PENDLETON FC ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Details

- **Date:** June 7, 2026
- **Time:** 2:00 p.m.
- **Location:** Pendleton Community Library, Sycamore AB Room
- **Organization:** Pendleton Youth Soccer Association (PYSA) / Pendleton FC

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1. Call to Order

- **Time:** 2:00 p.m.
- **Chair:** Board President, Lauren Simpson
- **Actions:** Established a quorum, welcomed attendees, and introduced Board members and key staff.

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2. Public Input

- **Summary:** The Chair reviewed public comment rules (2-minute limit per speaker; topics must remain respectful and concise).
- **Policy Update:** Announced that future requests to add topics to a Board meeting agenda must be emailed to pendletonfc@gmail.com **at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.**

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3. Approval of Prior Minutes

- **Discussion:** Reviewed the Monthly Board Meeting minutes from May 3, 2026.
- **Motion:** To approve the May 3, 2026, Monthly Board Meeting minutes as distributed.
- **Result: Approved unanimously.**

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4. Reports

4.1 President's Report

- **Key Achievements:**
  - 962 total players participated this club year.
  - Over $6,000 in scholarships awarded.
  - Over 8,000 volunteer hours contributed by the leadership team.
  - 86% of surveyed families rated their experience and value as neutral to very satisfied (feedback representing 67 players).
  - Microkickers doubled from 6 to 12 teams. The academy program grew to 43 players; 49 players tried out for the upcoming year (14% increase).
  - Initiated the Indiana Soccer "Five Star Club" process.
  - TOPSoccer served 15 players over 6 weeks and secured a $9,000 grant from the South Madison Community Foundation. Age restrictions and caps will be removed this fall.
  - Recreational soccer remains the core foundation (821 players, ~85% of population).
  - Fall 2026 expansions include a U17 Rec Plus division and an adult pickup league.

4.2 Treasurer's / Finance Report

- **Summary:** Presented financial overview, season summaries, current balances, spending decisions, commitments, and sponsorship trends.
- **Motion:** To accept the Treasurer's report as presented.
- **Result: Approved.**

4.3 Program & Operations Report

- **Key Dates & Registrations:**
  - Fall TOPSoccer and Rec registration opens June 15. Academy registration is currently open for rostered players.
  - Fall Coaches Meeting: July 25 at 10:00 a.m. (Sycamore AB Room).
  - Field Set Up Day: August 1 at 9:00 a.m.
  - Practices begin August 10.

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5. Academy and Impact Partnership Update

- **Summary:** Detailed the strategic alignment with Impact to serve as the travel soccer pathway for 11U+ players. Impact is travel-only and does not offer recreational tiers. This allows Pendleton FC to focus heavily on early development (7U–10U) and recreational pathways, while Impact handles elite travel tier advancement.

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6. Bylaw Review & Proposed Changes

All amendments required and received a two-thirds majority vote. Approved changes take effect July 1, 2026.

- **6.1 Overview:** Reviewed current governance rules and confirmed the vote process.
- **6.2 Proposed Change #1 (Fiscal and Seasonal Year):** Formally defined the fiscal year as July 1 – June 30 and granted the Board calendar authority. **Approved.**
- **6.3 Proposed Change #2 (Membership and Voting Clarification):** Clarified voting rights for parents/guardians of players in good standing. **Approved.**
- **6.4 Proposed Change #3 (Membership Termination, Discipline, and Removal):** Established clear disciplinary structures requiring notice and response, with final removal requiring a two-thirds Board vote. **Approved.**
- **6.5 Proposed Change #4 (Board Role Structure):** Combined Secretary duties into the Communications/Secretary role; transitioned the standalone Secretary seat to an At-Large seat. **Approved.**
- **6.6 Proposed Change #5 (At-Large Board Positions):** Created two voting At-Large Board positions to support committees and operations. **Approved.**
- **6.7 Proposed Change #6 (Board Eligibility and Restrictions):** Added compliance and risk management screening requirements for Board service. **Approved.**
- **6.8 Proposed Change #7 (Board Nomination Process):** Established a formal process via a Nominating Committee or petition; floor nominations will no longer be accepted. **Approved.**
- **6.9 Proposed Change #8 (Committees and Operational Staff Positions):** Authorized the Board to appoint operational staff and committees on a non-renewing annual/seasonal basis. **Approved.**

- **6.10 Proposed Change #9 (Conflict of Interest):** Mandated disclosure of conflicts and allowed the Board to require member abstention from votes. **Approved.**
- **6.11 Proposed Change #10 (Board Authority and Final Decision-Making):** Confirmed Board authority to interpret bylaws and rule on matters not explicitly covered. **Approved.**
- **6.12 Proposed Change #11 (Indemnification):** Added legal protections for Board members and staff acting in good faith. **Approved.**

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7. Board Positions & Personnel

- **7.1 Confirmation / Election:** Held elections for the Vice President role and three At-Large positions.
- **Motion:** To approve the slate of candidates for the open Vice President and three At-Large positions.
- **Result:** Sam Hawkins unanimously approved at Vice President. Lexi Maranto and Jillian Gray unanimously approved to share an at-large position with a combined single vote. Mark Davy and Kyle Davy unanimously approved to share an at-large position with a combined single vote.

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8. Review of Motions & Decisions

- **Recap:** A total of 11 bylaw amendments were universally approved to take effect July 1, 2026. The May minutes, financial report, new travel partnership alignment, and the incoming Board election slate were all formally approved.

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9. Adjournment

- **Future Schedule:** Moving forward, even-numbered months will feature public meetings (1st Sunday at 2:00 p.m., Magnolia Room, Pendleton Community Library). Odd-numbered months will be virtual Executive Sessions.
- **Motion:** To adjourn the Annual Meeting at 3:52 p.,.
- **Result: Approved.**