



Meeting Minutes

Meeting name NAF Committee Meeting	Subject November 2023 Committee Meeting	Attendees Gaixo, President Rabid_Bogscum, Vice President Geggster, Treasurer Stimme, Tournament Director Megamind, League Director Twyllenimor, Membership Director
Meeting date November 26, 2023	Time 10:00 -11:47 AM EDT	
Location WhatsApp Video Call	Prepared by Megamind	

Purpose

The purpose of this meeting was to gather the committee to discuss ongoing and upcoming NAF agenda items.

Treasury Update

- All NAF accounts are in good standing.
- Account reports for 2022 have been reviewed and approved by the Committee for distribution. **Rapid_Bogscum will post the Account report to the NAF website.**
- Currently the NAF accounts have approximately \$40,000 USD as estimated in November 2023. Once the Amorical Cup loan is repaid the accounts will be near \$48,000 USD.
- **Geggster will finalize and distribute draft Account reports for 2023 by end January 2024.**

Membership Gift Distribution

- Gifts are getting to members in a relatively timely fashion with a heavy reduction of “Where is my gift?” complaints. The reduced availability of previous gifts and addition of 2-year renewal option have reduced inventory issues and shipping volume. The 2-year renewal is being selected approximately 10% of the time in lieu of receiving a gift.
- There is no immediate need to increase membership cost, but a rise in shipping costs may eventually require it. For the moment, the changes in registration options are offsetting the increases. While the accounts are healthy and can withstand this ongoing loss, an increase in membership pricing may be required in 2024 to maintain long-term financial integrity.
- The committee discussed the annual gift for 2024 and has settled on a design idea. **Stimme and Twyllenimor will contract manufacturers to begin the process and lead the design.**
- The second wave of gifts should arrive in 2 weeks. **Twyllenimor will distribute Wave 2 gifts to NCs. Additionally, he will follow up with NCs to plan for 2024’s expected quantities.**

Code of Conduct/Board of Ethics

- The Committee is seeing an increase in code of conduct complaints and actions by members and volunteers which do not represent NAF values and ethics.
- The NAF discord server requires a Code of Conduct/Rules page, so members are aware of how to conduct themselves inside the group. Additional NAF Staff may be identified to provide discord moderation. **Megamind and Stimme will work together to improve discord moderation including requiring members to consent to a standard Code of Conduct before using the server for discussions.**
- Due to the increase in complaints the committee has agreed that a subcommittee will be established to act as the NAF Board of Ethics. **Megamind will compose a list of role responsibilities and requirements and call for volunteers to serve on the board via social media distribution and the NAF forum.** The main role of members will be to



revisit/rewrite the NAF Code of Conduct, look for opportunities to improve the NAF inclusion and non-discrimination values specifically with minority and female gamers, and be consulted when complaints come up regarding appropriate response for disciplinary actions.

NAF Trophies/Shields

- Currently, NAF Shield Trophies are awarded for Blood Bowl (BB2020), Specialist, and Classic Blood Bowl events that meet the minimum criteria. Due to the prestigious nature of this award only Blood Bowl (BB2020) will be eligible for a trophy and Specialist and Classic will be removed. Variants such as 7s, Street, Gutter Bowl, etc. continue to not be eligible for award. **Stimme will update the 2024 sanctioning document to reflect the new type eligibility.**
- The NAF currently has approximately 900 trophies in stock for distribution and a reorder is not necessary currently.
- Files for digital printing of the trophies will not be distributed to staff or individual members. This will allow the NAF to control distribution and quality and maintain a relationship with the current manufacturer.

Skill Ban

- The NAF still doesn't allow skill bans or modifications of core rules. This includes any bans of skill combinations, such as Dirty Player/Sneaky Git or Block/Dodge. If a TO wants to deter the use of such combinations, it will need to be done in other ways such as disallowing stacking of skills altogether or for certain tiers. If the complaint is with an inherent flaw in the rules, then those issues should be directed towards Games Workshop, as they remain the owner and author of Blood Bowl rules.

NAF Review

- Prior to the meeting the summary of the NAF Review was distributed for the review of the Committee.
- The request for a subcommittee focusing on ethics and inclusion was suggested during the NAF review. The Committee has agreed to this and its discussion is summarized in the Code of Conduct/Board of Ethics section above.
- There was a request to establish a Non-NAF Coach ID to track matches between/against non-NAF coaches. At this time the Committee determined that it would complicate the database from a ranking perspective and is also probably not technical possible at this time. Members of the NAF, including TOs, should review the benefits of joining the NAF if unfamiliar and encourage non-members to sign up for a NAF account if record-tracking is a concern. Alternatively, requiring participants to be a NAF coach to participate is allowed by sanctioning and may be something that can be utilized by TOs who want all games counted toward attendee's records.
- There are no major revisions proposed for the NAF Rules for Tournaments 2024 document, aside from requiring the use of the latest GW Vampire roster for tournaments. The Teams of Legend vampire roster will only be playable within the Classic variant after December 31· 2023.
- The committee will await the GW November 2023 Designer Commentary before finalizing and publishing the rules for 2024.

Tournament Series Badges

- NAF coach Cornish won the design contest for Tournament Series Badges and these have been put into production.
- Megamind ordered approximately a 4 year supply of badges, to be delivered to the TSC. Arrival of badges will be in approximately 2 weeks and at that time distribution to TSOs for delivery to 2023 series winners.

President/Treasurer Elections

- Elections will occur in January and February 2024. **Rabid_Bogscum will coordinate with Megamind to announce important dates for nominations, Q&A, and elections throughout the NAF social media accounts.**



NAF OBBLM

- **Megamind will continue to work with the developers to get improvements including random skills.**
- **Megamind will also call for feedback and improvements by OBBLM users that may add functionality and provide a better user experience. One mentioned request was for automated updates via discord webhooks when match data is entered.**

Nationals Update

- **Stimme will provide a list of National selections within the Tournament Director Blog and post to the website.**
- USA and Canada have both requested a National in addition to the existing Majors, but at this time the Committee believes that the Chaos Cup, Spike, and Amorical Cup provide coaches with similar opportunities to that of other countries. No expansion of the National/Majors program is anticipated.

Action Items

- **Bolded in the above Meeting Minute text.**

Next Meeting

- Anticipated in 6 weeks for another update meeting on or near January 21, 2024.