

# **Meeting Minutes**

Meeting name

NAF Committee Meeting

Meeting date

August 6, 2024

Location

WhatsApp Video Call

Subject

August 2024 Committee Meeting

Time

1:00 PM EDT/19:00 CET

Prepared by

Megamind

**Attendees** 

Shirokov, President Dreamscreator, Vice President Ulvardar, Treasurer Stimme, Tournament Director Megamind, League Director

Twyllenimor, Membership Director Volkajo, Ethics Committee Member

# **Purpose**

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

### **Board of Ethics Case Update**

- An appeal request on a previous BoE ruling has been initiated and was discussed during the meeting. Exact details of
  each case have been removed from these minutes to maintain coach privacy.
- BoE will draft a response to the appeal and amend the Code of Conduct appropriately to reflect the concern.

#### **BoE Guidelines for NAF Charter**

- The NAF Charter needs a significant update to properly cover structure and decision making required for our current membership size when compared to the needs of the Charter developed in 2015. As a result, the NAF Charter requires updates to cover conditions that we would like to see be re-written and or updated to best serve our members as our organization grows. Volkajo will work with the BoE to develop a draft NAF Charter for NAF Committee review which can ultimately be put to membership vote for majority vote and implementation.
- Board of Ethics members and NAF Committee members will coordinate a meeting to discuss the Charter modifications.

# **Upcoming "BoE Suggests" Topic (Coach Exclusion)**

Due to the increased number of incoming cases regarding coach exclusion or refusal to play an individual coach. The
Ethics Committee's first topic will be Player Exclusion in the "Board of Ethics suggests..." series that will take place
within the next Tournament Director Blog. Volkajo will coordinate with Stimme to get the next "Board of Ethics
suggests..." topic included in the upcoming TD Blog.

#### **Invitational Tournaments**

- Invitational tournaments have generated numerous new cases for the Board of Ethics and will be a focus of the Board in the coming months.
- As per official approval guidelines, the NAF currently maintains the requirement that closed invitational tournaments are
  not allowed for sanctioning unless there is an open tournament available to happen in parallel. The sanctioning and
  appropriate format of invitational tournaments will continue to be decided on a case-by-case basis.

# **NAF Shop**

 Discussions were made regarding re-opening the NAF Shop, however there are concerns with the current non-profit status of the NAF and if that would be allowed. A review of the risks involved to the organization would need to be completed before the NAF Committee would feel comfortable with a NAF run official shop.



- Discussions were also made that the best likely path forward would be that this "official" shop could be in the hands of
  another private business which would be responsible for paying any required fees or taxes due to sales from the NAF
  logo branded merchandise.
- Currently, it remains that only small-scale personal production of NAF branded merchandise is allowed for noncommercial, local use.
- If a business is interested in selling NAF branded merchandise, then they should contact Megamind
   (megamind@thenaf.net) to discuss. The NAF may consider selling the rights to use the NAF logo commercially in
   exchange for some negotiated percentage of the sales from the business or a large donation to the NAF for a yearly or
   monthly license.

## **NAF Rings**

A coach approached the NAF about manufacturing NAF Tournament Champion style rings for Tournament winners. It
was decided that manufacturing these are ok for small-scale personal production use but at this time the NAF is not
interested in a large production of NAF rings.

#### **Best Painted Model Guidelines**

- Due to complaints received from coaches the BoE will add a "Board of Ethics suggests...." for recommended guidelines for "Best Painted" awards and assigning painting scores in an upcoming TD Blog.
- It is recommended by the NAF that there are clear, well-written rules in tournament rulebook and if available photo examples of what is satisfactory if painting scores are to be used in tournament scoring.

#### Site Donation Button

A few members have asked about donating outside of renewal time. To make it easier for our members to donate,
 Stimme will develop a site donation button to put on the website for coach use.

# **Squad Trophies: Qualification and Fee**

- The Committee investigated the number of squad tournaments a year and estimated that approximately 300 squad tournament trophies would be necessary to fulfil the need.
- Due to the increased cost of these trophies, we suggest a donation of 3 to 5 USD/EUR/GBP per trophy to offset the
  expenses, either to NAF coordinators, or directly through the website donation function at www.thenaf.net.
- Ulvadar will deliver the required squad trophies to EuroBowl.
- As a reminder, the minimal requirements for receiving squad trophies:

Squad size	Minimum number of NAF Members	
	3 games	4 or more games
2	48	24
3	72	36
4	96	48
5	120	60
6	144	72
7	168	84
8	192	96



### **Digital Patch Project**

The Digital Patch Project is on-going. The first planned patch release will be in or before October and will be announced
via social media/TD Blogs. Dreamscreator has been completing the artwork for the project. Megamind will coordinate
with Dreamscreator/Stimme for posting the release of the first patch.

#### **NAF Gift Discussion**

- The NAF Committee discussed the idea for the upcoming 2025 gift. Stimme will lead the project design and provide
  mock ups of the planned gift in the next few months. The NAF committee discussed potential design options and
  their pros/cons.
- Twyllenimor has received the excess dice to match up with the 2023 tokens/coins.

### **Website Quote Requirements**

• List of requirements for the website have been requested by potential quote suppliers. Stimme will take the lead to talk with interested parties directly on the website core needs and wants. This conversation was tabled until a later time due to time.

### **NAF Booth (EuroBowl)**

- The NAF will have a booth at EuroBowl. Ulvardar will organize a banner for the NAF booth at EuroBowl.
- NAF committee members will rotate the attendance at the booth to take photographs with coaches, sign autographs, answer member questions, or more than likely just provide coach sign ups and renewals.

#### **Initiation of Annual Review Process**

 NAF Representatives are going to get a reminder of the opening of the NAF Annual Review process that will begin in September/October. Stimme will take the lead on the review process and alerting the representatives to the forum to be used for discussion.

# **NAF OBBLM Update**

- Only a small amount of traffic was occurring from the old LRB/BB2016 NAF hosted OBBLM website since the release of BB2020. Megamind has confirmed that it appears no active leagues are presently using the NAF hosted site. Thus, for this reason and to reduce the NAF operating costs the website is no longer going to be supported or renewed and has been shut down.
- Currently, random skills integration is in testing in a privately run league and if successful will be available in September/October on the NAF hosted OBBLM.

#### **Amorical Loan**

The \$6,000 loan from Amorical 2020 (hosted in 2024) has been re-paid in full.

## **Discord Updates**

Over the coming weeks, Volkajo will begin to archive and/or remove any channels that are not core NAF, e.g.
extended BB3 tournament, FUMBBL tournament or league advertisement channels. Users will be directed to the official
Blood Bowl 3 or FUMBBL discord to keep the NAF discord from becoming overwhelming with content and avoid a
situation where fewer coaches are checking messages or silence the discord altogether.



### **Newsletter Revival**

Megamind suggested the potential to generate a NAF Newsletter before EuroBowl to inform of the event and to remind
those that the Call for World Cup 2027 Bids is out and the deadline is 15 December 2024. The cost of sending a NAF
Newsletter is approximately \$300. Due to the cost, Megamind will wait to generate a NAF Newsletter in
January/February 2025 when more information can be provided to members such as the NAF Review Outcome
and results of the World Cup Bid Selection.

### **Action Items**

Action Items are listed above in BOLD.

# **Next Meeting**

Anticipated in 6 weeks for another update meeting on or near September 24, 2024.