



MEMBER AT LARGE CANDIDATE:

KYLE HADDOCK

(RANDOLPH SOCCER CLUB)

WHY DO YOU WISH TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

I AIM TO REJOIN THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO IMPROVE GRASSROOTS PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG PLAYERS. AS A FORMER BOARD MEMBER AND TRAVEL LEAGUE PRESIDENT, I LED LEAGUE COORDINATION AND POLICY ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE US SOCCER PLAYER DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE. I ALSO CONTRIBUTED TO THE FINANCE, REGISTRATION, AND TECHNICAL COMMITTEES. UPON RETURN, I WILL COLLABORATE WITH MEMBER LEAGUES AND CLUBS TO ENHANCE COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS AND SHARE MY EXPERIENCE DEVELOPING UNIQUE 6-8U PROGRAMS OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS. WITH THE EXPANSION OF NJYSA LEAGUES AND UPCOMING CHANGES IN AGE CUTOFFS, EXPERIENCED AT-LARGE MEMBERS ARE CRUCIAL.

WHAT RELEVANT SKILLS OR EXPERIENCE WOULD YOU BRING TO THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

I HAVE SERVED AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE MORRIS COUNTY YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION FOR OVER 13 YEARS AND AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE RANDOLPH SOCCER CLUB FOR MORE THAN 17 YEARS. WITH OVER 20 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AS A USSF REFEREE, I HAVE HELD VARIOUS ROLES INCLUDING REFEREE, INSTRUCTOR, MENTOR, AND ASSIGNOR. I WAS SELECTED TO REPRESENT NEW JERSEY AS A REFEREE AT THE USYSA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND IN PROFESSIONAL MATCHES AS A STATE REFEREE, AS WELL AS A REFEREE IN THE MISL, CONTINUING MY SERVICE AS A REGIONAL EMERITUS REFEREE. ADDITIONALLY, I HAVE BEEN A YOUTH SOCCER COACH FOR OVER 25 YEARS AND SPENT 9 YEARS ON THE NJ YOUTH SOCCER BOARD AS THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR MCYSA, INCLUDING A YEAR AS THE NORTH AREA TRAVEL COMMISSIONER.

PROFESSIONALLY, I AM AN EXPERIENCED LEADER IN DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING UTILITY-LED ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS. I HAVE ALSO HELD ELECTED POSITIONS IN MULTIPLE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, REPRESENTING AND ADVOCATING FOR THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY INDUSTRY IN BOTH NEW JERSEY AND PENNSYLVANIA. IN 2020, I LAUNCHED THE NORTH JERSEY 4V4 (NJ4V4), WHICH IS THE LARGEST AND LONGEST-RUNNING TRUE 4V4 PROGRAM IN THE REGION FOR PLAYERS AGED 6-8U. NJ4V4 HAS PROVEN TO BE AN EFFECTIVE MODEL FOR INTRODUCING PLAYERS AND FAMILIES TO THE GAME.



MEMBER AT LARGE CANDIDATE:

KYLE HADDOCK (CONTINUED)

(RANDOLPH SOCCER CLUB)

WHAT DO YOU PERCEIVE AS THE BIGGEST ISSUES FACING THE SPORT OF SOCCER TODAY AND ITS GROWTH IN NEW JERSEY?

NEW JERSEY YOUTH SOCCER MUST PRIORITIZE GRASSROOTS SOCCER FOR AGES 11U AND YOUNGER. WITH THE 2026 WORLD CUP APPROACHING, ENHANCING PROGRAMS TO NURTURE YOUNG PLAYERS' LOVE FOR THE GAME IS ESSENTIAL. TRYOUTS START EARLIER AND EARLIER, AND PLAYER MOVEMENT IS RAMPANT. DESPITE CLAIMS OF FOCUSING ON DEVELOPMENT, MANY CLUBS SEEM MORE INTERESTED IN RECRUITING AND COLLECTING PLAYERS. NJYS HAS GROWN, BUT EXPERIENCES DIFFER WIDELY ACROSS CLUBS AND COMMUNITIES.

