception for special meetings in the proposed amendment.

So now we are back to the larger amendment voting on the amendment to 8.7 itself.

Is there any further discussion on the larger 8.7 amendment itself?

Seeing no further discussion, do we need to have the amendment read out?

All right. Seeing no discussion

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| 1 | and no need to read the amendment out, all |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2 | voting members in favor of adopting the |
| 3 | amendment press A on your keypad. Those |
| 4 | opposed press B. |
| 5 | You may now vote. |
| 6 | Has everyone had an opportunity |
| 7 | to vote who wishes to do so? |
| 8 | The polls are now closed. |
| 9 | (The results were published on |
| 10 | the screen.) |
| 11 | We have 4,938 in the affirmative |
| 12 | and 306 in the negative. The affirmative |
| 13 | has it. The amendment is adopted and |
| 14 | Bylaw 8. 7 is amended. |
| 15 | The next amendment to be amended |
| 16 | is Bylaw 13.2, which is on Page 60, and |
| 17 | this is also presented by Tom Tianich. |
| 18 | Is there any discussion on this |
| 19 | proposed amendment? |
| 20 | Hearing no discussion, do we |
| 21 | need to have the amendment read again |
| 22 | before voting? |
| 23 | adopting this amendment press A on your |
| 25 | keypad. And those opposed press B. |

-       You may now vote.
      Has everyone voted who wishes to
    
do so?
The polls are closed.
(The results were published on
the screen.)
There is 5,231 in the
affirmative and 260 in the negative. The
affirmative has it. The amendment is
adopted and Bylaw 13.2 is amended.
The next rule to be amended --
or the next amendment to be amended is
Rule 102.3, which is on Page 61, and was
presented by Barb Newton.
Hearing no discussion, do you
need to have the amendment read again
before voting?
Is there any discussion on the
proposed amendment?
All voting members in favor of
adopting the amendment press $A$ on your
keypad. Those opposed press B.
You may now vote.
Has everyone voted who wishes to
do so?

The polls are closed.
(The results were published on the screen.)

There are 5,083 in the
affirmative and 164 in the negative. The affirmative has it and the amendment is adopted and Rule 102.3 is amended.

The next amendment is to Rule 102.5, which is on Page 62, and was submitted by Jen DiTillio.

Is there any discussion on this proposed amendment?

SPEAKER: What about Page 61?
MIKE FLOOD: Did I skip 61?
We just voted on Page 61. Page 61 is 102.3 and we just did that one.

Now we are on Page 62, which is 102.5. Is there any discussion on the proposed amendment?

Hearing no discussion, do you need to have the amendment read to you before voting?

All voting members in favor of adopting the amendment press $A$ on your keypad. Those opposed press B. You may
now vote.
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Has everyone voted who wishes to do so?

The polls are now closed.
(The results were published on the screen.)

There is 5,023 in the affirmative and 320 in the negative. The affirmative has it. The amendment is adopted and Rule 102.5 is amended.

The next rule to be amended is Rule 201.1 and 201.2 on Page 63. And this is also submitted by Jen DiTillio.

Is there any discussion on the proposed amendments?

ALAN DAYTON: Alan Dayton, Weston Soccer Club.

This seems to be sort of like a sneaky way of getting back into the old 100 percent affiliation rule which was struck down by the Federation years ago. And I think it's going to invite a lot of issues, litigation, ambiguity.

And I don't know that FYSA would have jurisdiction to enforce this anyway

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are calling the RBPs or they are calling
the secretary or they are calling anyone
in the office with a problem and your kid
is not registered, are you telling your
parents when you have an in-house program
that they are not registered with FYSA
when you are an FYSA affiliate?
To me if you are in a program in
FYSA, you are either all in or you are all
out. Thank you.
MIKE FLOOD: Okay. Mike.
MIKE SROKA: Mike Sroka, Greater
Central Florida Youth Soccer League.
A point of clarification, I
guess this mostly goes to Joel. So if you
are an affiliate and you do have a number
of players, all your competitive players
registered per se but not your in-house,
and an incident does happen, could FYSA
still be sued or liable for that incident
that's involved players that weren't
registered but within a club that is?
MIKE FLOOD: USA stands for you
sue anyone, but I will let Joel answer.

MIKE SROKA: Well, I think I know the answer, but I am asking the question so everybody else hears.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DRAGAN: Thanks, Mike.

Actually, this has been a great
topic of debate throughout the entire weekend. I know I have chatted with you guys on it as well. I guess to directly answer your question, we can absolutely still be sued over it. There is absolutely nothing from stopping someone from suing. And that really does get at the heart of the issue.

The liability coverage that we supply to all of the membership, it doesn't have the boundaries that the participant accident does. Because we are talking about litigation here, our liability coverage is going to cover the acts of your club as an association. So that is why it is important to register all of your players with FYSA because we are putting our liability coverage out there for all that you do whether it is

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interacting, whether you are registering them with another organization or not.

There are concerns to your point about the Federation policy, but it is certainly a question of liability. And when you do not register all of your players with FYSA, you are putting yourself and FYSA in jeopardy.

MIKE FLOOD: Thank you, Joel.
MIKE SROKA: Just for --
MIKE FLOOD: Go ahead.
MIKE SROKA: I still have the
floor, right?
MIKE FLOOD: Yeah, go ahead.
MIKE SROKA: So long story
short, if you don't register those players and something happens, FYSA is still going to have to be liable to defend that for something that you didn't technically pay for?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DRAGAN: It is hard to speak in absolutes. But in the situation you are describing, yeah.

MIKE SROKA: Yeah.
MIKE FLOOD: Go ahead, Lou.

