

AYSO Board Meeting

January 7, 2021

Attendees

X	Neil Weinberger	X	Caroline Amicone
X	Taj Chiu		Steve Hawkins
X	James Sheehy		Chris Herb
X	Mimi Goldstein	X	DeWayne McMullin
X	Shanti Rao		Bill Owen
	Dan Jeffries		Ivonne Penichet
X	Dana Bradley		Marco Quezada
	Scott Davis		Samir Singh
	Vic Gutierrez		
	Steve Haegelin		Adam Yatsko
	Oscar Alvarez	X	Joanie Paik
	Lara Lund		Tara Mastro
	Mark Evans		Terry Takahashi
	Louise Hamlin		Sam Shaker
	Bill Owen	X	Stas Petropoulos
X	Terry Takahashi		

Call to Order

Neil Weinberger called the meeting to order at 7:19 pm.

Shanti motioned to approve the October, November, and December 2020 meeting minutes. Taj seconded the motion. Minutes were approved with all voting in favor.

General

Skills & Drills

Marco has no new information about field availability. Skills & Drills Program is on hold. Schools remain closed, so Muir is not available. Any announcement about future soccer programs will be on hold until covid cases decrease and stay at home restrictions are lifted.

For Skills & Drills, 276 kids were enrolled in the fall program. This count covered Launch trainers and fixed costs. For future programs, a minimum of four sessions could have 48 kids each session. Fewer than 48 kids would not make administrative sense. Field cost was only \$500 last time. Above 200 kids would be the ideal number for the program to break even.

InLeague Timeline

The new registration system, InLeague, will be kicked off in the fall. InLeague is used by other AYSO regions. It has an open API platform so all data is immediately accessible. It costs more but there will be savings in thousands of hours of volunteer labor. Region 13 has seen 5-10% of all registrations are lost due to frustration with the registration system. Time will be needed to migrate information framework to the new platform. But the ease of use and interface will be an improvement over Blue Sombrero.

Shanti, Taj, and Neil support InLeague. Shanti motioned to approve InLeague as Region 13's new registration system. Stas seconded the motion. Motion was approved with all voting in favor.

Clubhousekeeping

Mimi noted that in our clubhouse lease there is a requirement to carry property damage insurance. This requirement has not been enforced so the clubhouse currently does not have this insurance. It is also unknown whether the clubhouse is covered under National's insurance policy. Shanti will put Mimi in touch with insurance broker. The inventory at the clubhouse is currently equipment and referee uniforms. Player uniforms are not kept at the clubhouse.

Regional Commissioner search / new board timeline

Stas is leading the search for the new Regional Commissioner. Each candidate will provide a paragraph of what their vision is for their tenure.

At the February or March Board meeting the rest of the Board positions will be voted on. Some members will be transitioning out in 2021. Taj and Neil will confirm other board positions over the next month.

Rolando Morales, our Area Director, will join Region 13 at the next Board meeting.

Instruction

Shanti noted that now is typically the time when coach instruction for intermediate and advanced coaching takes place. Due to the lost year, Region 13 needs to identify which volunteers need advanced levels of coaching. Core programs are the highest priority, with play through less of a priority. Dana and Taj to send out information about what resources are available on aysou.org to parent volunteers.

Discussion centered on re-engaging volunteers in preparation for the fall season. Online classes and youtube training videos were suggested. Taj suggested a referee training clinic with Chip or Steve as moderators.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Next Board Meeting is February 4, 2021.

Board will convene to vote on the new Regional Commissioner – quorum is required.