



# Meeting Minutes

<b>Meeting name</b> NAF Committee Meeting	<b>Subject</b> December 2024 & January 2025 Committee Meeting	<b>Attendees</b> Shirokov, President Dreamscreator, Vice President Ulvardar, Treasurer Stimme, Tournament Director Megamind, League Director Twyllenimor, Membership Director Volkajo, Ethics Committee Member
<b>Meeting date</b> December 17, 2024 January 30, 2025	<b>Time</b> 3:00 PM EDT 2:00 PM EDT	
<b>Location</b> WhatsApp Video Call	<b>Prepared by</b> Megamind	

## Purpose

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

## Analysis of Past Year by President Shirokov

- Shirokov congratulated the NAF Committee and Board of Ethics on the outstanding achievements of the past year. He believes this year was one of the best years for the NAF and the most innovative to contributing to the NAF community, while apologizing for his silence during meetings or absence from regular meetings and task efforts.
- With all the success of the past year we still have a lot of ground to cover to increase efficiency and communications between the committee. **Shirokov is composing a proposal to increase NAF Committee efficiency.**
- Shirokov is attempting to focus his time on developing the legal structure of the organization to protect the organization in the future. He has been in contact with an expert at a university in Spain to gain insight and guidance. **Shirokov will develop a strategy to formalize the legal structure of the NAF.**

## NAF Tournament 2025 Regulations Document

- Stimme has released the tournament regulations document for use when seeking NAF sanctioning of tournaments for 2025. This document combined the annual rules and sanctioning guidance in one location to reduce confusion.
- The regulations document was positively received with little to no complaints about the format. The NAF Committee is excited to have all critical information in a single place for tournament organizer consumption.

## Best of the Year Ranking Update

- Dreamscreator has completed the development of the Best of the Year ranking system database. An announcement of previous winners was provided for 2003 - 2023 which includes a gold, silver, and bronze award count for each Country.
- The 2024 Best of the Year announcement and ranking database will be released on February 5, 2025, and include the winners of 2024 and information on how to search for Coach ID in the database. **Dreamscreator and Megamind will coordinate a media post and live database date to distribute the winner announcement and ranking platform to the community.**

## Digital Badge Update (Best of the Year and “Next One”)

- **A digital badge has been developed by Dreamscreator for each of the Best of the Year winners and will eventually be released as a digital badge on the NAF Coach Page. The implementation will follow the announcement of the 2024 winners and database. Dreamscreator will supply the list of winners to Stimme for ease of implementation.**



- Another digital badge is currently in the design phase and planned to be released in March 2025. The NAF Committee is voting on mock-up drawings.
- The digital badge project continues to have positive reaction from the community and the NAF Committee will continue to push to continue to the project.

## Website Update

- Stimme is working with seanh1986, the creator of the BBTM app, who has volunteered to lead a project to develop an official request for proposal that documents the work necessary to develop a new NAF website. The goal is to collect bids from professional programmers and/or companies that are interested in developing the new website.
- **Stimme will develop an anticipated schedule and timeline after initial discussions have occurred with seanh1986 regarding when a draft request for proposal can be ready for NAF Committee review.**

## 2025 Membership Gift Update

- Stimme has developed the design for this year's NAF Membership Gift. The NAF Committee have all agreed to the design and they have been sent to gift manufacturers for production for 12,000 gifts to be delivered to Twyllenimor.
- The first chance to get and preview the latest NAF gift will be at the NAF Championship. Gift distributors attending will get their gifts to support their region. Gift distributors that are not able to attend the NAF Championship will receive their gift after the event.
- **Megamind will make a media post on the day of the NAF Championships to announce the gift reveal to wider community.**

## Block Dice Resurrection as Future Gift Option

- NAF block dice have been requested often by community members as a desired membership gift, and the NAF Committee continues to evaluate this option.
- Dice symbology design is still to be decided. Using the historic 3rd edition block dice symbology used for previous block dice may not be possible due to GW copyright infringement. The NAF Committee have attempted to contact GW representatives to inquire and discuss the use of "old" dice that does not conflict with the current BB2020 dice symbology but have been unsuccessful in getting a response.
- **Ulvardar and Twyllenimor will work together to check pricing from dice manufacturers and see how that compares to existing gift cost for a potential to develop engraved block dice for NAF membership gift in 2026.**
- If the manufacturing price is not favourable, Megamind suggested that we could develop a "Premier" NAF supporter option for members to sign up or renew at. This would be at an increased price that would cover the annual gift as well as the block dice gift cost and any associated additional funds for shipping costs. Being listed as a Premier NAF Supporter could also be made into a digital badge for coach page, if desired.