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| 1 | LOU CONFESSORE: As president I | 1 | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DRAGAN: I |
| 2 | was involved with this controversy from | 2 | have some -- enforcing this rule, it is |
| 3 | he beginning. As vice president in the | 3 | going to be difficult. And without |
| 4 | 2000s, I was a big advocate and Weston | 4 | getting a little bit more information on |
| 5 | knows me well because I threatened them | 5 | the affiliation with the school, I think |
| 6 | all the time about it, as Boca and several | 6 | that would probably land outside of the |
| 7 | other clubs, | 7 | risdiction of US Soccer. You should be |
| 8 | w | 8 | okay. |
| 9 | Federation, as I understand it, is that | 9 | t, again, when we are talking |
| 10 | you are okay if you have your great | 10 | about issues of liability, leave out US |
| 11 | players or whatever other players, most of | 11 | Soccer Federation policy and bylaws. It |
| 12 | you have your competitive players in | 12 | is really difficult to speak in terms of |
| 13 | another organization that is not FYSA, US | 13 | absolutes. And I apologize that I can't |
| 14 | Club. | 14 | be more specific, but I would have to have |
| 15 | e Federation solved the | 15 | a sidebar and see what the relationship is |
| 16 | problem by making more money. They | 16 | like with the school |
| 17 | allowed themselves to get into the youth | 17 | If pressed to ask, right now I |
| 18 | association. The Federation allowed US | 18 | would say no, you would be okay. I view |
| 19 | Club to become an affiliate run by God | 19 | in-house programs as your youngest |
| 20 | knows who. It is not run by USYS. And | 20 | reational kids. I think that linkage |
| 21 | that's when all of the competitive clubs | 21 | to the school would probably put you |
| 22 | and all the competitive leagues and all | 22 | outside of it. But truly it might come to |
| 23 | that other | 23 | an interpretation of our own Rules and |
| 24 | ing | 24 | Revisions Commit |
| 25 | tell you is, if you have an AYSO unit in | 25 | SPEAKER: I am not part of a |
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|  | your club, you are fine because they are | 1 | school, it's just an in-house program we |
| 2 | affiliated. If you have a USSA affiliate | 2 | do have. So it's not related to school at |
| 3 | in your club, you should think again but | 3 | all |
| 4 | you are fine. You are fine as far as this | 4 | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DRAGAN: Oh, |
| 5 | is concerned. | 5 | I apologize. Again, this would be pretty |
| 6 | (Microphone turned off.) | 6 | ear that if it's an in-house program, |
| 7 | MIKE FLOOD: Thank you, Lou. | 7 | ou would need to register them with FYSA |
| 8 | Your time i | 8 | ou wouldn't need to maintain that |
| 9 | LOU CONFESSORE: Yeah, it is. | 9 | additional insurance. |
| 10 | SPEAKER: Matt | 10 | PEAKER: Okay. Thank you. |
| 11 | unintelligible due to laughter) -- Soccer | 11 | GREGORY FROM LAUDERDALE: Joel, |
| 12 | Training C | 1 | I have got a question on this one. I am |
| 13 | I want to ask the question that | 13 | Gregory from Lauderdale. |
| 14 | we -- so we have an after-school program | 14 | The in-house program in the City |
| 15 | avel team. So then when we do | 15 | of Lauderdale, Florida is ran by the city. |
| 16 | avel team, we always register with FYSA. | 16 | So they are not going to go with it. And |
| 17 | And then when we have after school, we had | 17 | as you know, the City of Lauderdale is a |
| 18 | insurance for the past 15 years for our | 18 | city program. So the travel competition |
| 19 | in-house prog | 19 | is put on there, as I said, but the |
| 20 | So if this does get passed, do | 20 | in-house is put under the city insurance |
| 21 | we have to switch over to | 21 | and everything on the city. |
| 22 | gister the kids? Or can we use our same | 22 | So how does this work then? Now |
| 23 | insurance? | 23 | you are asking the city to put their |
| 24 | MIKE FLOOD: Yeah, I will have | 24 | in-house program into FYSA? |
| 25 | Joel answer this. | 25 | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DRAGAN: I |

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| 1 | don't think that we could obligate the 102 |
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| 2 | city to register their players with us. |
| 3 | And I think we have to look at some of |
| 4 | the -- the relationship from the club |
| 5 | itself to us. I am not familiar with your |
| 6 | particular situation and the relationship |
| 7 | from the city to be an affiliate as we |
| 8 | recognize it at FYSA. |
| 9 | So I would have to dig a bit |
| 10 | deeper. Again, I feel like I am being |
| 11 | dodgy in this, but it is really tough to |
| 12 | give you absolutes sitting up here without |
| 13 | knowing more about your association. |
| 14 | MIKE FLOOD: I think it's clear |
| 15 | that this amendment creates special |
| 16 | situations for many groups. I don't |
| 17 | necessarily think we should discuss out |
| 18 | individual situations. Those should be |
| 19 | done separately. |
| 20 | hers just a general amendment |
| 21 | here as whether or not you have to |
| 22 | register your in-house players and then |
| 23 | each club will have to figure out exactly |
| 24 | what that means for them. |
| 25 | TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich, |

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Hollywood FC.
A point of clarification. I
think what Jennifer is trying to -- first of all, there is Bylaw -- sorry -- Rule 102.1(3) which says in order to get your affiliation the following year, it is the intent of the organization by application, the member, the club, will register 100 percent of their players, coaches, administrators, and volunteers, who will have direct interface with its players, each year with the Florida Youth Soccer Association.

We are not changing anything here except clarifying that in-house programs are included because the number one complaint was when people asked about this one -- and I know Jackie worked hard this year to collect all of the little players that were missing here and there -- is that, oh, I don't have in-house.

So I believe we are really not changing anything because you still have 100 percent listed somewhere else, which

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we won't be able to strike out.
    Let's go home.
    MIKE FLOOD: Thank you, Tom.
    Is there any additional
    discussion on the proposed amendment?
    Hearing no discussion, do you
    need to have the amendment read out?
            In that case all voting members
    in favor of adopting the amendment press A
    on your keypad. Those opposed press B.
        You may vote now.
        Has everyone had the opportunity
        to vote that wishes to do so?
        The polls are closed.
        (The results were published on
        the screen.)
            We have 2,725 in favor and 2,952
    opposed. The negative has it. The
    amendment is lost and Rules 201.1 and
    201.2 are not amended.
    The next amendment to be amended
    is to Rule 201.4, which is on Page 64, and
    this was also submitted by Jen DiTillio.
    Is there any discussion on this
    proposed amendment?
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            Hearing no discussion, do you
    need to have the amendment read before
voting?
In that case all voting members
in favor of adopting the amendment press A
on your keypad. Those opposed press B.
You may now vote.
Has everyone voted that wishes
to do so?
The polls are no closed.
(The results were published on
the screen.)
There are 5,378 votes in the
affirmative and 165 in the negative. The
affirmative has it. The amendment is
adopted and Rule 201.4 is amended.
The next amendment to be amended
is Rule 201.9 and 201.9.3, which is on
Page 65, also submitted by Jen DiTillio.
Is there any discussion on this
proposed amendment?
Hearing no discussion, do you
need to have the amendment read to you
again before voting?
In that case all voting members

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    in favor of adopting the amendment press A
    on your keypad. And those opposed press
    B.
    You may now vote.
    Has everyone voted who wishes to
do so?
    The polls are now closed.
    (The results were published on
the screen.)
    There is 5,555 in the
affirmative and 7 in the negative. The
affirmative has it. The amendment is
adopted. And Rules 201.9 and 201.9.3 are
amended.
The next amendment to be amended
is Rule 205.2, on Page 66, and this is
presented by Daniel Prenat.
    Is there any discussion on the
proposed amendment?
    Hearing no discussion, do you
need to have the amendment read to you
again before voting?
    All voting members in favor of
adopting the amendment press A on your
keypad. Those opposed press B.
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You may vote now.
do so?
The polls are now closed.
(The results were published on
the screen.)
There are 4,409 in the
affirmative and 1,078 in the negative.
The affirmative has it. The amendment is
adopted. And the Rule 205.2 is amended.
The next amendment to be amended
is Rule 205.3, on Page 67. And this was
presented by Tom Tianich.
Is there any discussion on the
proposed amendment?
TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich,
Hollywood FC.
I got more drinks this weekend
because of this one amendment.
I think we all believe that kids
shouldn't play ten games a day. The rule
allows for them to play two games with the
same team. The way I always read this
rule is that you were not allowed to play
with two different teams on the same day.

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And with my teams, and I do need a clubhouse player, I put one game on the Saturday and one game on the Sunday.

There is no skin off my back whether this passes or doesn't pass. But if I start doing what others around me are doing, (a) my coaches would like me more and (b) I wouldn't have to worry about violating the rule. The way that I read it today it says you cannot play two teams in the same day.

So, Mike, you can say whatever you want to say, but it's like it is either one way or it's the other way. The way that it is written, it is just muddy and it's -- I don't think the rule should be muddy. The rule should be clear. If we don't like the rule, we change it. I am perfectly fine striking it completely out, but let's not muddy the waters, let's clarify. That is the only thing I am trying to accomplish.