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR NEW JERSEY YOUTH SOCCER AND YOUR PRIORITIES FOR YOUR TERM, IF ELECTED?

MY VISION FOR NJYS IS TO ENSURE EQUITABLE ACCESS TO SOCCER IN NEW JERSEY AND NEIGHBORING STATES, DEVELOP GRASSROOTS PROGRAMS, AND SUPPORT LOCAL COMMUNITIES TO GROW THE GAME.



MEMBER AT LARGE CANDIDATE:

DANA LOPES

(BRICK TOWNSHIP SOCCER ASSOC.)

WHY DO YOU WISH TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

I AM EXCITED TO CONTINUE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE NEW JERSEY YOUTH SOCCER BOARD OF DIRECTORS BECAUSE I AM DEEPLY COMMITTED TO THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF YOUTH SOCCER IN OUR STATE.

SOCCER IS MORE THAN JUST A GAME—IT TEACHES TEAMWORK, DISCIPLINE, PERSEVERANCE, AND SPORTSMANSHIP, SHAPING YOUNG ATHLETES BOTH ON AND OFF THE FIELD.

WHAT RELEVANT SKILLS OR EXPERIENCE WOULD YOU BRING TO THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

I BRING A DIVERSE SET OF SKILLS AND EXPERIENCES THAT ALIGN WITH THE MISSION AND GOALS OF NEW JERSEY YOUTH SOCCER. MY BACKGROUND AS A SOCCER COACH WHICH ENTAILED DESIGNING PLAYER DEVELOPMENT TRAINING SESSIONS, AND AS A CLUB PRESIDENT HAS GIVEN ME FIRSTHAND INSIGHT INTO THE NEEDS OF YOUNG ATHLETES, COACHES, AND PARENTS WITHIN THE SOCCER COMMUNITY. ADDITIONALLY, MY PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE ON VARIOUS BOARDS, LEADERSHIP POSITIONS, AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT HAS EQUIPPED ME WITH THE ABILITY TO CONTRIBUTE EFFECTIVELY TO THE ORGANIZATIONAL GROWTH, GOVERNANCE, AND STRATEGIC PLANNING OF NJYS. I HAVE SKILLS SUCH AS GRANT WRITING, FUNDRAISING, EVENT PLANNING, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, CURRICULUM DESIGN, TEACHING AND COACHING EDUCATION AS WELL AS PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT, WHICH I BELIEVE WOULD BE VALUABLE IN ENHANCING NJYS INITIATIVES. I AM PARTICULARLY PASSIONATE ABOUT EXPANDING ACCESS TO SOCCER FOR UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES, IMPROVING COACHING EDUCATION, PROMOTING GIRLS' SOCCER, AND ENHANCING PLAYER SAFETY AND DEVELOPMENT. BY SERVING ON THE BOARD, I HOPE TO USE MY EXPERTISE TO SUPPORT NJYS IN FOSTERING A POSITIVE AND INCLUSIVE SOCCER ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL PLAYERS.



MEMBER AT LARGE CANDIDATE:

DANA LOPES (CONTINUED)

(BRICK TOWNSHIP SOCCER ASSOC.)

WHAT DO YOU PERCEIVE AS THE BIGGEST ISSUES FACING THE SPORT OF SOCCER TODAY AND ITS GROWTH IN NEW JERSEY?

