

# AYSO—Region 13 Board Meeting December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 7:00 pm <u>AGENDA</u>

- Call to Order Al
- November minutes approved
- Reports
  - o MST -Pam
  - Year End dinner Pam
  - o Coach's Report Heidi
  - o Referee Report Kareem
  - o Financial Report Angel
  - Team Managers Kelly
  - o Sponsorships Chris
  - o Fields Marco / John
  - o Section 1 Roadshow Al
- Open Discussion
  - Playoffs
  - USSF changes
    - Age cut/off
    - Heading the ball
  - Oxford water bill
  - o 2016/2017 Nominating Committee
- Area 1/C Agenda / Meeting
- Review of Action Items
- Next Meeting
  - o January 7th
- Adjourn

## **AYSO REGION 13**

## **Board of Directors' Minutes**

# December 3, 2015

Call to Order: Al Prado called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. In attendance were: Al Prado, Angel Mazariegos, Anne Tipton, Bill Owen, Chris Mc Donald, Heidi Taylor, Ivonne Penichet, John Sweet, Kareem Badaruddin, Kelly Leyva, Kevin Cuxil, Kim Fitzgerald, Marco Quezada, Neil Weinberger, Pam Vigil, and Vic Gutierrez.

**November:** The minutes were previously approved via email.

**Revision to November Minutes:** Marco clarified that improvements to Muir North will permanently close portions of the field. Region 13 will still have access to 2 areas at Muir North.

#### **REPORTS**

Oxford Water Bill – Al reported that emails back and forth between the parties have not yet resolved the issue of payment, and that Dan Jeffries will assist Region 13 in settling on a reasonable dollar amount, or litigation if need be.

**MST** – Pam thanked everyone who helped with the tournament. She reported that 94 teams played, and that she received lots of positive feedback. She also reported that she received a few complaints of debris on the fields in spite of our efforts at clean-up before games began.

She reported that the tournament brought in about \$25,000 and that there is various merchandise left over (beanie hats, sunglasses, etc.) Pam reminded the Board to submit any invoices they may have for the tournament.

Pam reported that the Referee refund system worked very well. About 40 refund checks were issued. Only 9 teams (of 200) have not yet turned in their cards.

She reported that she will begin to plan the Bill Owen Spring Tournament and will need dates from Marco, and that March 19 and 20 will not work.

**Year End Dinner** – Pam reported that the online link to RSVP has had 86 respondents thus far. She asked that Heidi, Kareem and Kelly send another email reminder to their volunteers about the December 9 deadline to RSVP. She reported that a podium, mics and the pianist are arranged. The Dinner is set for Monday 12/14 at Brookside Country Club, Cocktails from 6:00-7:00, and Dinner at 7:15.

**Uniforms** – Ivonne reported that she will order All Stars uniforms early next week, and should receive them before the end of the year. Ivonne reported that she is working with Pam and they plan to get the sweatshirts and uniforms bundled as player "kits" for distribution to All Stars coaches.

Ivonne reported that she has had serious problems with the vendor Score this season and that she will not be using them for All Stars uniforms. She plans on using Zeeni for All Stars and YDP. There was general discussion about this vendor's limited style selection and ability to do large orders.

Ivonne reported that is collecting MST uniforms from the teams and will store them until they can be repurposed next Fall.

Pam asked that Heidi inform All Stars coaches to get their players sizes by December 19<sup>th</sup>, and that Heidi get Pam that information to her on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Pam will then order sweatshirts for the teams. There was general discussion about waiting to order additional spirit wear as the players' sweatshirts are the most important item. Heidi will contact coaches via email to alert them to get their players sizes.

**Coach's Report** – Heidi Taylor was present and reviewed her email report: Grad Series

There will be 10 girl teams and 10 boy teams. Launch led Soccerama is scheduled for Sunday, January 10. Soccerama is a clinic for U8 players on how to play soccer. Practice will begin the week of January 10<sup>th</sup> with one team practice and one Launch led practice. Games will begin on Saturday, January 16. The season will run every Saturday through February 28 with games will be held at Muir North and (perhaps) Muir South. A U10 badge is required to coach. Training will be available at the Road Show in Arcadia on Saturday, January 9. Each team will be required to have 2 referees with Basic training. Training will be available at the Road Show on January 9. As part of the Grad Series, Region 13 will have a referee mentor at games. The fee will be \$90.

