



Board of Directors Elections – 2022 Biography and Candidacy Statement

For Regional Board Director | West Region (IV) *Brian Waltrip*

BIOGRAPHY:

Currently the Executive Director of Los Angeles Soccer Club and also as part of the US Club SoCal PDP staff. 12+ years of coaching experience at the elite level youth and in pro environments including USSDA, European academies, Pro, and Semi-pro teams. USSF A and UEFA licensed. Served as the VP and Director of Football for Honda Estilo. A sports management group with academies and professional teams throughout Africa, Asia, and Europe. Former professional player with 15+ years of playing experience at the highest levels in the Germany, Japan, Norway, Portugal, and USA.

CANDIDACY STATEMENT:

It is my passion to help young men and women grow in this game and as people. Soccer has been so influential and rewarding in my life and I want to continue to do my small part in paying it forward to the next generation.

When I retired from playing and moved back to the US, I was encouraged with some of the progress we had made as a soccer nation. The opportunities available to players now are much greater than they once were. However, I believe we can do more and continue to grow soccer here in the US and it all starts with our youth. There are still barriers to entry and players that miss out on the experiences that this game can offer.

It is my desire to be a part of the US Club Soccer Board of Directors because I believe in what they are doing. They want to foster the growth and development of the game here in the US. A mission that speaks to all of us that love soccer.

US Club Soccer has recently established a much bigger presence here in Southern California including a PDP program. As a member of the PDP staff, it has been very encouraging to work with such a talented staff all looking further the game. I want to continue that work within the US Club Board of Directors by advocating for the players, clubs, administrators, parents, and all those supporting this mission.