

# OHTSL General Meeting: Spring 2024

17 March 2024 / 4:15PM / Winking Lizard - Bedford Heights

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## 1. Call to Order & Community Check-In: (Dawn Read/Joey Record)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Akron Inner City  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Firelands        | <input type="checkbox"/> Oberlin                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amherst           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geauga Fed SC    | <input type="checkbox"/> Olmsted Falls                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ashland           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geneva           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Orange            |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aurora NP         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Highland         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Perry (Lake)      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Avon              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hudson           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Perry (Stark)     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Avon Lake         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independence     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Port Clinton      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barberton         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackson          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ravenna (new)     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bay Village       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kenston          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revere            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brecksville       | <input type="checkbox"/> Kent                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Riverside         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Broadview Heights | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LaGrange         | <input type="checkbox"/> Rocky River                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brooklyn Heights             | <input type="checkbox"/> Lake Select SC              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rootstown         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brunswick                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lakewood         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sandusky          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buckeye           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Louisville       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shaker Heights    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canfield                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Madison          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solon Lightning   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cardinal          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Manchester       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solon Soccer Club |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chagrin Falls     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Massillon (new)  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stow              |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cloverleaf        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medina           | <input type="checkbox"/> Strongsville                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copley                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Mentor                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tallmadge         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coventry/PLX      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Midview          | <input type="checkbox"/> TUSA                         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cuyahoga Falls    | <input type="checkbox"/> Mustangs Jr                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Twinsburg         |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dover             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nardon           | <input type="checkbox"/> Wadsworth                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eagle Select      | <input type="checkbox"/> North Canton (NCSC)         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WASA              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eastlake                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> North Olmsted    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> West Geauga       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eastside Kickers  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> North Ridgeville | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Westlake          |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Euclid                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Northwest                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Willoughby        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fairview Park     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Norton           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Woodridge         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Field             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Norwalk HCYS     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wooster           |

## 1. Soccer Village:

- Tom Frisbee will provide some information on [Soccer Village](#)

## 2. President's Report: (Chris)

- 2024 Board Elections
  - Introduce Dave who took a vacant board position from the fall
  - Three positions are up for election
  - 2-3 board members seeking another term
  - Emails will go out to all the communities, if anyone wants to talk about it feel free to come talk to me after the meeting
- Fees:
  - Player pass rates will increase by \$2 per pass for the fall 2024 to spring 2025 season.

### 3. General Info/Technology Update: (Joey)

- [Community Maintenance](#) - Please ensure your community contacts & fields are updated/accurate, including the newly added fields for Treasure & DOC contact
- [Location Maintenance](#) - Please ensure your locations & fields are updated & active BEFORE game scheduling on 3/20.
- [Team Codes](#) - Community Reps are now able to edit their teams codes by accessing League->Edit Team Code. Select the CB next to the team you wish to edit, edit the 4 digit team code & select "Update".
- [Field Black Out Dates](#) - Community Reps may enter black out dates per field. Select your field (or select All Fields), select the date and click "Add". To remove a date select the date and click "Delete"
  - *No team black out dates*
- [Neutral Site Payment Request Form](#) - has be updated from a paper form to google form
- [Game Score Reporting](#) - game scores are required to be reported by both teams within 24 hours of the game. To mitigate some issues with some coaches not entering scores by the deadline there will be an email notification sent to the coach 48 hours post game if a score has not been entered and then at 72 hours the game score entry will be locked and results will be defaulted to the score entered by the opposing team or 0-0 if neither team enters scores. For issues with game scores contact [admin@ohtsl.com](mailto:admin@ohtsl.com)