MIKE SROKA: Mike Sroka, Greater Central Florida Youth Soccer League.

So I understand most of your
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intent. Obviously, kids playing five games in a day running around playing this team and that team. I mean, that's poor decision-making by a DOC, right?

But this change here will actually make it so kids are playing less soccer. It's going to be a bunch of administers making decisions to figure out a way for kids to play less, which is not why we are here. So there are the unintended consequences I would say from this.

So, for instance, a lot of clubs here have, let's say, U-11 girls, you have got too many players for one team, but not enough for two. So you make your two teams and you need to share players, the club has some players across so these girls can play rather than sending a number of them away.

Under this scenario they would not be able to play for both teams on Saturday. We would have to reschedule one and pay them $\$ 25$, or whatever, so this team can play and they are ten, two games

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in a day, which is fine according to the
tournament, but two games in a day because
it's two different teams within your club
that you are trying to sustain. So when
six other players show up over Christmas
break, now you still have two teams where
you would have been forced to eliminate
one of them.
So the unintended consequences
here that you will be restricting kids
from playing. They are ten. They can
play two games in a day. You know what
they are going to do, they are going to go
home after and go in the pool and then
they are going to kick the ball around
with their friends.
I don't understand the
unnecessary restrictions. I agree this
does need to be cleaned up and be a lot
more clear. But forcing kids to only be
able to play one game in a day is -- when
they are more than capable of something
else is -- I don't know. It's not why we
are here.

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here, sorry.

MARINO TORRENS: Marino Torrens, Region A VP

Mike, the rule is already there.
That rule says that you cannot --
MIKE FLOOD: Please address the
chair. Don't have a debate, please,
between yourselves.
MARINO TORRENS: Sorry.
MIKE FLOOD: Mike, please sit
down. If you want to get back up, you can
get back up in a minute.
MARINO TORRENS: The rules --
this is not changing the rule, the
original rule. It's just clarifying the
club past players. Because the rule
already says you can only play for one
team per day.
MIKE SROKA: So if I am reading
it correctly --
MIKE FLOOD: Just a reminder,
Mike.
MIKE SROKA: Mike Sroka. This
is --
MIKE FLOOD: Yeah, just a
reminder. You can address a second time.
You are allowed to address twice for a thing.

SPEAKER: Somebody else. Cris.
CRIS WHITTAKER: Cris Whittaker, Region $B$.

I am against this rule. Let's let the coaches coach. Let's play soccer. That's what we are here for. I mean, more rules and more stuff. I mean, let's just strike the rule -- the amendment, sorry.

JENNA SCAGLIONE: Jenna
Scaglione, Central Brevard Soccer.
Just coming from a small club, this rule would be really difficult to follow to be able to field teams.
Multiple teams do need to share players. We do our best to do what we can to put games in the morning and games in the afternoon. But in order for teams to be formed and for them to get to play the game, sharing players oftentimes is required.

MIKE FLOOD: Thank you.
Any further discussion on this
amendment?
Hearing no further discussion -DAN ROTH: Dan Roth, Nature

Coast Soccer.
I get it for some of the smaller clubs that are trying to build how this helps. But as we are a smaller club, too, and we are building up our comp program right now, what I see a lot of is with larger or more established programs.

Where we are building ours and we are in division two. I think we have got maybe one or two teams in division three. And then we got one or two teams in division two. And we go and we will play a team that's supposed to be division three and then we will play them a second time later in the season or later in the tournament, and they will have six new kids that are obviously from a higher division that are playing against our kids. And it really hurts the moral of our kids in the program we are trying to build.

So I get both sides of it, but I

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| 1 | mean -- I don't know what more to say on |
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| 2 | that. |
| 3 | LEE LEVENBERG: Lee Levenberg, |
| 4 | Plantation FC. |
| 5 | I would like to propose an |
| 6 | amendment to the change here. And this is |
| 7 | how I believe it will accomplish what |
| 8 | everybody who is against this right now is |
| 9 | saying and also accomplish what Tom is |
| 10 | looking for. |
| 11 | Players may only participate |
| 12 | with two teams per day. Players may not |
| 13 | play -- |
| 14 | MIKE FLOOD: I am sorry, you |
| 15 | cannot -- we can only amend the areas in |
| 16 | red. |
| 17 |  |
| 18 | LEE LEVENBERG: Oh. Next year. |
| 19 | Central Florida Youth Soccer League. |
| 20 | Yes. So I was trying to be |
| 21 | creative myself, but there is four words, |
| 22 | right? And, you know, according to the |
| 23 | parliamentary rules you are only allowed |
| 24 | to amend what's been proposed for |

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There was a solution I think to meet middle way, but not with those four words you have to work with, right?

So this gentleman's scenario that he was bringing up is two different days, so I understand and sympathize with his play but that is not necessarily relevant with respect to talking about in a single day playing.

So I just urge everybody to vote against this. I do think this discussion is merited and a new proposal perhaps next year that clearly lays out. Because right now it just says club pass. It doesn't say anything about primary roster players, so it does need to be cleaned up.

But this will cause more
problems than it fixes I think in the interim. So please vote against this and we can readdress this next year with new language. Thank you.

RODOLFO LOPES: Rodolfo, Director of Hunter's Creek.

So thinking about -- I think
this rule is not great, especially when
you have, like, a seven-to-seven team and
you have seven players on your team and you are trying to do throughout the year. And then on the weekends you are missing those players because they have something else to do and now you cannot add a player from another team to have that team.

So now I have to keep
rescheduling or I am just going to turn down the seven players because we don't have a full roster. I don't think -- I think this is against what we are trying to do as soccer and as a club.

MIKE FLOOD: Is there anyone who wants to speak in favor of this amendment?

TOM TIANICH: (Stands.)
MIKE FLOOD: Tom, I think you have already spoken twice on this. Right, you did?

TOM TIANICH: Once.
MIKE FLOOD: Just once? Okay. I am sorry. My fault.

TOM TIANICH: May I please ask the Board to take Lee's recommendation and pass a rule to say that two and two and

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two today. When you meet after this meeting, they will work for a year. I won't be violating anything the way I am reading it and all of those who are already reading it, Marino and everybody else saying you cannot play two games. Let us play two games for a year, we can adopt it next year, but we don't have to wait a whole year for the change.

So if you want to make an emergency change, this is the one I challenge you to please do today.

MIKE FLOOD: Thank you, Tom.
The Board will take that under advisement separately.

Let's stay to this amendment as we have it. Is there any further discussion on the amendment as presented?

Hearing no further discussion, do you need to have the amendment read to you before voting?

Seeing that it doesn't need to be read, all voting members in favor of adopting the amendment press $A$ on your keypad. Those opposed press B.

