

BAY AREA YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

April General Meeting

CALL TO ORDER. Thomas Morrow, BAYSA President, called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm on Monday, April 6, 2026, at the Friendswood Chamber of Commerce.

ROLL CALL. Present: Alvin, Galveston County, HTX-South, Santa Fe, South Belt, Soccer Centro, and United Pearland

Also Present: Donald Hood, Executive Vice President; Lindsay Hood, Scorekeeper; Shirley McGraw, Registrar; Thomas Morrow, President; Sayed Naser, Scheduler; Rich Newell, Treasurer; Mark Powell, Tournament/Playoff Director; and Dave Smith, D&P

APPROVAL OF MINUTES. The minutes of the meetings of March 2, 2026 were presented. Dave Smith made a motion to approve these minutes; David Robertson, seconded; vote carried to approve.

OFFICER REPORTS.

President. Thomas Morrow announced that the STYSA spring cup play is underway. For details about the cups, visit the STYSA website at www.stysa.com. The final cup games are scheduled as follows: South Texas Cup on April 25-26 in McAllen; Director's Cup on May 9-10 in Round Rock; President's Cup on May 15-17 in Round Rock; and State Cup on May 23-25 in College Station.

Member clubs will soon receive details from STYSA about the "New Comp" league, which merges the national league and NPL.

The Summer Symposium is scheduled at The Woodlands Marriott from July 31 to August 1. Since it's nearby, everyone is encouraged to attend.

The spring season is progressing smoothly. Thomas is preparing field banners to promote both the Tune Up Tournament and the fall season. There's a lot happening with the World Cup in June. One of the advantages of having the world cup in our area, is that if there is any money left after the games, it will be directed toward initiatives to expand the youth soccer through the Houston Sports Authority.

Registrar. BAYSA registrars held their annual meeting last week. As requested by the registrars, GotSport will be asked to provide a refresher on prebilling and other group functions. Spring player counts will be calculated around April 15 and sent to clubs for verification. In using prebill, club fees to BAYSA are already paid. Shirley McGraw audited club users and identified a few with missing requirements. Last, registration for the 2026/27 season will open May 1.

Secretary. We are in the process of updating the handbook. Shirley McGraw sent clubs an email asking for officer updates.

Treasurer. Rich Newell presented the 2026 budget for review and approval at the general meeting on April 6.

Action: 2026/27 fees will be loaded into GotSport in the next few weeks.

Scorekeeper: Scorekeeping is progressing well.

Scheduler: Games are running smoothly. The main problem deals with forfeits, which disrupt the schedule. Some teams want to reschedule; feedback on teams missing games is welcome week five, we can decide whether to add another weekend so each team plays seven games.

D&P. Dave Smith acknowledged the issue regarding this season's forfeit. If the cause is a GotSport system error and proof of player registration to a team can be provided, the matter will be reviewed. He further observed that it is surprising we continue to encounter blank game cards at this stage in the season. Additionally, there was one instance of inappropriate parental behavior, which is currently being addressed by the club.

Tournament: Tune-up Tournament 2026 documents have been received by STYSA and the website has been updated with rules, information and QR code. Mark Powell has signs on field behavior and will share with SouthBelt for the El Franco Lee site.

Referees. We had many referees on the field last weekend.

OLD BUSINESS

Approval of BAYSA 26/27 Budget and Player/Team Fees. BAYSA membership approved the 26.27 budget and fees. Fees for 26/27 are as follows:

BAYSA FEES AND FINES 2026-27		
Fall 2026		
TOPSoccer/Soccer Across America		\$14.50
Academy		\$14.50
4U-8U		\$14.50
9U-10U		\$14.50
11U-12U		\$50.00
13U-14U		\$50.00
15U-16U		\$50.00
17U-19U		\$50.00
Super 2		\$42.50
Division I		\$42.50
Spring 2027 (new players only)		
TOPSoccer/Soccer Across America		\$11.00
Academy		\$14.00
4U-8U		\$14.00
9U-10U		\$14.00
11U-12U		\$42.50
13U-14U		\$42.50
15U-16U		\$42.50
17U-19U		\$42.50
Super 2		\$42.50
Division I		\$42.50
Summer 2027		
All ages		\$14.00

