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## Annual General Meeting – Technical Committee Report December 12, 2024

**Current Committee Directors:** Erin Hopkins (Chair), Amanda Cooley, Lee Kormish  
**Staff:** Danielle Bryk

Every year this report is written, I am surprised by how quickly the year has gone by. First, I would like to thank the staff members for their efforts in 2024 as they work to integrate rules changes based on the feedback from members, officials, and the board. I thank all the board members past and present who served on technical this year, and the entire board for their contribution to the considered changes this year. Also, a big thank you to the officials who implement our changes year over year.

As is the case with most years, many of the adjustments made this year were done to align our rules, and hopefully help to streamline the experience for understanding them, bringing clarity to the rules, and simplifying things, such as the new indoor rule that automatically decides the side of play you start the field on, and which team begins with the ball.

Not all rules are so easy to implement, and we continue to review both our league offerings, as well as the complex world of permitting as we try to improve year over year with changes. We may never get permitting totally right, but we will continue to try to improve access for teams while keeping it fair.

The addition of an 8v8 summer league was a well-received addition, and we are excited to improve upon it in 2025. Sometimes member reception causes us to rethink programming as well - such as the removal of the competitive leagues due to feedback. These changes remind us that we need to be dynamic and willing to make changes, as we always hope to serve the membership and provide leagues that they are interested in and engaged with.

As we look towards the next year, I encourage all the membership to voice their feedback and provide opinions on the changes made, as well as suggestions for new programming. We are always interested in how changes or new ideas affect the experience for teams and our members. Thank you, members, for your feedback and engagement over the last year! We are excited for ideas and discussions over the next year as we seek to improve further.

We look forward to more great soccer in 2025!

Erin Hopkins  
Director & Technical Chair  
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