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| You may now vote. <br> Has everyone voted who wishes to <br> do so? <br> The polls are now closed. <br> (The results were published on <br> the screen.) <br> There are 1,653 in favor and 4,048 in the negative. The negative has it. The amendment is lost and the Rule is not amended. <br> The next amendment to be amended is Rule 303, which is on Page 68, and was presented by Jen DiTillio. <br> Is there any discussion on the amendment to Rule 303 ? <br> Hearing no discussion, do you have to have the amendment read to you again before voting? <br> Seeing no request for reading, all voting members in favor of adopting the amendment press A on your keypad. And those opposed press B. <br> You may now vote. <br> Has everyone voted who wishes to <br> do so? <br> The polls are now closed. <br> (The results were published on <br> the screen.) <br> There are 5,619 in favor and 13 opposed. The affirmative has it. The amendment is adopted and Rule 303 is amended. <br> The next amendment to be amended is Rule 401.6 on Page 57. This is Tom Tianich. <br> Is there any discussion on this proposed amendment? <br> Hearing no discussion -- sorry. <br> ENGRID SPENCE: Weston FC, <br> Engrid Spence. <br> I guess what Tom is getting at, but there is a lot of clubs that have multiple affiliations, U.S. Club, MLS, FYSA. If you pass this, they are just going to do it under a different affiliation anyway. And I am not sure, you know, that is something that can be held. | people, you know, not 100 percent FYSA. <br> MIKE FLOOD: Thank you. <br> MIKE SROKA: Mike Sroka, Greater <br> Central Florida Youth Soccer League. <br> How are you all doing today? <br> I will keep this short. So if <br> we don't pass this, she said we do pass it, the other affiliations will just move. But if we don't, they will do the same thing either way, right? I mean, it's a cat and mouse game. <br> I believe that the heart of this change is to give each region the power. The Board of Directors will set the tryout date, but each region will also now have the ability to sort of veto that and set their own tryout date for their region within the parameters set here. I think it is the first week of May, right, and then Labor Day? <br> So correct me if I am wrong, the intent is to give each region a little more power, a little more say on having trials in their area. Obviously, we are a big state. There is different challenges <br> Page 121 <br> in Miami as opposed to Tallahassee. I can see how this would actually be beneficial. Or each region can do nothing and just keep it as decided by the powers to be. <br> So this actually does give flexibility to each region to come together and have their say for their area. <br> MIKE FLOOD: Thank you. <br> So any further discussion on the proposed amendment? <br> Hearing no further discussion, do you need to have the amendment read before voting? <br> Seeing that there is no need to read, all voting members in favor of adopting the amendment press $A$ on your keypad. And those opposed press B. <br> You may vote now. <br> Has everyone voted who wishes to <br> do so? <br> Polls are now closed. <br> (The results were published on the screen.) |
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2,283 opposed. The affirmative has it.
The amendment is adopted and Rule 401.6 is
amended.
    As a sidenote just for
clarification, we are on rules now which
are 50 percent to amend and bylaws are
two-thirds. So therefore, the affirmative
has it.
The next amendment to be amended
are Rules 404 and 404 -- 404 through
404.7, which can be found on Page 75 in
your book -- I am sorry, 74, 75, 76, and
77. And this is submitted by Jen
DiTillio.
    Is there any discussion on the
proposed amendment?
    Hearing no discussion, do you
need to have the amendment read before
voting?
    Seeing there is no need to read,
all voting members in favor of adopting
the amendment press A on your keypad. And
those opposed press B.
    You may now vote.
    Has everyone voted that wishes
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The polls are closed.
(The results were published on
the screen.)
There are 4,548 in favor and 339
opposed. The affirmative has it. The
amendment is adopted and Rules 404 through
404.7 are amended.
The next amendment to be amended
is Rule 405 through 405.7, which begins on
Page 78 of your book. And this is
submitted by Jen DiTillio.
Is there any discussion on this
proposed amendment?
Hearing no discussion, do you
need to have the amendment read before
voting?
Seeing there is no need to read,
those -- all voting members, those in
favor press A and those opposed press B.
You may now vote.
Has everyone voted who wishes to
do so?
The polls are closed.
(The results were published on
the screen.)
The results are 5,269 votes in the affirmative and 42 in the negative. The affirmative has it. The amendment is adopted and Rules 405 through 405.7 are amended.

The next amendment to be amended is to Rule 504.1, which is on Page 81 in your book, which was presented by me, Michael Flood.

Is there any discussion on the proposed amendment?

I would like to speak to this. Should I step down or should I just stay here?

MIKE SROKA: Maybe I can save you a trip. Mike Sroka, Greater Central Florida Soccer League.

A point of clarification, so the intention of this is to make sure that it's universal that if a player receives a red card at the game that the next FYSA sanctioned events counts towards his red card tally, his or her red card tally. And it removes the ability for, let's say,

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a local league to say you have got to serve it in our league.

And now this player is
suspended. It's the end of the season and now he is suspended for three tournaments or whatever because he can't play because there is no more league games to serve it.

So it just crystalizes the fact that if a player gets a four-game suspension in a local league and they have a tournament and the kid sits out those three games, it counts towards that red card suspension.

Do I understand that correctly?
MIKE FLOOD: That is correct.
MIKE SROKA: So it's just to
streamline and make sure everyone --
currently there are kids that are
operating the same -- on the same, yeah.
MIKE FLOOD: Currently there are kids being double punished. They are getting a red card in an FYSA event -- or I am sorry, one league event and then they are playing other FYSA events and being -having to sit there and then returning to

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| 1 | their league and having to sit again to |
| 2 | serve it out in their league. |
| 3 | And so, this is intended to |
| 4 | prevent double punishment and also to make |
| 5 | it much easier on our office staff to |
| 6 | track, which is also important here. |
| 7 | MIKE SROKA: Thank you. Nice |
| 8 | job. |
| 9 | MIKE FLOOD: Is there any |
| 10 | further on this -- Becky? |
| 11 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: I have a |
| 12 | question. Becky McLaren, Secretary. |
| 13 | Where Mike just addressed |
| 14 | leagues, does this include FYSA's own |
| 15 | league which is SPL, which according to |
| 16 | their rules they have to serve their |
| 17 | suspension within that league? |
| 18 | MIKE FLOOD: Yes, this makes it |
| 19 | so that you serve the next -- you serve |
| 20 | the red card at the next FYSA event |
| 21 | whatever that is. |
| 22 | Is there any further discussion? |
| 23 | Marino? |
| 24 | MARINO TORRENS: Hold on. |
| 25 | SPEAKER: Just a point of |

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clarification. So that means that if I have a player I can add them to one of my teams next tournament under that roster is that going to serve as suspension?

MIKE FLOOD: No. No, if he is suspended in the league and then the next weekend he plays a tournament that is not associated with that league, he has got to -- as this -- if this is adopted, he would have to then serve the red card at the next FYSA sanctioned event.

I mean, of course if you are playing your tournament in Maryland, then, yeah, FYSA can't really track that.

SPEAKER: But my point is, let's
say if he plays the league game and he is
on two rosters or not, I can add him to
another roster playing that tournament the
following weekend, right?
MIKE FLOOD: No.
SPEAKER: Okay.
MARINO TORRENS: Marino Torrens,
VP Region A.
Just to clarify that you have to
serve it with the team that you got the

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red card?
MIKE FLOOD: Yes.
MARINO TORRENS: What about if
you are a guest playing on that team?
MIKE FLOOD: I would need clarification of that myself. I don't know.
MARINO TORRENS: Yeah, that would fall most probably for what he is saying that \(I\) can bring a guest player to a league -- a club guest player to a league, he is not registered to that team, because a red card he can serve with his original team.
MIKE FLOOD: Yeah, I --
MIKE SROKA: So Mike Sroka, Greater Central Florida Youth Soccer League.
Can I just say GCF for now on? It's the acronym for us.
MIKE FLOOD: All right.
MIKE SROKA: It's common sense. Come on, that should be common sense. The kid got a red card, you get four games. The next four FYSA sanctioned events,
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right? I mean, do we need to propose an amendment to cover that scenario to this? SPEAKER: Yes.

