

- **Call to Order**

- Virtual Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM

- **BOD**

- **Present:** Eric, Scott, Joe Z, Erick; **Absent:** Joe F, Kevin, Chrissy, Iain, John, Tom

- **Clubs**

- **SE Clubs:** Canterbury (Tiffany), Colchester (Rob), East Haddam (Laura, Kelly, Korey, Star), East Lyme (Andrew, Eric, Scott), Griswold (Ed), Groton (Amy, Rich, Matt), HK (Derek), Lebanon (David), Ledyard (Stephanie), LOLSC (Hayden, Matt), Montville (Jessica, Jason, Evan), New London (Dena), Norwich (Karen), Norwich PAL (John), Old Saybrook (Martin), RHAM (Joe, Mauren), Stonington (Rich), Valley (Gerald, Tim, Matt), Waterford (Jen, Chris, Peter), Westbrook (Rich),
- **Absent:** DOCA, Southeast, CWSA, Plainfield,

- **Minutes**

- November 2025 Minutes were approved Motion by Rich and Second by Karen, Motion passes.

- **District Report**

- Starting with the 2026-2027 season, registration will be based on school grade (8/1 to 7/31 year) and no longer birth year.
- Stack sports merged with PlayMetrics and we are looking into migrating to PlayMetrics. CJSA will be using PlayMetrics starting the 2026-2027 seasonal year.
- Clubs are strongly recommended to transition to the PlayMetrics system for fall registration due to difficulties registering new players that must be uploaded.
- SafeSport: SafeSport must be completed by all coaches, club administrators, Boards members, or any volunteer who interacts with players. Clubs must reinforce this and ensure that everyone completes SafeSport prior to the start of the season (SafeSport must be completed annually). You may view in Stack who has and has not completed SafeSport.
- CJSA is hosting a free after school soccer program at the Barnum School in Groton, starting on 4/23, from 3:30-4:45pm. The Barnum School has a lot of military families who work at the sub base. We had a ton of interest and now have over 50 kids signed up! We are looking to add a few more coaches. We can pay between \$50-\$75 per session, based on experience level of the coach. If you have anyone in mind that could be interested, please let Andy Parker know at grassroots@cjsa.org.

- **Doc Report**

- The Southeast District will provide a full refund for any Southeast coach that takes the US Soccer Grassroots Coaching Certificate. Coaches may be reimbursed directly by SECJSA, or via their Club who will be reimbursed by SECJSA. A completed course certificate must be shared in order to be reimbursed. SECJSA will pay up to \$500 for a D or C license. We do not reimburse for an A or B license as this is moving past a recreational coaching level.

- **League Report**

- Spring League

- All coaches will be required to wear a coaches pass on a lanyard around their neck during a match. You can only have 3 coaches on the sidelines for any League match.
- It was clarified that high school students are ineligible for the U15 league, regardless of age.
- Norwich Youth has no home fields. All games will be played away. Norwich will pay the referees for any home game listed on the schedules.
- Spring sign ups were held at this meeting
 - 103 Boys Teams
 - 63 Girls Teams

- **Referee Report**

- Referee Abuse – Do not confront the referee. If you feel there was a problem with the referee, please report this to our DRA Erick Holmes erick.m.holmes@outlook.com

- **Important Dates**

- SECJSA Virtual Coaches meeting Wednesday April 22nd 8 PM
- SECJSA Virtual District Meeting Wednesday June 10th at 7 PM

- **Adjournment**

- Adjourn at 8:14 PM