



AYSO—Region 13 Board Meeting
August 14th, 2014 7:00 pm
AGENDA

- Call to Order – Al
- July minutes – approved – thank you
- Action Items from past months
 - Marco – Muir Central corner flag box
 - Mark Evans – Kid Zone signs – update/plan
- Coach / Ref dinner – 8/27
- Updates –45 min
 - Team Manager – Kelly
 - Freeway Jam – Update
 - Welcome to Region 13
 - Uniforms – Ivonne
 - § Board Shirts
 - Board Status –
 - § Volunteer form, Safe Haven / Concussion Awareness training
 - Sponsorship – Chris
 - Coach’s Report – Heidi
 - Referee Report – Kareem
 - Financial Report – Angel
 - Fields - Marco
 - CVPA – Pamela Morgan
 - Opening day – Frank
 - § Bill Ukropina to help
 - Picture Day – Kim
- Discussion Subjects – 45 min
 - RAP – Regional Assessment Program
 - Bill’s VP renumbering proposal
 - Season Calendar
 - § Coach / Ref dinner Wed 8/27 – La Salle HS
 - § First Game 9/6
 - Dole Squish’ems
 - § Opening Day – 9/20
 - § Picture day 9/27 – 10/11
 - § U5 – 9/14 thru 10/26
 - § Last regular season game – 11/15
 - § Regional Playoffs week 1 – 11/22 – 11/23
 - § MST – 11/28 à 11/30
 - § Regional Playoffs week 2 – 12/6 – 12/7
 - § Holiday Dinner 12/11 - Brookside
 - § Area Playoffs 12/13 – 12/14
- Area 1/C meeting
- Coach ID’s
- Review of Action Items
- Open Discussion
- Next Meeting
 - September 4th
- Adjournment

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Board of Directors' Minutes
August 14, 2014

Call to Order - Al

- The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. In attendance were: Angel Huitz, Al Prado, Serj Stepanian, Dan Jeffries, Lynn Dannhausen, Kelly Leyva, Chris McDonald, Heidi Taylor, Ben Moran, Scott Davis, Bill Owen, Frank Bigelow, Steve Bickel, Neil Weinberger, Ivonne Penichet, Marco Quezada, Pamela Morgan, Chip Heller, Kareem Badaruddin, and others.

July Minutes – approved – thank you

Action Items from past months

- Marco –Muir Central corner flag box - Marco is ready to order a custom made box.
- Mark Evans – Kid Zone signs – update/plan – Mark is prepared to order the signs.

Updates – 45 minutes

- Team Manager – Kelly
 - Kelly has completed the information packet and will be getting them copied. She will also distribute them electronically.
 - She is planning on holding four meetings by age group, Tuesday and Wednesday next week and Tuesday and Thursday the following week. Maria will assist her in the beginning.
- Freeway Jam – Update
 - Al reported that there were 57 teams present at the tournament. The games were held at the Arcadia City Hall and Victory Park fields.
 - The Area netted approximately \$10,000 from the event.
- Welcome to Region 13
 - Al advised that there were approximately 60 to 70 people at the Welcome event.
- Uniforms – Ivonne
 - Almost all uniforms have been picked up by the Division Coordinators. Only GU14 is left.
 - Board and Division Coordinator shirts should be received prior to the August 27th event.
 - Ivonne is currently looking at options for the coaches shirts.
- Board Status
 - Volunteer form, Safe Haven / Concussion Awareness training
- Sponsorship – Chris
 - Chris is still awaiting a final listing of teams. Per Heidi, it should be finalized by next week.
 - Chris reported that about 80% of our teams from last year contributed \$350.
 - He would like a link to list our regular team sponsors online. We need to amend the form to include a privacy statement for people to opt out of the listing.
 - He would like to show information regarding any general donations on the website.
 - Chris indicated that the link to the sponsorship form is not working.
 - This registration season, we didn't do as much "Circle of Champions" offerings as has been done in the past. Chris advised that he would like to continue this as it has been successful in obtaining additional funds.
 - Dick's Sporting Goods is holding an AYSO Region 13 shopping day next weekend. They will be giving us a banner to hang.
- Coach's Report – Heidi
 - The Coach / Referee dinner is scheduled for 8/27. All head coaches are invited.
 - They are planning on holding coaching clinics along with the referee clinics.
 - Heidi reported that all divisions except for U6 have completed team formations with a few new issues coming up that she is working on.
 - She is planning on holding a session to organize the coaches' equipment.
 - Most of the uniforms are distributed to the Division Coach Administrators.
 - Heidi indicated that she would like to hold jamboree style practices beginning next week for U10 through U14 until practice fields are assigned. She is planning on running some skills stations that the players rotate through. Most of the divisions have volunteers to staff the sessions.