MIKE FLOOD: We could. I will leave that to the floor.

MIKE SROKA: I mean, yeah, I don't know if it's could, he should or should not is what we need to discuss.

So the scenario was, if a player is guest playing for another team, third game of the tournament that is going to be it, gets a red card, it's violent conduct, four games. He can't serve it with that team. He is just a guest player for that weekend. So --

MIKE FLOOD: I think I would suggest that this change is not altering whatever the standard -- whatever the standing rule is on that, this is not altering that.

What this is altering is the ability for a kid to be double punished. MIKE SROKA: I agree. That's what I thought. My first comment was this should be common sense, right? So I

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| 2 | SPEAKER: If leave it as it is |
| 3 | as -- I am for this. |
| 4 | MIKE SROKA: I cannot say that. |
| 5 | Sorry. That is my next time. |
| 6 | MIKE FLOOD: I am sorry, go |
| 7 | ahead over there. |
| 8 | SPEAKER: (Unintelligible) -- |
| 9 | West Pines. |
| 10 | So I have a question. The kid |
| 11 | pays FSPL, last tournament of the season, |
| 12 | that team gets demoted, when does he serve |
| 13 | his suspension if he doesn't play at FSPL |
| 14 | the following year? |
| 15 | MIKE FLOOD: The next time he |
| 16 | plays any FYSA sanctioned event. |
| 17 | SPEAKER: They could be a |
| 18 | tournament? |
| 19 | MIKE FLOOD: If it's a FYSA |
| 20 | sanctioned event, you serve the red card |
| 21 | immediately. That is what this is doing. |
| 22 | SPEAKER: Thank you. |
| 23 | ENGRID SPENCE: Engrid Spence, |
| 24 | Weston FC. |
| 25 | I just want a point of |

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clarification. Everybody is talking about league, league, league, league. But I see in number two State Cup, President's Cup. So if somebody gets a red card in their last State Cup game, they can serve it in their regular tournament or regular league?

MIKE FLOOD: Yes. It's the next FYSA sanctioned event they serve that.

SECRETARY MCLAREN: No, no, no.
State Cup you cannot serve it in the next FYSA sanctioned event. It has to be served in national championship play because the State Cup is considered part of national championship play.

So if you get a red card in your last game of State Cup and you don't advance, it will carry over to next year's State Cup where they will serve it. It will not keep them from playing during the year.

If they go to Southern Regionals and they get a red card and they get
eliminated, they have to serve it in our
State Cup when they come back if they play
next year. Same thing if they get it in the last game of nationals, it carries over to the following year.

President's Cup does not. If they get eliminated from playing, they may serve it in the next sanctioned match. MIKE FLOOD: Thank you, Becky. (Conversation going on amongst members.)

MIKE FLOOD: Please address the
Chair.
SECRETARY MCLAREN: And you are not sitting out every event in between the national championship play.

TOM TIANICH: Tom Tianich. MIKE FLOOD: Go ahead, Tom. TOM TIANICH: I think my microphone is turned off. No? What a surprise. Tom Tianich, Hollywood FC.

Just to clarify, the red card in 402 point -- sorry, 504.2 -- it's a long day. A red card suspension received as a guest player may only be served at the player's primary team, through the player's primary team is not active they

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cannot.
So to answer your question, you cannot serve it with that team because -and we probably should clean this up. Because I want to address the registrar, when we eliminated the secondary roster players and when we clarify club pass, there is still leagues that are using guest player and club intermediately and it kind of confuses things. Because really there should be no guest players in leagues, there should be club pass players, correct?

MIKE FLOOD: Yes.
So let me just clarify one thing. Without question our rules covering red cards probably should be cleaned up and elements of our rules are unclear.

This amendment is trying to address only the double punishment. And, you know, the kids get punished, serve the punishment, and then they get returned to their league and get punished again. And that complaint lands our staff. Like, I

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| 1 | got a three-game suspension and I am being |
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| 2 | suspended for six games. That is what |
| 3 | this is trying to change. It is not |
| 4 | trying to alter any other elements of our |
| 5 | red card rules. |
| 6 | That is not to say that elements |
| 7 | of our red card rules should not be |
| 8 | changed or should be changed, but this |
| 9 | proposed amendment is addressing that |
| 10 | situation. |
| 11 | Marion, is this your second time |
| 12 | speaking? |
| 13 | MARINO TORRENS: Yes. |
| 14 | MIKE FLOOD: Okay. |
| 15 | MARINO TORRENS: So it's a |
| 16 | point -- Marino Torrens VP for Region A. |
| 17 | I have got a question for you, |
| 18 | though. Is this part saying that issued |
| 19 | during league playing must be worked off |
| 20 | during the remainder of the competition, |
| 21 | that means the whole league season? The |
| 22 | remainder of the competition for that |
| 23 | league could be eight months. So if you |
| 24 | serve it on the first game of FSPL, which |
| 25 | is a Sunday, for instance, I am just -- |

> MIKE FLOOD: Yeah, you cannot 136 come back to the microphone on this, Mike. I am sorry. You can have somebody else speak, but you have spoken twice. You are allowed to speak twice on each thing. You can have somebody else do it.
> The Chair recognizes Jim Carlo. Jim Carlo, please state your name and your position.
> JIM CARLO: Jim Carlo, Events Coordinator.
> So the issue with the current rule, like you are saying, you get a red card in the league and then you have a tournament game in between your next league game, so you serve. Per our rules you need to serve on that tournament, your next FYSA match.
> But then the league rules say you must serve in their league, so they end up serving in the tournament and in the league. Double punishment.
> My change -- this change
> proposes that you serve in your competition first. And if you have other

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you don't play on a FSPL game for two weeks, but you play in a tournament the following weekend, you cannot serve it in the following week, as you said, you would have to serve it with that league for the remainder of the competition?

MIKE FLOOD: No. It's
correcting that problem, Marino.
MARINO TORRENS: It says during league play must be worked off during the remainder of the competition. The first words in red says remainder of the competition. So you have to serve it in that league where you got it. At least that is my interpretation.

MIKE FLOOD: So I think I can
get clarification for you from the next speaker, if you don't mind. So the Chair is going to recognize Jim Carlo, one of our directors of competition, to provide some information on this.

And, Mike Sroka, you have spoken
twice on this now.
MIKE SROKA: I was not. Mine
was a point of clarification.

