

- **Call to Order**

- Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

- **BOD**

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

- **Clubs**

- **SE Clubs:** Colchester (Rob), East Haddam (Laura), East Lyme (Eric), Griswold (Ed), Groton (Rich), Ledyard (Andera), LOLSC (Hayden, Matt), Montville (Evan, Jason), New London (Clarre, Dena), Norwich (Karen, Jason), Norwich PAL (John), Old Saybrook (Martin), Stonington (Alaina), Valley (Gerald), Waterford (Jen, Kimberly), Westbrook (Neilo),
- **NE Clubs:** Canterbury (Joe, Tiffany), Lebanon (Dave), Plainfield (Tiffany), RHAM (Joe)
- **Absent:** DOCA, HK, Southeast, CWSA

- **Minutes**

- June Minutes were not approved and will be approved at the November meeting

- **District Report**

- Joe noted that starting with the 2026-2027 season, registration will be based on school grade (8/1 to 7/31 year) and no longer birth year.
- Several town owes fees to CJSA. Joe will follow up as needed and please remit payment to CJSA. Payment may be made online, Checks should be mailed to CJSA, not to Joe/SECJSA. Email will be sent to clubs that still have a balance.
- 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.
- 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 for the 2024-2025 season.
- SECJSA is again offering tickets for the Hartford Athletics match on Saturday, September 20, 2025 with a 7 PM kickoff to all player, coaches and admins. Register at <https://forms.gle/7oh8hCRjEv9ommG9A>

- **Doc Report**

- Coaches Clinic
 - October 2 - December 5: US Soccer D License – Middletown, CT
 - January 5 - June 19: US Soccer B License – Farmington, CT
 - Go here to register: <https://www.cjsa.org/coaching/>

- **League Report**

- Fall League

- For the fall season we will offer two divisions for U9 Comp and Rec.
 - Joe shared that several towns have asked if the U15 Girls division could play 9v9 to encouraged greater participation. Those town with teams or teams likely to be entered-- Valley, RHAM, Lebanon, East Lyme, and Old Saybrook--would prefer to play 9v9.
 - Clubs are asked to review the large number of teams entered in the Silver division and to consider entering a team in Gold instead.
 - 204 teams were entered into the fall league.

- **Referee Report**

- Erick Holmes (DRA) provided updates on the fall season, noting that youth referees (those under 18) will wear a green badge. Erick and Clubs discussed a desire to set uniform referee pay so that all towns have an equal opportunity to secure referees as many refs choose towns with the best pay and timely receipt of payment.
 - 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 Fall Coaches Meeting by conference call will be August 28th.
 - SECJSA District Meeting November 12, 2025 by conference call.

- **Adjournment**

- Adjourn at 8:30 PM