SOCCER CONTINUES TO GROW IN POPULARITY ACROSS THE U.S., BUT SEVERAL CHALLENGES IMPACT ITS ACCESSIBILITY AND DEVELOPMENT, PARTICULARLY IN NEW JERSEY. ONE OF THE BIGGEST ISSUES IS AFFORDABILITY AND ACCESS. THE COST OF CLUB SOCCER, TRAVEL EXPENSES, AND TRAINING PROGRAMS CAN BE A BARRIER FOR MANY FAMILIES, LIMITING OPPORTUNITIES FOR TALENTED PLAYERS IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES. EXPANDING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS, COMMUNITY-BASED INITIATIVES, AND RECREATIONAL LEAGUES CAN HELP MAKE THE SPORT MORE INCLUSIVE. ANOTHER MAJOR CONCERN IS COACHING EDUCATION AND PLAYER DEVELOPMENT. ENSURING THAT COACHES AT ALL LEVELS HAVE ACCESS TO QUALITY TRAINING AND RESOURCES IS ESSENTIAL FOR DEVELOPING WELL-ROUNDED ATHLETES. STRENGTHENING GRASSROOTS COACHING PROGRAMS AND MENTORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES CAN ELEVATE THE OVERALL LEVEL OF PLAY AND ENGAGEMENT. ADDITIONALLY, FACILITIES AND FIELD AVAILABILITY PRESENT CHALLENGES, ESPECIALLY IN URBAN AREAS WHERE FIELD SPACE IS LIMITED. INVESTING IN NEW SOCCER COMPLEXES, MULTI-USE FIELDS, AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH SCHOOLS AND LOCAL PARKS CAN HELP ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. FINALLY, PLAYER RETENTION AND COMPETITION WITH OTHER SPORTS IMPACT LONG-TERM GROWTH. KEEPING KIDS ENGAGED IN SOCCER BEYOND THE EARLY YEARS REQUIRES FOSTERING A FUN, DEVELOPMENT-FOCUSED ENVIRONMENT, BALANCING COMPETITIVE PLAY WITH A STRONG EMPHASIS ON PERSONAL GROWTH AND ENJOYMENT.



MEMBER AT LARGE CANDIDATE:

DANA LOPES (CONTINUED)

(BRICK TOWNSHIP SOCCER ASSOC.)

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR NEW JERSEY YOUTH SOCCER AND YOUR PRIORITIES FOR YOUR TERM, IF ELECTED?

MY VISION FOR NEW JERSEY YOUTH SOCCER IS TO CREATE AN INCLUSIVE, ACCESSIBLE, AND DEVELOPMENT-FOCUSED SOCCER ENVIRONMENT THAT ALLOWS PLAYERS OF ALL BACKGROUNDS AND SKILL LEVELS TO THRIVE. NJYS HAS A STRONG FOUNDATION, AND I AIM TO CONTRIBUTE TO ITS GROWTH BY EXPANDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPATION, ENHANCING PLAYER DEVELOPMENT PATHWAYS, AND STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

IF ELECTED AS A MEMBER-AT-LARGE, MY PRIORITIES WOULD INCLUDE:

1. EXPANDING ACCESS & AFFORDABILITY – ADVOCATE FOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS, FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH INITIATIVES TO ENSURE THAT COST IS NOT A BARRIER FOR YOUNG ATHLETES.
2. IMPROVING COACHING & PLAYER DEVELOPMENT – SUPPORT INITIATIVES THAT PROVIDE HIGH-QUALITY COACHING EDUCATION AND TRAINING, ENSURING THAT ALL PLAYERS RECEIVE THE BEST POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE.
3. ENHANCING FACILITIES & RESOURCES – WORK TO INCREASE ACCESS TO SAFE, WELL-MAINTAINED FIELDS AND TRAINING ENVIRONMENTS, PARTICULARLY IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES.
4. FOSTERING INCLUSIVITY & DIVERSITY – PROMOTE PROGRAMS THAT ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION FROM ALL COMMUNITIES, WITH A FOCUS ON INCREASING OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIRLS, MINORITY GROUPS, AND DIFFERENTLY-ABLED PLAYERS.