### 4. Policy/Procedure Updates: (Chris)

- Effective immediately/Spring 2024:
  - [Game Check-in Non-Compliance](#) - must be filled out within 24 hours of the game
  - Game Change Policy Update: ([Procedures ->Game Scheduling Information](#))
    - Update the game change policy from 7 days to 5 days in the game change system.
    - Eliminate the manual email process for requests made 3-5 days prior
    - If less than 5 days no game change will be accepted, if the game is unable to be played on the original date/time then the team that is not available will forfeit the game (score of 0-5 loss) and will be required to pay the referee (TBD base on game size - see ref fees on website) and the ref assignor fees (\$10). There will no longer be a \$100 forfeit fee.
      - Exceptions: game canceled due to weather related field closure or school sports events rescheduled (may require proof school reschedule) within the 5 days.
      - Each team can only initiate 3 game changes after the schedule has been posted.
  - Neutral Game Site Locations Requests (*minor change in the order of steps & contact*)
    - During the "Preliminary Game Scheduling" process a Community Rep contacts [admin@ohtsl.com](mailto:admin@ohtsl.com) to request a neutral site location.
    - OHTSL Administrator will identify a neutral site location, update the game scheduling system with the new location and notify both Community Reps.
    - Both reps work together to agree on a game date/time (using the game change scheduling system).
    - OHTSL will compensate the community hosting the Neutral Site game (\$35.00).
    - The home team still pays the referee fee.
- Just FYI.... Effective Fall 2024:

- **Bracketing** - any community with multiple teams exceeding the OHTSL max size roster in the same age bracket must play in consecutive divisions (not D1 & D3) teams, must be D1 & D2 or D2 & D3 if the roster exceeds the roster max).
- **Guest Player/Double Rostering** - no player is permitted to play lower than 2 divisions below their highest rostered division within the players age bracket (ie. if a player is rostered D1 they may not play in D4 or lower). The penalty if a player is caught playing more than 2 divisions lower is forfeit of the game & 4 game suspension for every coach registered to the team.
- **Out of Community Players** - removal of the exception regarding communities who do not have age appropriate teams. All out of community players will count in the 3 player limit. Any team found out of compliance with the three player rule will not be eligible for trophy reimbursement.

**5. Treasurer Report: (Howard)**

- Financial/Budget report
- Accounts receivable - current team fees due
- Please keep in mind that teams will not receive division reimbursement if the club fees are past due
- Please set up a permanent email address for your treasures that can be transferred from one treasurer to the next (vs using a personal email address)

**6. Scholarships: (Chris)**

- Deadline is 3/28, information on website: [2024 OHTSL Scholarships](#)

**7. Admin Report: (Becky)**

- Registration update - [Got Sport Player/Coach Registration](#)
- Spring season updates - game scores, [game scheduling & game changes](#), field locations

**8. Coaches Education: (Marcie)**

- Update on upcoming events & coaching education opportunities - [Link to upcoming courses](#)
- Reminder.... [OHTSL Coach Education Reimbursement](#)
- Leadership Council - information on OHTSL.com home page
- Community of Coaches - information on OHTSL.com home page
- Club changes in structure or coach/player development

**9. Referee/Ref Assigning: (Frank)**

- Referee shortage... encourage people to take referee courses today!
- There is a new ref assignor system being utilized this spring and it is critical that field names are entered correctly on the OHTSL website. If your fields are not accurate you will have refer issues.

**10. Spring Season Waivers: (Dawn)**

- Due by 4/7/24 - if waivers are not submitted games will be suspend
- Concussion in Sports: [Information Sheet](#), [NFHS Training Link](#), [Return to Play Information](#)
  - *please be aware legislation requires medical clearance signed by a healthcare professional*
- Lindsays Law: [ODH Information Link](#), & [Player/Parent Waiver](#)

**11. Ohio Travel Cup & All Star Game: (Dawn)**

- All Star Game: 5/11 - information will be sent to U14 & U15 coaches to nominate 8th grade players
- Ohio Travel Cup: Dates: 10/5 - 10/6, same locations as 2023, fees: \$450 (U09-U10), \$410 to \$475 (U011-U12) and \$460 to \$495 (U13-U15)
- Rec Soccer - information on the home page of [ohtsl.com](#) or contact [events@ohtsl.com](mailto:events@ohtsl.com)

**12. High School League: (Chris)**

- Spring season: Same OHTSL date - 6 games
- Spring Registration Information:
  - Team declarations closed with 12 boys teams 9 girls teams

- Using OHTSL Website and features instead of Gotsport

**13. Next Meeting:** 7/21/24

**14. Meeting Adjournment**