



PA Soccer Coaches' Association Annual Business Meeting –

January 30, 2026, Penn Harris Hotel, Harrisburg PA

Meeting Minutes

Gerry Lynch-President

Scott Bonagura-1st Vice President/COY
Kate Schkolenko -2ndVP/All State Girls.
Mike Lorback- Recording Secretary/Boys Poll
Randy Behney-Treasurer
Robert Black-Past President
Tom Rowan- Past President
Paul Sotak-All State Boys
Dave Hartlaub- Awards Chair/League Rep
Chris Zalasky- Berks Co. Rep/ ACOY
Tim Fick-PIAA Liaison
Jared Latchford-East Penn Boys Coach
John Cari – Emmaus Boys Coach

Dan Hogan- Girls Poll/League Rep
Patrick Birns- Statistics
Glen Hibshman-Boys Poll
Abe Stauffer-Awards Co-Chair
Roger Bernecker-Banquet Program
Stacy Miller – Membership Secretary
Tony Cavallaro- Executive Secretary
Stephanie Cavallaro- Webmaster
Julie Chiocco-Erie County Rep
Chris Jones-CD Girls Coach
Sonny Vidakovic-Fairview Boys Coach

1. Welcome and Introductions- Gerry Lynch

2. Minutes- After review, Randy Behney made a motion to approve the minutes from the 2026 general membership meeting. The motion was seconded by Dan Hogan and carried unanimously. Upon review Scott Bonagura made a motion to approve the minutes from the 2025 summer meeting, the motion was seconded by Tim Fick and carried unanimously.

3. Committee Reports

- a) Presidents Report- Gerry stated that what he had to report would be brought up under new business.
- b) Treasurers Report-Randy Behney provided a brief explanation of the association's income and expenses for the year. how funds were spent over the past year. Randy then explained the specifics on the interest rate related to the PSCA's CD. The group agreed unanimously to allow Randy to move the CD according to the best interest rate. Stephanie Cavallaro made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report, the motion was seconded by Abe Stauffer and carried unanimously.
- c) Budget Report- Randy reviewed the budget. The 70%/30% stipend split between the Membership Secretary and Executive Secretary was discussed. Tony made a motion to have the full stipend go to the Membership Secretary starting in 2027. This is based on

the amount of work involved in that role. Katy Schkolenko seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Scott motioned to approve the budget report. It was seconded by Bob Black and carried unanimously.

- d) Banquet- Randy went over the attendance numbers for this year's banquet (455) and mentioned that we will meet Saturday morning between 8:30 and 9:00 to review and prep for the banquet. Randy also stated that the banquet price along with the loss in sponsorship dollars over the last few years is resulting in a greater financial loss for the association. Some initial discussion began relative to addressing the issue and will continue at the summer meeting. *
- e) Membership- Tony Cavallaro stated that the total membership numbers were estimated at 850. Tony also stated that Stacy Miller has done an excellent job in taking over the Membership Secretary role. Tony and Stacy reported that there was some confusion with the InterAc League and sending membership dues to the SEPA coaches association and the PSCA. This will be addressed by Tony in the fall newsletter. Bob made a motion to approve the membership report, it was seconded by Tom Rowan and carried unanimously.
- f) Sponsorship- Tony reports that we have no new sponsors and that Select remains committed. They sent 2 new banners and will provide some shirts for the board and Chairs.
- g) Website- Stephanie provided information on Wix/Website costs. She suggested that the association lock in for a 2-year discounted plan. The group agreed unanimously.
- h) Statistics- Patrick Birns reports that the new format has simplified things for reporting stats and reports that John Cari from Emmaus has volunteered to take over the role of record keeper.
- i) All State/All American Boys- Paul Sotak reported that 66 boys earned All-State honors, 10 earned Regional All American and 3 earned All American honors. Girls- Katie Schkolenko reported that 60 girls earned All-State honors, 6 earned Regional All American and 2 earned All American honors. The chairs expressed concern on slightly lower numbers as a result of lower USC membership.
- j) Coach of the Year-Scott Bonagura provided some background on USC and why our numbers are down. He reported that many of our PA coaches that coach both club and high school are checking the box for club but not the high school box. Scott will continue to work with the USC on resolving this issue. Scott noted that 2 of our PA coaches of the year were also named regional COY's.
- k) ACOY- Chris Zalasky revisited having the PSCA select 2 ACOY coaches. One from the Boys side and one from the Girls side. The group agreed unanimously. In order to increase the number of nominations for these awards the association will attempt to make the membership more aware of these awards and try to simplify the process.
- l) PIAA Liaison- Tim Fick reported that the PIAA voted to do away with overtime for regular season games. The PIAA championships to High Mark Stadium in Pittsburgh for the next four years. Tim also stated that Mark Byers from the PIAA is open to discussion about changing the current system of officiating. Tim will suggest another meeting to push for the change.
- m) Hall of Fame/Honor Award/Service Award- Dave Hartlaub briefly reviewed this year's award winners. Dave also added that past PSCA President and All State Chair Keith Nagley is this year's Honor Award winner. A discussion of criteria for the Honor Award

ensued. The question was should we limit candidates to only those that have actively contributed to the PSCA. Discussion will continue at the summer meeting. * Abe made a motion that the PSCA board be added to the voting committee for the Service Award, HOF and Honor Award. The motion was seconded by John Cary and carried unanimously.

- n) Soccer Polls- Dan Hogan reported that one of the major sources of information for the WPIAL as it relates to the Poll, the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette is shutting down. Some members of the group said they would work on talking to their contacts from the WPIAL to help with information from the district.
- o) Program Advertising- Roger Bernecker reported that significant increases in ad sales occurred from year one to year two. His work was recognized by the group and he thanked Randy and the all state committee chairs for their help with this year's ads.

4. **Old Business**

The issue of adding the second ACOY award was decided upon during the ACOY committee report.

5. **New Business**

Nominations for Executive Secretary- Bob Black nominated Patrick Birns (Patrick accepted the nomination) for the position and it was seconded by Tom Rowan and carried unanimously.

Nominations for Treasurer- Randy Behney nominated Tim Fick (Tim accepted the nomination) for the position it was seconded by Dave Hartlaub and carried unanimously.

Nominations for Recording Secretary- Glen Hibshman nominated Dave Hartlaub (Dave accepted the nomination) for the position and it was seconded by Tim Fick and carried unanimously.

Nominations for Boys Poll- Mike Lorback nominated John Cary as Chair and Jared Latchford as co-chair for the positions (John and Jared accepted) and it was seconded by Tony Cavallaro and carried unanimously.

The position of Banquet Master of Ceremonies previously held by Mike Lorback will not be filled. The President will do introductions and then the committee chairs will introduce each other for seamless transitions through the banquet program.

Summer Meeting Date and Venue-Randy Behney agreed to continue to host the summer meeting at his home. This summer's meeting will be June 27th with lunch at 11:30 and meeting to follow.

Fund Raising- Randy proposed a Golf fundraiser (for 2027). Randy will research further with more discussion to take place at the summer meeting. *

Future Conventions-2027 Kansas City MO, 2028 Baltimore MD, 2029 Anaheim CA

6. **Open Discussion**

The group discussed the cost benefit of continuing to hold a General Membership Meeting and Social at the United Soccer Coaches Convention. The group agreed that the dwindling attendance of the membership at these events indicates a need for change. The association will investigate alternatives for the General Membership Meeting and the Social. This will be discussed further at the Summer Meeting. *

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Submitted by
Mike Lorback
Recording Secretary

- Asterisk denotes items that will be discussed further at the summer meeting.