I AM COMMITTED TO WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH FELLOW BOARD MEMBERS, CLUBS, COACHES, AND FAMILIES TO ENSURE NJYS CONTINUES TO GROW AND POSITIVELY IMPACT YOUTH SOCCER IN NEW JERSEY. I BELIEVE THAT THROUGH THOUGHTFUL LEADERSHIP AND STRATEGIC INITIATIVES, WE CAN MAKE THE GAME MORE ACCESSIBLE, ENJOYABLE, AND BENEFICIAL FOR ALL PLAYERS.



MEMBER AT LARGE CANDIDATE:

CHUCK MYERS

(PISCATAWAY SOCCER CLUB)

WHY DO YOU WISH TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

I WISH TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO CONTRIBUTE MY EXPERIENCE AND PASSION FOR YOUTH SOCCER AT A BROADER LEVEL, HELPING TO SHAPE POLICIES AND INITIATIVES THAT BENEFIT PLAYERS, COACHES, AND CLUBS ACROSS THE STATE. WITH OVER TWO DECADES OF INVOLVEMENT IN COACHING, CLUB MANAGEMENT, AND LEAGUE ADMINISTRATION, I UNDERSTAND THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN YOUTH SOCCER AND AM COMMITTED TO FOSTERING A POSITIVE AND INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS. BY LEVERAGING MY BACKGROUND IN EVENT MANAGEMENT, COACHING EDUCATION, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, I HOPE TO SUPPORT THE CONTINUED GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF SOCCER IN NEW JERSEY.

WHAT RELEVANT SKILLS OR EXPERIENCE WOULD YOU BRING TO THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

I HAVE OVER TWO DECADES OF EXPERIENCE IN YOUTH SOCCER, AND HAVE SERVED IN VARIOUS LEADERSHIP ROLES, INCLUDING AS A BOARD MEMBER FOR NJ YOUTH SOCCER, MNJYSA, AND PISCATAWAY SOCCER CLUB, WHERE I AM CURRENTLY THE DIRECTOR OF COACHING. MY CONTRIBUTIONS EXTEND TO COACHING PLAYERS FROM AGES 7U TO 18U, EARNING CERTIFICATIONS SUCH AS THE USSF NATIONAL D-LICENSE AND MULTIPLE USC CREDENTIALS, AS WELL AS RECEIVING THE NJ RECREATION COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD. ADDITIONALLY, I HAVE HELPED MANAGE LARGE-SCALE SOCCER TOURNAMENTS, AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES LIKE A SOCCER PASSBACK DONATION PROGRAM.

WHAT DO YOU PERCEIVE AS THE BIGGEST ISSUES FACING THE SPORT OF SOCCER TODAY AND ITS GROWTH IN NEW JERSEY?

YOUTH SOCCER FACES SEVERAL CHALLENGES THAT IMPACT PLAYER DEVELOPMENT, ACCESSIBILITY, AND OVERALL ENJOYMENT OF THE GAME. MY CONCERNS INCLUDE:

- RETENTION OF HIGH SCHOOL-AGED PLAYERS - MANY PLAYERS QUIT AFTER MIDDLE SCHOOL DUE TO LIMITED OPPORTUNITIES OUTSIDE OF ELITE PROGRAMS.
- PAY-TO-PLAY SYSTEM - HIGH COSTS FOR CLUB AND TRAVEL SOCCER MAKE THE SPORT INACCESSIBLE TO MANY FAMILIES, LIMITING DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION.
- PARENTAL & SIDELINE BEHAVIOR - POOR SPORTSMANSHIP FROM PARENTS AND COACHES CREATE A TOXIC ENVIRONMENT, DISCOURAGING YOUNG ATHLETES FROM CONTINUING

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR NEW JERSEY YOUTH SOCCER AND YOUR PRIORITIES FOR YOUR TERM, IF ELECTED?