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| 1 | would go -- this would do that. |
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| 2 | MELISSA HOWARD: This would |
| 3 | effect also the league -- |
| 4 | MIKE FLOOD: Yes. |
| 5 | MELISSA HOWARD: -- rules as |
| 6 | well? They would have to be changed? |
| 7 | MIKE FLOOD: Yeah. Yeah, this |
| 8 | would be superseding. |
| 9 | Is there any further discussion |
| 10 | on this amendment? |
| 11 | BARRY WITLIN: Barry Witlin, |
| 12 | South Florida United. |
| 13 | I don't understand what the |
| 14 | problem is with allowing leagues, like |
| 15 | ours, require red card service within our |
| 16 | league so long as the games are still |
| 17 | being able to be played. I understand the |
| 18 | concept of double punishment and we try to |
| 19 | avoid it. |
| 20 | But we are dealing with a |
| 21 | situation that I think you are taking away |
| 22 | from the leagues, what we do best because |
| 23 | we deal with it at the local level, and |
| 24 | some of our rules are best served within |
| 25 | the context of our leagues. |

> first, that means you can apply your suspension in your league. What it is saying is we are just preventing players serving in another competition and then having to serve in your competition as well.
> So if the red card was received in your competition, it's only going to be served in your competition as long as you have games left. When your competition is done, then you would serve at your next FYSA match.
> It's just confusing the way it
> is right now because State Cup and President's Cup the way it is, it is already like that. You only serve in State Cup or President's Cup. And then in State Cup it carries over to the next year. But in President's Cup you only serve in President's Cup in the season of the year. And when the season of the year is over, then you serve it at your next FYSA match. And then for the leagues currently, you need to serve at your next FYSA match.

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to -- you know, could there be double punishment? Yes, there could be. But there is also a way around serving it in our league.

And if there is a dangerous element to it by our economy or something like that, then the kid could actually play so soon after that because of competitions outside of our league. I think that creates a danger within our league that I don't think FYSA should support or a rule should be made that we have to follow that makes that happen.

MIKE FLOOD: Thank you.
Is there any further discussion on the proposed amendment?

The Chair recognizes Jim Carlo. Go ahead.

JIM CARLO: Jim Carlo, Events Coordinator.

I just want to clarify we are not going to make any leagues change their rules. It is the opposite. So by having the players serve in the competition
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So as you can see, we have a different procedure for State Cup, a different procedure for President's Cup, and a different procedure for leagues. So by passing this change it will be the same procedure as President's Cup, for instance, you need to serve in the competition. And only when that competition is over, then you serve at your next FYSA match.

So you will make the same process that we already have for President's Cup, it would be for the leagues. So it would be clear and fair for everybody.

Thank you.
MIKE FLOOD: Thank you.
Is there any further discussion on the proposed amendment?

Tom is this your -- have you spoken twice?

TOM TIANICH: I was waiting for my second one, but I have to because I think we want to move on.

So we are trying to come up with

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| 1 | the amendment to the amendment. Because 142 |
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| 2 | the only complaint or concern I say is |
| 3 | FSPL actually. Because it happens to be a |
| 4 | long period of time and the kid might be |
| 5 | actually having to sit out a lot of games. |
| 6 | So could we maybe somehow jiggle |
| 7 | so that it says -- again it's only FSPL -- |
| 8 | the remainder of the competition or next |
| 9 | scheduled FYSA sanctioned match, whichever |
| 10 | comes first, and then unfortunately you |
| 11 | are going to have to repeat if no |
| 12 | competition remains blah, blah, blah. |
| 13 | But I think the only concern, |
| 14 | and I think Marino brought it up, is |
| 15 | somebody has FSPL that's, you know, |
| 16 | playing all year long and your next game |
| 17 | is later, you might have three |
| 18 | tournaments, you might be playing in |
| 19 | another league, and now the kid, because |
| 20 | of the wording -- I know Jim probably was |
| 21 | trying to do the right thing, but because |
| 22 | the way it is written right now, that kid |
| 23 | could really not play -- the kid would |
| 24 | actually be getting double punishment if |
| 25 | he is playing -- kind of shooting himself |

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in the foot. That is why people aren't --
MIKE FLOOD: Are you proposing an amendment?

TOM TIANICH: I am proposing an amendment. Did you get it? Who is typing?

MIKE FLOOD: I mean, no, we did not get it.

TOM TIANICH: Okay. So the amendment I would like to propose is to say -- I am just fixing the red stuff -remainder of the competition --

MIKE FLOOD: Start with where exactly you are.

TOM TIANICH: Number one. MIKE FLOOD: Okay.
TOM TIANICH: Issued during
league play must be worked off during the remainder of the competition or during the next scheduled FYSA sanctioned matches, blah, blah, blah, whichever comes first. And then unfortunately you are going to have to repeat if no more competition remains. It's just written in a way we cannot do it better.

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to Sarah.
    TOM TIANICH: I will go see
Sarah. She will type it up. I have
somebody who will second it.
            SPEAKER: You got it?
            SPEAKER: No.
            SPEAKER: Corrina
    (unintelligible) second.
                            MIKE FLOOD: Give us a moment to
get the actual. We have noted your
second, but give us a second to get the
actual wording up.
Okay. So do we have it up,
Sarah?
            SPEAKER: Yes.
            MIKE FLOOD: Man, I am blind and
cannot read that. Can you read that?
Joel is going to read it for us because
the rest of us are blind.
            Thank you, Sarah.
            So it is now amended to read,
issued during league play must be worked
off during the remainder of the
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    competition or during the next scheduled
    FYSA sanctioned matches, league, cup, or
    tournament games, whichever comes first.
            (Conversations going on amongst
    members.)
            MIKE FLOOD: Yeah, and also we
    can't insert in the black. Marino's is in
    red.
            MARINO TORRENS: It is red.
            MIKE FLOOD: Yeah.
            Sarah updated the red area, but
    we cannot alter the black areas from the
    second column.
            MARINO TORRENS: I am not
    altering. I am altering the red part.
            Sorry, she inserted -- Marino
    Torrens, VP Region A, sorry.
            She inserted it on the black
    part. But if you insert that on the red
    part, which is where it is supposed to be,
    that bottom part says the same thing. If
    there no more compensation, then it will
    be in your next FYSA sanctioned event.
            MIKE FLOOD: So you are
    suggesting we should remove that?
    