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- Frank reported that there have been four coach classes held to date. There were approximately 70 students with 30 attending the Safe Haven session in the afternoon.
- Numerous coaches are attending classes in other regions.
- Referee's Report – Kareem
 - Fall Training Dates (as announced previously):
 - **Saturday, 8/16** (best option — least crowded)
 - **Saturday, 8/23** (good option)
 - **Saturday, 8/30** (not so good — Labor Day weekend and quite crowded)
 - **Sunday, 9/7** (not so good — crowded and this class occurs after the start of the season)
 - Our Advanced Referee Class last weekend had 7 students, 4 from R13 of the 7, only 4 passed the test (the 4 from R13).
 - Kevin Chun
 - Erik Forrester
 - Dimitris Menemenlis
 - Lincoln Wallen
 - We still offer a member of the Referee Staff to meet a referee at an assignment and offer guidance and support. This year we are calling this the "Referee Advisement Program" instead of the "Referee Mentoring Program", to differentiate between our Mentoring program, which is for Advanced and National candidates and involves a more consistent relationship with the senior referee.
- Financial Report – Angel
 - Angel distributed a handout of all payments made in August to date for review.
 - She reported that she has collected approximately \$255,000 for fall registrations and has refunded about \$5,000 for drops.
- Fields – Marco
 - Marco reported that we will only be playing at the Rose Bowl on two partial days this fall. There are so many events scheduled at the Rose Bowl now that we are unable to utilize Area H as much as in the past. Our new "home" field will be Victory Park.
 - Marco advised that we may need to start limiting player numbers due to the lack of available fields.
 - Muir South renovations are in process.
 - There may be two new fields somewhere by Pasadena High School in the future.
 - He has a meeting scheduled to finalize permits and practice fields.
 - Marco advised that the balls, pumps and bags have arrived.
 - McKinley field is under construction, La Canada JV field is mostly unavailable to us and we will share Muir Central this season.
 - Marco advised that we should consider doing what some other regions have been doing and play some games on Sundays due to lack of field space.
 - Marco indicated that he will be using the following fields:
 - U6 FIS upper and Victory lower
 - U7 McDonald, #5 Victory lower, Paradise Canyon
 - U8 Cornishon, #2 Victory lower, LDS
 - U10 FIS lower, #4 Victory lower, Muir South
 - U12 Muir North – 3 fields, La Canada JV
 - U14 Muir Central, Blair
 - U16 and U19 Muir Central, La Canada JV

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- CVPA – Pamela Morgan
 - Pamela reported that everyone should be registered as volunteers at this point. There are still some people trying to sign up for classes but they are not registered in eAYSO and thus not allowed to register.
- Opening Day – Frank
 - Scheduled for 9/20 at Brookside
 - Frank requested that we please urge all coaches to attend.
 - Bill Ukropina to help
- Picture Day – Kim
 - Picture day is scheduled for 9/27 with make-ups on 10/11.
- Registrar's Report – Serj
 - Registration Update – Serj advised that there are 2629 players currently registered. He also indicated that there are about 25 more players that have requested registration. He is planning on holding a registration this Saturday but is holding the payments until placement on a team is confirmed.
 - Serj recommended that we take all applicants for all divisions up to U8 and place them on a team.
 - U10 may be adding teams due to increased players.
 - Ivonne needs to know as soon as possible if there are changes to teams that will require additional uniforms.
 - Serj requested that he be advised immediately if a player drops.