There was general discussion about Region 13 losing money on Grad Series last year, as the registration fee was too low. It was generally agreed that the fee needs to be around \$107 per player in order for the Region to break even. Neil will create a hot button for Grad Series on our website, and Al will send an e-blast that will include information about ref classes at Section 1 Road Show on January 9.

#### Play Through Teams

Region 13 Play-through meeting is Tuesday, December 15th.

2015 League Champions (Team A) are:

BU14: Steve Burns

GU12: Neil Weinberger

GU14: Wayne Page

BU10: Danielle Walker

BU12: Steve Balian

**GU10**: Anastassios Petropoulos

Team B will be the playoff champion for each division.

Play-Through Tournament will be played the December 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> with a few games on the 17th.

#### All Stars

Teams are being selected this week and next with GU14 on December 16<sup>th</sup>. The list below reflects the current number of teams (with additions to last month's list):

BU10 - 8 teams

GU10 - 7 teams

BU12 - 7 teams

GU12 - 4 teams

BU14 - 3 teams

GU14 - 3 teams

## **Trophies and Pins**

All U10 – U14 trophies and pins have been delivered to the clubhouse and are available for pick up. Heidi is very happy with the overall look of the medals and pins, which incorporates elements of the new Region 13 logo designed by Mark Evans. Coaches who have completed their team ratings are free to pick up. Kelly will be at the Clubhouse on Monday 12/7 from 7 to 8:30pm for trophy pick up.

**Referee's Report** – Kareem led discussion about a marked lack of refs this year, and stated that several teams have no refs this year. It was noted that games get covered, but there are instances of no set ref for some teams. There was discussion about whether the Region 13 website might have a glitch that doesn't list all teams, and possible data entry problems.

Kareem reported that there are many refs he'd like to acknowledge at the Year End Dinner ceremonies. There was discussion about the possibility of tie-breakers and participation awards. It was agreed that all should be recognized without tie-breakers: Award everyone who did 5 or more games, this would be about 14 people.

There was discussion about the large number of U6, U7 and U8 youth refs, and Kareem and Heidi suggested that youth refs be recognized for their volunteerism, perhaps at next year's Dinner.

Kareem stated that he would like to encourage more participation in upcoming ref classes and wants email U8 families prior to January's Soccerama to alert them as to class schedules. Al will assist as the event approaches.

**Financial Report** – Angel Mazariegos reported that the Fall fees and Sponsorship contributions have been tallied. She reported \$330,000 in Registration fees for Fall, which reflects a profit of about \$146,000 (once uniforms have been paid for). Sponsorship contributions are lower than last year. There was general discussion about how Region 13 can invest the profits back into the players and programs, while still considering expenses such as fields and lighting in the future. It was suggested the Region could add more programs and clinics that are well received by the community.

Angel will report the MST numbers when she has that information.

**Team Managers** – Kelly Leyva reported that most trophies have been picked up. She will have an additional pick-up day at the Clubhouse on Monday 12/7 from 7 to 8:30pm. Kelly will email Team Managers a reminder to RSVP for the Year-End Dinner.

**Sponsorships** – Chris McDonald reported that he sent a friendly reminder about making Sponsorship contributions, and the Region has collected about \$19,646 thus far. This is lower than last year due largely to our less aggressive approach to collecting the funds. Chris will order Sponsorship plaques next week.

**Fields** – Marco Quezada reported that he has had a request from Muir High School for Region 13 to relamp Muir North. It will cost about \$9,000. There was discussion about other upcoming field maintenance expenses and it was agreed that the Board will consider the request and respond at a future date.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

**Playoffs** – Al reported that playoffs are scheduled for this weekend and on Sat 12/12, with Championship on 12/13. There are many coaches with two or more teams.