## World Cup Update

- Forum invites to review and discuss bids have been sent to the selected voters and discussions have already begun.
- Bid were received from France, Malta, New Zealand, and USA. Typically, the NAF makes a post announcing bids received and releasing the bid documents to the community, but each respective bidder announced and released their bid publicly already. Therefore, this release was not done as typically completed before.
- Questions from voters were collected and distributed to bidders for response. All responses have been provided in the forum for voter consideration and evaluation.
- A request was made to the NAF suggesting public release of coach names for selected voters. Currently the NAF Committee feels that the release of voter coach ID should be left up to the NTO to discuss with each of the selected voters individually and decide if it is preferred or appropriate to release the coach's name.



- Stimme has delivered the voting platform to voters and voting begins on January 31, 2025, and will conclude February 15, 2025. Voters were directed to make a fair and thoughtful judgment, keeping in mind key aspects such as the suitability of the venue, accessibility for international traveller's, the experience of the organizing team, cost and affordability, and the overall atmosphere and community spirit the event will foster. This is a ranked-choice vote, meaning voters will rank all bids in order of preference. The system ensures that the winning bid reflects the majority's consensus.
- **Megamind will make a media post announcing the winner of the bid and location for the VI World Cup in 2027.**
- The Committee discussed opportunities to improve the bid procurement process. This includes bid release, voter bid review, forum discussion, Q&A process, and more. Further feedback will be requested once the review is complete and each of the bidders and voters can contribute to feedback on identifying opportunities to improve the process.

## Tournament and League Director Elections

- The Tournament Direction election has concluded and Alexander "Stimme" Weiss has been re-elected unopposed for another 2-year term. Details about Stimme's plans for the next term can be found in the January 2025 TD Blog.
- League Director election is set to open on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025. **Dreamscreator will establish the forum posts for nominations, Q&A, etc. Megamind will produce a media post detailing the timeline for the election process.**
- The NAF Committee discussed modifying the LD role to become an appointed position with an elected Secretary/Media Officer role being created. The role and responsibilities would include meeting coordination, record keeping, task management, media post, media content development etc. However, this would require a change to the NAF Charter and there is not enough time to modify that for the upcoming election. While the Secretary/Media Officer role and responsibilities is not necessarily included within the League Director roles and responsibilities the NAF Committee would like the winning coach to consider taking on those roles for the NAF Committee, if elected to replace responsibilities currently being performed by Megamind.

## NAF Sportsman of the Year

- There are a total of ten nominations for NAF Sportsman of the Year. **Megamind will compose the entries and provide to the Board of Ethics to begin their review and recommendation for award.**

## NAFHAMMER 40K: AGE OF ULVA

- The NAF Committee is planning to raffle off Coach ID – NAFHAMMER Coach # - 40,000 to help support raising funds for the website upgrade. A winning coach would have all their tournament results and information transferred to the new account.
- **Megamind will investigate the ability to use a raffle platform that would work to collect donations and raffle the Coach ID. Once complete Megamind will make a post calling for raffle ticket entries.**

## Best Painted Guidelines

- There have been questions and complaints about the award of best painted. The Board of Ethics has been tasked with establishing the recommended criteria/recommendations for awarding a Best Painted award at a NAF sanctioned event that Tournament Organizers may seek to implement to reduce the likelihood of any negative experiences. **The Board of Ethics will compose the content for "Best Painted" recommendations/guidelines and Stimme will publish it in the next upcoming TD blog.**

## Live Media Updates for Tournaments

- There has been an interest in the community to attempt to cover NAF events live with photos and updates in a more central location and not just for large tournaments like EuroBowl or World Cup.



- **Megamind will begin to work on developing a vision of what could be done to spread coverage of more events occurring within the NAF as they are occurring live instead of after the fact.**

## **NAF Shop Update**

- Megamind surveyed three Blood Bowl community companies (CharlieVictor, DocMiniature, and Black Orc Down) to gauge interest and feedback to develop or serve as a NAF Shop. One company did not respond to the survey request. The results were provided to the NAF Committee for review.
- All companies were interested at some level in potentially providing NAF emblazoned merchandise, however there were concerns about exclusive license rights and global shipping availability. In addition, each company had a specialty they were known for (dice, coins, clothing, etc.) and no single company felt capable to solely distribute worldwide a wide range of high-quality Blood Bowl items that fall outside of their usual stock items.
- In conclusion, at this time there is no plan to establish an official NAF Shop however, if a distributor would like to approach us directly with a formalized business plan we would evaluate it on a case-by-case basis.

## **Action Items**

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

## **Next Meeting**

- Anticipated in 6 weeks for another update meeting on or near March 13, 2025.