I AM PASSIONATE ABOUT ADVANCING YOUTH SOCCER IN NEW JERSEY BY SUPPORTING CLUBS IN DEVELOPING STRONG RECREATION, TRAVEL, AND TOPSOCCER PROGRAMS. IF ELECTED TO THE NJYS BOARD, I WILL ADVOCATE FOR STANDARDIZED TRYOUT TIMELINES, CONSISTENT LEAGUE RULES, EXPANDED OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND ELITE PLAYERS, AND THE GROWTH OF AFFORDABLE 7U FESTIVAL PROGRAMS. MY GOAL IS TO ENSURE SOCCER REMAINS A POSITIVE, INCLUSIVE, AND ENRICHING EXPERIENCE BY FOSTERING SPORTSMANSHIP, ACCESSIBILITY, AND DEVELOPMENT AT ALL LEVELS OF PLAY.



SECOND VICE PRESIDENT CANDIDATE:

ANDREW BONDAROWICZ

WHY DO YOU WISH TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

IN THE LAST 4 YEARS, I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY A PIVOTAL ROLE IN HELPING TO ADVANCING NJYS AS ITS 2ND VP. WHILE WE HAVE MADE SOME GREAT STRIDES IN RECENT YEARS, THERE IS SO MUCH MORE TO DO. MY BACKGROUND PROVIDES SOME VALUABLE SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE TO THE NJYS BOARD TO HELP NAVIGATE THROUGH A MYRIAD OF ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW THE GAME WE ALL LOVE.

WHAT RELEVANT SKILLS OR EXPERIENCE WOULD YOU BRING TO THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

I BRING A VARIETY OF SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE TO THE NJYS BOARD AS AN ATTORNEY AND SPORTS INDUSTRY PROFESSIONAL WHO HAS PARTICIPATED IN NJYS FOR OVER 30 YEARS AS A PLAYER, COACH, AND ADMINISTRATOR.

HIS 20+ YEAR PROFESSIONAL CAREER IN SPORTS AS AN ATTORNEY AND INDUSTRY PROFESSIONAL. I HAVE PERSONALLY REPRESENTED OVER 100 PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES AND NUMEROUS PROFESSIONAL CLUBS/LEAGUES IN CONTRACT MATTERS AS WELL AS A MYRIAD OF OTHER LEGAL, MARKETING, AND OPERATIONAL ENDEAVORS. AS AN ATTORNEY MAINTAINS A SPECIALTY PRACTICE REPRESENTING NONPROFIT ENTITIES, INCLUDING OVER A DOZEN YOUTH SPORTS ORGANIZATION, ON GOVERNANCE, REGULATORY, AND CRISIS MATTERS AND AM A FREQUENT SPEAKER ON YOUTH, COLLEGE AND PROFESSIONAL SPORTS LAW TOPICS.

ON THE YOUTH SPORTS LEVEL, I HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN A VARIETY OF ROLES IN YOUTH SOCCER FOR OVER 25 YEARS. IN ADDITION TO SERVED ON THE NJYS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS, I HAD PREVIOUSLY SERVED ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND AS PRESIDENT OF THE SCOTCH PLAINS FANWOOD SOCCER ASSOCIATION AND WAS A FOUNDER OF THE SUBURBAN YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE (SYSL) WHICH NOW INCLUDES OVER 22 NJYS CLUBS IN UNION, MIDDLESEX, AND ESSEX COUNTIES AND PROVIDES AN OPEN, "COMPETITIVE RECREATIONAL" PROGRAM. I HAVE ALSO SERVED AS A CERTIFIED REFEREE FOR OVER 20 YEARS.

SO, I FEEL I AM UNIQUELY QUALIFIED TO CONTINUE TO SERVE ON THE NJYS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.



SECOND VICE PRESIDENT CANDIDATE: ANDREW BONDAROWICZ (CONTINUED)

WHAT DO YOU PERCEIVE AS THE BIGGEST ISSUES FACING THE SPORT OF SOCCER TODAY AND ITS GROWTH IN NEW JERSEY?