Discussion Subjects – 45 min

- RAP – Regional Assessment Programs
 - Al indicated that he has completed the 1st draft of the RAP.
 - He advised everyone to start accumulating the information that will need to be reported on the RAP for next year.
- Season Calendar
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Area 1/C meeting

- Al distributed a copy of the Area 1C Agenda from their July 31, 2014 meeting.
- Another handout was distributed with proposed changes to the Area 1C YDP program. Regions that do not have fields will be charged. Home and away games may not be equal though they will try to give regions home games that may not be on their own fields. Games for blue and red flights will hopefully be played on the same fields. YDP will have 8 scheduled games in U10 – U14, 6 games for upper division, then playoffs. There may be a conflict with the Leo Nedeff games. Upper division will be playing on Sundays with Saturdays possible. All teams will have team referees. U14, U16 and U19 will need one team AR. If there are only 3 games on a field, then the team referees for the last game of the day will referee at the first morning game.

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- Scott reported that all Area referees will have concussion training this year. Last year there was a CDC link and an AYSO link to training. If someone took the CDC training and retained the printout, they need to submit it to have their training record updated.

Review of Action Items

- Board, Coach and Division Coordinator shirts
- Distribution of Coaches' equipment

Open Discussion

- Bill proposed a change to field numbering for Victory Park via email that has already been approved. There was ensuing discussion. Marco pointed out that the maps will need to be revised.
- Bill proposed an additional change to the field numbering at Jackie Robinson.
- *Dan proposed a motion to change the field numbering at Jackie Robinson to have left field be #10, center field be #11 and right field #12 which was seconded by Lynn and unanimously approved.*
- We would like to somehow be able to mark each field number clearly with signs or flags.
- Oak Grove was discussed as it is somewhat confusing for first time parents to locate.
- Al would like to implement coach id badges again. He has access to a system to create the badges and is going to pilot an older division to create them this fall. The coach initially sends Al a photo, Al signs them all, prints them out, laminates and distributes them.
- There was discussion about preparing referee badges as well.
- *Dan proposed a motion to run a pilot program in U14 this year. The motion passed with one opposition and one abstention.*
- It was suggested that next season it might be best to create an additional coach staff position to do this job.
- Several board members received a mailing at their homes from BJ's Brewhouse with AYSO on it. The mailing included advertising and coupons. Al advised that this was handled by National and BJ's was not given our mailing list.
- Serj discovered that we have been paying for internet service for someone else for two years. We will be receiving a credit back. He also indicated that we are paying less for twice the speed now.
- *Steve proposed a motion that was seconded by Frank to disconnect telephone service at the clubhouse. The motion passed with one abstention.*
- There was discussion regarding the fees paid to Athens Services for our trash bin. It was suggested that perhaps we could share with a neighbor. Lynn will contact Athens to discuss our options.
- Ivonne would like to start early in considering all-star uniforms. She may opt to utilize a different vendor. We have been using Soccer One for all-stars and YDP in the past. She would like to order 2 shirts for all-stars. There was ensuing discussion regarding two shirts and it is an option but the fee for all-stars would have to be increased accordingly as the program must pay for itself.
- Dan asked if there was a policy regarding headgear and its use. Per Scott, players can use headgear as long as it is not metal. Heidi indicated that a player on her team had received a concussion and was advised by her doctor not to wear anything.

Next Meeting

- September 4th

Adjournment

Steve proposed a motion to adjourn. Heidi seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 9:21.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Dannhausen