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| 1 | MARINO TORRENS: If you add that | 1 | (The results were published on |
| 2 | part to the red where it is supposed to | 2 | the screen.) |
| 3 | be, it basically says the same thing as | 3 | There are 4,033 in favor and 919 |
| 4 | the bottom part, if necessary. | 4 | opposed. The affirmative has it. The |
| 5 | If there is no more competition, | 5 | amendment is adopted and Rule 504.1 is |
| 6 | of course, it says during the next FYSA | 6 | amended. |
| 7 | sanctioned event. Okay? | 7 | The next amendment to be amended |
| 8 | MIKE FLOOD: So can I get a | 8 | is Rule 802 and 802.3, which is on Page 83 |
| 9 | second to Marino's question. | 9 | of your book. And this was submitted by |
| 10 | am sorry, hold on. So even | 10 | Barb Newto |
| 11 | though it is repetitive, it is our | 11 | Is there any discussion on this |
| 12 | understanding that it is necessary to have | 12 | amendment. |
| 13 | that wording in both sections. | 13 | JOE BARRETTA: So, yes. Joe |
| 14 | So now is there any discussion | 14 | Barretta, Titusville Soccer Club |
| 15 | on the proposed amendment to the | 15 | So at the FSR recert yesterday |
| 16 | amendment, which is shown in yellow? | 16 | they presented the new young referee |
| 17 | All right. Hearing no | 17 | program where the youths from 11 to 14 |
| 18 | discussion on the amendment, do I need to | 18 | will not be registered with USSF but will |
| 19 | read the amendment on the amendment before | 19 | be only allowed to referee with the clubs. |
| 20 | beginning again? | 20 | So I am not sure whether they would be |
| 21 | All right. In that case all | 21 | covered under liability under FSR. |
| 22 | voting members in favor of adopting the | 22 | KE FLOOD: Let me refer to |
| 23 | amendment in yellow to the amendment press | 23 | Joel on this |
| 24 | A on your keypad if you are in favor. And | 24 | JoE BARRETTA: So my opinion is |
| 25 | those opposed press B. | 25 | maybe at this point in time we want to |
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|  | You may now vote. | 1 | leave this in until we get that clarified. |
| 2 | Has everyone voted who wishes to | 2 | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DRAGAN: We |
| 3 | do so? | 3 | register them as players even if they are |
| 4 | The polls are closed. | 4 | officiating. And we've worked with our |
| 5 | (The results were published on | 5 | insurance broker and given them proper |
| 6 | the screen.) | 6 | notification. And they have agreed that |
| 7 | There are 3,999 in favor and | 7 | they would be participating in |
| 8 | 1,009 opposed. Therefore, the affirmative | 8 | soccer-related activities, so we would |
| 9 | has it and the amendment to the amendment | 9 | register them as a player extending our |
| 10 | is adopted. | 10 | liability coverage to them despite, at |
| 11 | Now we were back on the full | 11 | that age in particular, they are just |
| 12 | amendment, which is 504.1. Is there any | 12 | doing -- they are refereeing. |
| 13 | ther discussion on the amendment to | 13 | JoE BARRETTA: Okay. So if you |
| 14 | 504.1 itself? | 14 | had somebody who stepped in as a referee |
| 15 | Hearing no discussion, do you | 15 | who was not affiliated, say an adult who |
| 16 | d to have the amendment read before | 16 | lunteered because there was no referee, |
| 17 | voting? | 17 | unless they are registered as a coach they |
| 18 | Seeing no request for reading, | 18 | are not going to be covered? |
| 19 | all voting members in favor of adopting | 19 | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DRAGAN: |
|  | the amendment press A on your keypad. | 20 | Correct |
| 21 | Those opposed press B | 21 | JOE BARRETTA: So what kind of |
| 22 | You may now vote. | 22 | liability do we have for spectators. I am |
| 23 | Has everyone voted who wishes to | 23 | kind of curious about that one. |
| 24 | do so? | 24 | MIKE FLOOD: That is taken |
| 25 | The polls are closed. | 25 | offline. I want to stay on this |

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| 1 | amendment, please. If you have that 150 |
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| 2 | question, you can send it to Joel in an |
| 3 | email later, but this is not an open forum |
| 4 | for debate. We are going to stay in the |
| 5 | amendment as it is. |
| 6 | Is there another point of |
| 7 | clarification or are you good? |
| 8 | JOE BARRETTA: No, I am good. I |
| 9 | just think we need to leave it as is. |
| 10 | SECRETARY MCLAREN: Becky |
| 11 | McLaren, Secretary. |
| 12 | Where he was talking about the |
| 13 | Futures Program, the Futures Program is |
| 14 | for children. So that's why we register |
| 15 | them as a player. It would not be for an |
| 16 | adult to step into that program because |
| 17 | that program is not for them. |
| 18 | MIKE FLOOD: Any further |
| 19 | discussion on this proposed amendment? |
| 20 | Hearing no further discussion, |
| 21 | do you need to have the amendment read |
| 22 | before voting? |
| 23 | Seeing no request for reading, |
| 24 | all voting members in favor of adopting |
| 25 | this amendment press A on your keypad. |

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the screen.)

4,654 in favor and 36 opposed.
The affirmative has it. The
amendment is adopted and Rule 5003.8 is amended.

The next amendment to be amended is Rule 5008.5, which is on Page 89 of your book. And this was also submitted by Tom Tianich.

Is there any discussion on the proposed amendment?

Hearing no discussion, you need to have the amendment read before voting?

Seeing no request for a reading,
all voting members in favor of adopting
the amendment press $A$ on your keypad. And
those opposed press B.
You may now vote.
Has everyone voted who wishes to
do so?
Can we get a countdown there?
Has everyone voted?
Okay. Thank you.
The polls are now closed.
(The results were published on
the screen.)
There are 4,690 in favor and zero opposed. The affirmative has it .the amendment is adopted and Rule 5008.5 is amended.

The next amendment is to amend
Rule C60 through C60.3, which begins on Page 90 of your book. And this was submitted by Jen DiTillio.

Is there any discussion to this proposed amendment?

Hearing no discussion, do you need to have the amendment read again before voting?

Seeing no request for a reading, all voting members in favor of adopting the amendment press A on your keypad. Those opposed press B.

You may now vote.
Has everyone voted who wishes to
do so?
The polls are now closed. (The results were published on the screen.)

It's 4,734 in the affirmative
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and zero in the negative.
The affirmative has it. The amendment is adopted in Rule C60 through C60.3 is amended.

The next rule to be amended is C120 through C120.3, which begins on Page 92 of your book. And this was also submitted by Jen DiTillio.

Is there any discussion on this proposed amendment?

Hearing no discussion, do you need to have the amendment read before voting?

SPEAKER: Yes.
MIKE FLOOD: I am sorry? Do you need to be recognized? Okay.

Seeing no request for a reading, all voting members in favor of adopting the amendment press A on your keypad. And those opposed press B.

You may now vote.
Has everyone voted who wishes to
do so?
The polls are now closed.
(The results were published on

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| 1 | the screen.) |
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| 2 | MIKE FLOOD : 4,734 in favor and |
| 3 | one against. |
| 4 | The affirmative has it. The |
| 5 | amendment is adopted and Rule C120 through |
| 6 | C120.3 are amended. |
| 7 | The next amendment to be amended |
| 8 | is Rule C125 through C125.6, which is on |
| 9 | Page 95 of your book. And was submitted |
| 10 | by Barb Newton. |
| 11 | Is there any discussion on this |
| 12 | proposed amendment? |
| 13 | Hearing no discussion, do you |
| 14 | need to have the amendment read before |
| 15 | voting? |
| 16 | Seeing no request for reading, |
| 17 | all voting members in favor of adopting |
| 18 | the amendment press A on your keypad. |
| 19 | Those opposed press B. |
| 20 | You may now vote. |
| 21 | Has everyone voted who wishes to |
| 22 | do so? |
| 23 | The polls are now closed. |
| 24 | (The results were published on |
| 25 | the screen.) |

4,381 in favor and 394 against. 160
The affirmative has it. The
amendment is adopted and the glossary is
amended.
This concludes all of the
proposed Bylaws and Rules. I would like
to thank the staff in the back for helping
us on the screen getting through this.
And I will hand the chair back
over to our president.
Thank you.
(Applause.)
PRESIDENT VELMER: Is there any
other new business that should be brought
before the assembly at this time?
TREASURER GOLDMAN: I heard that
Marion.
Justin Goldman, Treasurer.
quick. Based on this afternoon's
conversation, we can clearly see that our
Rules and Bylaws have conflicts in them.
to make your motion.
TREASURER GOLDMAN: Yes, I am.

IREASURER GOLDMAN: Yes, I am.
So I make the motion -- I move 161
that the members authorize a revision of
the FYSA Bylaws and Rules to be prepared
and contracted the Parliamentarian at a
cost not to exceed \$15,000 and the
revision be presented at the 2024 AGM.
CRIS WHITTAKER: Cris Whittaker.
I will second that.
PRESIDENT VELMER: Do you want
to speak?
GREASURER GOLDMAN: So Justin
Goldman, Treasurer.
Speaking obviously for this, as
dialogue this afternoon, our Rules and
Bylaws definitely have some conflicts in
it.