Team Fees, fall 10 game season, spring 8 game season. Teams will not be scheduled until fees are paid.		
	Fall	Spring
9U-10U	\$455	\$355
11U-12U	\$995	\$780
13U-14U	\$1,070	\$840
15U-16U	\$1,175	\$925
17U-19U	\$1,255	\$985
Referee Pay Scale		
	Center	Asst/4th
9U-10U	\$45	\$26
11U-12U	\$55	\$35
13U-14U	\$60	\$40
15U-16U	\$70	\$45
17U-19U	\$75	\$50

Motion: Motion was made to approve the BAYSA 2026/27 budget by Dave Smith; seconded by Chris Dorsey; motion carried. BAYSA player and team fees were approved by the BAYSA Executive Committee.

BASRA Reorganization. Thomas Morrow reported that Sam Ghalayini is working on reorganizing the Bay Area Soccer Referee Association (BASRA).

BAYSA Website. We are in the process of updating the BAYSA website with new information and photos. When reviewing the website and handbook, we noticed that the handbook needed to be updated to incorporate STYSA rule and policies changes. The following changes have been made.

I.D.2 – Fields

All Member Clubs and the Association must follow STYSA field rules and policies (Rules 6.13, 6.14, 6.16).

II.E.2 – Age of the Youth

2. The age of a youth soccer player shall be determined by the STYSA Age Group Play Formation Cycle.

II.C.3-5 – Player Registration and Team Fees

Member Clubs are required to remit player and team fees to the Association through the official STYSA registration system at the time of submittal and approval into the event.

II. Registration. I – Club Player Pass System

The club player pass system of play for BAYSA Division II, Division III, and Division IV (9U and 10U) levels of play is designed to maximize the development of the player by allowing players to club pass on a temporary basis on a team from the same club in the same age group as player's calendar birth year or a team from the same club in an older age group for both fall and spring play.....

1. 9U – 10U teams – two (2) club pass players per game

XII. FEES, FINES AND PAYMENT DEADLINES (Rev. 4/06/26)

A. Payment of Fees. Member Clubs are required to remit player and team fees to the Association through the official STYSA registration system at the time of submittal and approval into the event. Teams will not be scheduled in until fees are paid. (Rev. 4/06/26)

B. Fines

1. Unapproved absence from any mandatory meeting (Constitution IV.I. Good Standing)
 - Fall and spring workshops
 - Other meetings as published
 - Each Member Club is granted two missed meetings per year
2. Missing, lost, or late game report score cards.
3. Payments more than 60 days past due are assessed 5% of the amount past due per month (Constitution IV.H – Voting Rights).
4. A no show team who does not give appropriate communication will be fined \$50 and for same season repeaters, fine will be doubled, e.g., \$50, \$100, \$200 (Rev. 7/29/23)

C. Fee Schedules

1. BAYSA will publish a fee schedule at the March general meeting for the following seasonal year (Fall-Spring).
2. The current fee schedule is included as an appendix to the BAYSA Handbook.

BAYSA Annual Election. The BAYSA election was held at tonight's meeting. The nomination slate was set at the March 2 meeting as follows: Donald Hood (executive vice president), Sandra Armenta (secretary), Lindsay Hood (scorekeeper), and Sayed Naser (scheduler).

Motion: Motion was made to accept the nomination slate by acclamation by David Smith; seconded by Danielle Patterson; motion carried.

Coaching Development Position. The executive committee would like to reestablish an appointed coaching development position. This person would serve as the main contact for BAYSA coaches. Responsibilities may include sharing educational opportunities and managing content in the website's coaches' corner among other things. It was suggested that BAYSA might consider providing a stipend for the position.

Golf Cart. We have new golf cart thanks to Dave Smith for locating. Our old cart is for sale, if anyone is interested.

NEXT MEETINGS.

May General Meeting

Topic: BAYSA May General Meeting

Time: May 4, 2026 08:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86397980308?pwd=47alXZ2hi4wxDgYjGSCdq2sxqvlb9t.1>

Meeting ID: 863 9798 0308

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ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Submitted by:

Shirley McGraw

BAYSA Registrar