SOCCER IN THE UNITED STATES IS SEVERELY DISJOINTED WHICH MAKES IT DIFFICULT FOR PARTICIPANTS TO STAY CONNECTED TO THE GAME. AS A YOUTH ORGANIZATION WE PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN DEVELOPING A PASSION FOR THE GAME AND KEEPING YOUTH CONNECTED AS THEY AGE UP. IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO PROVIDE THAT PATHWAY FOR OUR MEMBERS TO BECOME LIFELONG SOCCER ENTHUSIASTS.

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR NEW JERSEY YOUTH SOCCER AND YOUR PRIORITIES FOR YOUR TERM, IF ELECTED?

WITH THE WORLD CUP LOOMING IN 2026, IT IS CRITICAL THAT NJYS PLAYS A VISIBLE ROLE IN MAKING THE GAME ACCESSIBLE TO ALL TO CAPITALIZE ON THE EXTRA ATTENTION THAT SOCCER WILL RECEIVE IN THE COMING YEARS. FROM THERE, WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT A SAFE AND EXCITING ENVIRONMENT THAT FUELS THE PASSION FOR THE GAME. ORGANIZATIONALLY, NJYS NEEDS TO CONTINUE TO SERVE AS A KEY RESOURCE FOR CLUBS, PLAYERS, AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS TO MAKE IT AS ACCESSIBLE AS POSSIBLE TO ALL.



SECOND VICE PRESIDENT CANDIDATE:

KEN SCHINKEL

WHY DO YOU WISH TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

AS A YOUNG PLAYER AND ALSO PLAYING IN ADULT LEAGUES IT HAS GIVEN ME A STRONG DESIRE TO GIVE BACK TO THE SPORT THAT MEANS SO MUCH TO ME.

WHAT RELEVANT SKILLS OR EXPERIENCE WOULD YOU BRING TO THE NJYS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN YOUTH SOCCER SINCE 1988 STARTING AS A COACH AND GETTING INVOLVED IN CLUB, LEAGUE, STATE AND REGIONAL SOCCER LEADING UP TO TODAY. MY CLUB EXPERIENCE AS COACH LEAD TO BEING TRAVEL DIRECTOR FOR 15 YEARS AND HELPING IN THE CLUB YEARLY TOURNAMENT. MY LEAGUE EXPERIENCE STARTED AS A MEMBER OF THEIR DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE LEADING TO THE POSITION OF LEAGUE PRESIDENT WHICH WAS HELD FOR MANY YEARS AS THE LARGEST LEAGUE IN NJYS. MY NJYS EXPERIENCE STARTED WITH BEING CENTRAL AREA TRAVEL COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, NJYS REGISTRAR DURING THE CHANGE FROM PAPER TO DIGITAL, NJYS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NJYS REFEREE COMMITTEE, CUP COMMITTEE AND HELPED WITH TOP SOCCER. MY REGION 1 EXPERIENCE STARTED WITH MULTIPLE YEARS HELPING THE ODP TOURNAMENT AND TWO YEARS OF CHAIR OF THE EVENT. DURING MY TENURE WITH REGIONAL ODP BROUGHT ABOUT MULTIPLE CHANGES FROM PAPER TO A DIGITAL PRESENCE.

WHAT DO YOU PERCEIVE AS THE BIGGEST ISSUES FACING THE SPORT OF SOCCER TODAY AND ITS GROWTH IN NEW JERSEY?

THE PRESENT POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT IS GOING TO BE A CHALLENGE FOR ALL YOUTH SPORTS AND I BELIEVE THAT I HAVE A STRONG BACKGROUND TO HELP KEEP FOCUS AND DIRECTION WITH THE "KID'S FIRST" AGENDA.

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR NEW JERSEY YOUTH SOCCER AND YOUR PRIORITIES FOR YOUR TERM, IF ELECTED?

MY VISION IS TO MAINTAIN AND CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL PLAYERS; RECREATION, TRAVEL OR PLAYERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, SO THEY CAN PARTICIPATE AT A LEVEL THAT WILL HELP THEM SUCCEED AND GROW IN THE SOCCER COMMUNITY.