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| 1 | Will this motion you are making, you are 162 |
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| 2 | talking about a third-party. Are we going |
| 3 | to include some membership from the Rules |
| 4 | Committee to be involved in this process? |
| 5 | And is this person just going to be a |
| 6 | consultant? Or are they going to be |
| 7 | solely making the decision? |
| 8 | PRESIDENT VELMER: There will be |
| 9 | a committee and the membership will |
| 10 | provide input. |
| 11 | Is there any further discussion? |
| 12 | MIKE FLOoD: Mike Flood, Rules |
| 13 | Committee. |
| 14 | You know, I was the former Vice |
| 15 | President of Administration. I know |
| 16 | firsthand that there has been multiple |
| 17 | efforts to try to do this in house. Our |
| 18 | Rules are broken. I mean, read our Bylaws |
| 19 | and our Rules. They have been -- they are |
| 20 | decades old at this point and have been |
| 21 | amended multiple times and there is tons |
| 22 | of contradictions in them. |
| 23 | It's something that we cannot -- |
| 24 | it's too big of a task to ask volunteers |
| 25 | to do and this needs to be done. And we |

I think it is a good idea. I'm just concerned about putting a dollar figure on somebody to do it, whether it is in house or a third-party who may not have the experience.

PRESIDENT VELMER: There will be a committee. There will be a contractor plus the committee and membership input.

MIKE HYATT: Mike Hyatt, Vice President of Admin and Communication.

Yes, we are going to have a committee of soccer people that know the rules. Because we are talking about we sit here for two or three hours making changes to Rules and Bylaws that were made back in the year Joel was born, 1985.

So, you know, it needs to be done. And I proposed earlier in the year to Joel that we have our Parliamentarian, who is, you know, smarter than any of us put together, be the one -- okay, Jackie, not you.

But to have a Parliamentarian that knows where the "I"s need to be dotted and the "T""s need to be crossed.
need professional help with this. I
strongly urge you to support getting
professional help to clean up our Bylaws.
JOE BARRETTA: Joe Barretta,
Titusville Soccer Club.
I guess this is just a point of
clarification. But this is being made by
the treasurer; is that right? This
motion?

PRESIDENT VELMER: On behalf of the Board.

JOE BARRETTA: Oh, on behalf of the Board. Was it in the budget?

PRESIDENT VELMER: Yes.
JOE BARRETTA: Okay. So we
passed the budget so?
PRESIDENT VELMER: What we want
to put this on the floor is to see if
there is, obviously, support from the membership to do this. That is why it is being put out there for a vote.

CRIS WHITTAKER: I don't
disagree that there is any ambiguity, disambiguity (sic) or whatever you want to call it between Rules and the Bylaws. And

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The soccer people are going to be the ones working with that person to make sure that what we are trying to get across in the changes is what is being done and the Parliamentarian is going to make sure that it is done correctly.

PRESIDENT VELMER: Any further discussion?

MIKE SROKA: Mike Sroka, GCF.
PRESIDENT VELMER: All right.
MIKE SROKA: Will this be an
open and transparent process and not just a stack that's --

PRESIDENT VELMER: Professional and will be open, yes.

MIKE SROKA: And not just a stack of papers that gets dropped the week before the next AGM like last time?

PRESIDENT VELMER: Correct.
They will be transparent.
MIKE SROKA: And membership
input will be considered?
PRESIDENT VELMER: Yes.
MIKE SROKA: So it's all of us
together?

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|  | PRESIDENT VELMER: Yes. Page 166 |  | Page 168 |
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| 1 |  | 1 | And thank you again so very much |
| 2 | MIKE SROKA: All right. Sounds | 2 | for your time and all you do for the game. |
| 3 | good to me. | 3 | Thank you very much. |
| 4 | PRESIDENT VELMER: Any further | 4 | (Applause.) |
| 5 | discussion? | 5 | PRESIDENT VELMER: If there is |
| 6 | IRENA RAMIREZ: Irena Ramirez. | 6 | no further business and no objection, the |
| 7 | PRESIDENT VELMER: Yes. | 7 | Annual General Membership Meeting will be |
| 8 | IRENA RAMIREZ: Who is going to | 8 | adjourned. |
|  | appoint the committee? Is it open for | 9 | Hearing none, the meeting is |
| 10 | anyone to volunteer, be a part of it, or | 10 | adjourned. |
| 11 | you guys are going to appoint this | 11 | (Applause.) |
| 12 | committee that is going to oversee the | 12 |  |
| 13 | Parliamentarian? | 13 | (Whereupon, this concluded this |
| 14 | PRESIDENT VELMER: We will be | 14 | proceeding.) |
| 15 | creating a committee by the Board. | 15 |  |
| 16 | Any further discussion? | 16 |  |
| 17 | We will proceed to vote. All | 17 |  |
| 18 | voting members in favor of adopting the | 18 |  |
| 19 | motion press A on your keypad. And those | 19 |  |
| 20 | opposed press B. | 20 |  |
| 21 | You may now vote. | 21 |  |
| 22 | Has everyone voted who wishes to do so? | 22 |  |
| 23 |  | 23 |  |
| 24 | The polls are closed. | 24 |  |
| 25 | (The results were published on | 25 |  |
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|  |  | 1 | CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER |
| 2 | (Applause.) | 2 |  |
|  | There are 3,722 in the | 3 | I, Deborah L. Waters, Certified Legal Professional, Certified Florida |
| 4 | affirmative and 810 in the negative. The | 4 | Professional Reporter, do hereby certify |
| 5 | affirmative has it and the motion is |  | that I was authorized to and did report |
|  | adopted. |  | the foregoing proceedings, and that Pages 1 through 168 of the transcript are a true |
|  | For the good of the name | 6 | and correct record of my stenographic |
| 8 | Anything else for the good of |  | notes. |
|  | the game? | 7 |  |
| 10 | VP COACH CULLEN: Daragh Cullen, | 8 | Dated this 7th day of December 2023 at Viera, Brevard County, Florida. |
| 11 | FYSA VP Coach and Player Development. | 9 |  |
| 12 | First and foremost, I just want | 10 | Clumat of watess |
| 13 | to say a massive thank you to all of you. | 11 | meran |
| 14 | The majority of us in this room are all |  | DEBORAH L. WATERS, CLP, FPR |
| 15 | volunteers. And you give your time to | 13 | CERTIFIED LEGAL PROFESSIONAL |
| 16 | help the game, the players develop, grow, |  | CERTIFIED FLORIDA PROFESSIONAL REPORTER |
| 17 | and play the game. So a massive thank | 14 15 |  |
| 18 | you. | 16 |  |
| 19 | And I know I am, and the Board, | 17 |  |
| 20 | are so grateful for all you do in your | 18 |  |
| 2 | clubs, your leagues, your regions, | 19 |  |
|  |  | 20 |  |
| 22 | cetera. So thank you again. It was great | 21 |  |
| 23 | to see everybody, but you can hear the | 22 |  |
|  | weather outside so please be safe home | 23 |  |
|  | weather outside so please be safe home | 24 |  |
| 25 | everyone. | 25 |  |