**Blue Sombrero** — Al reported that EAYSO is entering into a partnership with Blue Sombrero for registration, scheduling, etc., but there are not many details as of yet, more will come at the Section EXPOS.

## **USSF Changes**

<u>Age Cut-Off</u> - Al reported that new age cut-off guidelines have not yet been made available. There are no changes for the current year, and are not likely until the 2016/17 season. One potential issue with the age cut-off change might be that older 7s will be U10 players and therefor miss entry in Grad Series.

<u>Heading the Ball</u> – Al reported that players 10 and under may not head the ball, and that AYSO mandates that the player gets a yellow card if it happens. There are no details yet from AYSO, as they are working out the impact and changes to the curriculum with US Soccer and the other youth soccer programs. Anticipate details at the EXPO. There was general discussion about how to discourage younger players from performing this technique.

**2016/2017 Board Nominating Committee** – Al reported that his term as Regional Commissioner ends in March, and that Kareem will lead a Nominating Committee to select and evaluate the person(s) selected to be the next RC. The vote will likely take place in January.

There was discussion about whether the Board of Directors should expand voting privileges to include more volunteers/committee members. Angel and Neil will draft language and guidelines for such expansion and present them at the next Board meeting.

Area 1C Agenda / Meeting – Al distributed the Area 1C November meeting agenda.

Miscellaneous - Al reported that he sent an e-blast to U10, U12 and U14 volunteers to clarify the goal-keeping rules, along with a reminder of our good sportsmanship policy and a copy of the regional guidelines. Our guidelines state that only 2 quarters are allowed for U10. Abuse of this rule will result in the forfeit of the game. Refs can report the abuse, but are not expected to enforce the rule. The Region will do so if it is reported. For U12 and U14, only 2 quarters are encouraged, but really there are no limits for these age groups.

#### **REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS**

- Heidi, Kareem and Kelly will send reminder emails about the Year End dinner to their respective volunteers.
- Neil will set up a Hot Button for Grad Series.
- Al will send an e-blast about Grad Series.
- Heidi will email All Stars coaches to alert them to get their players sizes for sweatshirts.
- Heidi will get the size information to Pam for sweatshirt orders.
- Angel will report the MST numbers when she has all the data.
- Chris will order Sponsor plaques next week.
- Kim will check with Nobu for status on coach plaques.
- Angel and Neil will draft language and guidelines for increasing the voting number of Board members and will present them at the next Board meeting.

**NEXT MEETING** – January 7<sup>th</sup>

**ADJOURN** – Al proposed a motion to adjourn that was seconded by Angel. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Fitzgerald



# Area 1C Agenda,

# November 19, 2015 Du-Pars, Pasadena, @ 7pm



- 1. Call to Order Jane
  - Approve minutes for October
- 2. Upper Division: Peter
  - Volunteers needed: 11/21-11/22-Monitor free substitutions in Chino U16/U19
- Referee Report: Scott
- 4. Treasurer Report- Frank
  - Invoices emailed out
- 5. League Play through and All-Stars Craig
  - Final team numbers deadline
  - Needs fields
- National:
  - US Soccer Mandates August 2017 Small sided games and field sizes Calendar year registration
- 7. Section:
  - Nominations for Region of year
  - Volunteer of the year
- 8. Area Report
  - P & Ps- Addendums Mandatory
  - Volunteers needed EXTRA playoffs being hosted by 214- Jan 30/31, 2016
  - Succession Planning for AD
  - VIP Donation to Section VIP fund
- Regional Reports: Reports attached
  - · Additional comments
- 10. New Business
- 11. Adjourn

## Calender and Due Dates to Area

Next Meeting – November 19th Area League playoffs

Arcadia Roadshow

Playoffs - U16-U19/VIP

U10-U14 League U10-U14 All Stars

**EXTRA** 

Christmas Party

EXPO - Ontario

State Games

December 19/20

January 8/10

Chino- November 21/22

Riverside - February, 27/28

Riverside - February 20/21

TBD

December 4

April 1-3, 2016

March 19/20 Bullhead City