

**AYSO REGION 13**  
**Board of Directors' Minutes**  
**March 3, 2016**

**Call to Order:** Al Prado called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. In attendance were: Adam Yatsko, Al Prado, Angel Mazariegos, Anne Tipton, Chris McDonald, Dan Jeffries, Heidi Taylor, Ivonne Penichet, John Sweet, Kelly Leyva, Kevin Chun, Kim Fitzgerald, Mark Evans, Neil Weinberger, Serj Stepanian, Steve Hawkins, Vic Gutierrez and others.

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

**REPORTS**

**Coach's Report** – Heidi reviewed her emailed report:

All Stars - All Stars will conclude this weekend with playoffs for the Regional and most of the Area teams. Sectional teams and a few Area and Region divisions have already completed. Region 13 did well and was competitive in each division. Most Sectional teams ended in the top four and we had many teams heading into the playoffs this weekend from Area and Regional teams in the top positions. David Way's BU14 team won the Area championships.

Grad Series - Grad Series concluded the last weekend of February. Ratings have been collected and medals handed out. I did not hear many complaints, but think we can do a better job next year of supporting the players, coaches and referees. There needs to be a more hands-on approach with a Grad Series Coordinator and a Grad Series Referee Coordinator along with the U8 DCAs. A point person who can be actively available to attend games and check in with the coaches and referees should be found.

YDP - All teams are formed and created in eAYSO. We were able to place most on-time registrants, but did have to turn away a few players for lack of teams on which to place them. We also had many late registering players turned away. All teams have proper referee teams with the exception on one GU14, which is being worked out by our referee staff. March 19th and 20th is the start to the seasons, which will run through mid-May. Uniforms have been ordered and are expected to arrive by March 14th.

**YDP Schedule**

March 19/20 – YDP Season Opening Weekend  
(U10/12/14- Saturdays UD- Sundays)

March 26/27 – Easter Weekend – No games

April 2/3 – YDP Weekend #2

April 9/10 – YDP Weekend #3

April 16/17 – YDP Weekend #4

April 23/24 – Bill Owen Spring Break Tournament

April 30/May 1 – YDP Weekend #5

May 7/8 – Red Flight Playoffs and Blue Flight/UD Games

May 14/15 – Semis and Finals Red/Blue and UD

Open 2016/2017 DCA positions:  
U5, BU6, GU6, GU7

2016 YDP Coaches

GU10

Chris Matarese - Blue Flight  
John Sweet - Red Flight  
James Van Slyke - Red Flight  
Tom Walklett – Red Flight  
Andrew Negrin – Red Flight

BU10

Stuart Chant - Blue Flight  
Steve Pereria - Red Flight  
Alex Backer - Red Flight  
Jay Sanders - Red Flight  
Jeff Ragusa - Red Flight

GU12

Francis Owku - Blue Flight  
Jared Becker - Blue Flight  
Dimitris Menmenlis - Red Flight  
Neil Weinberger - Red Flight

BU12

Alex Trejo - Blue Flight  
Lee Petherbridge - Red Flight  
Adrian Kalvinskas - Red Flight  
Joao Teixeira - Red Flight  
Gerardo Alvarez- Red Flight

GU14

Vinh Nguyen - Blue Flight  
Doug Bassett - Red Flight

BU14

Michael Haynes - Blue Flight  
Steven Cook - Red Flight  
Steve Burns - Red Flight

UD

GU16 Heidi Taylor  
BU16 Adam Yatsko  
BU16 Peter Wilson

Heidi reported that she especially needs help finding U5 coordinator(s). A Launch Coordinator is also needed. There was general discussion about soliciting volunteers for these positions at upcoming registration days. Heidi reported that Kevin Cuxil is doing well in his recovery and will likely be returning to Region 13 as a coach instructor.

There was general discussion about Launch program and whether Region 13 should continue to offer it. Heidi reported there is a lack of interest and that coaches are not using the launch trainers to improve their skills as coaches. It was agreed that Region 13 could better inform coaches on how they should use the launch trainers.

**Referee's Report** – Kevin Chun was welcomed by the Board, and reported that a successful Ref staff meeting was held last week. He reported that All Stars is going well and that Bruce is scheduling refs very effectively. He reported that qualifying and team refs have been submitted for YDP, but that some still need certification (safe haven, concussion, etc.).

Al reported that the new rule on Heading the Ball will now be enforced for U10 (including YDP and upcoming tournaments), and in the Fall for U12 and U11 Extra. Area 1C will soon announce the ruling along with the details. Until then, the Board generally agreed that no serious enforcement is necessary at present - discouragement of the technique is enough for now. Al reported that once full enforcement is in place an indirect free kick will be awarded if opposing team deliberately heads the ball.

Steve Hawkins offered to spearhead the rewriting of coach and ref guidelines for Region 13 when National comes out with its publications on the new rules. Heidi and Neil also offered to assist and review.

**Financial Report** – Angel reported that All Stars checks are in and confirmed that they may be deposited, along with Launch, Grad Series, and team sponsorship monies. There was general discussion about how to handle bounced checks. The Board agreed that a phone call should be placed to those families.

Angel reported that Region 13 collected about \$31,100 for All Stars, and that the program ran at a loss of about \$6,000 this year, a big expense being \$24,000 for uniforms and sweatshirts. Angel reported that Region 13 has lost money (about \$2,000) on Grad Series this year (we collected \$9,590.00). It was agreed to revisit the idea of raising the registration fee for the program to \$105 next year.

Angel led discussion on the need for an improved refund process for registration fees collected. At present refunds must be cleared through Angel, Serj, Al, and the DCAs. She would like to see a more streamlined and automated process by Fall registration. Al will research some ideas and work with Angel to improve the process.

**Fields** – John presented a request from coaches (with coach Alex Backer in attendance) that the goals at Muir North be on the fields for YDP practices. The Board agreed this is fine, and there was general discussion as to how coaches (and parents) can access the storage bins and set up and break down the goals, and reference to the “how-to” video on the Region 13 website.

John reported that YDP has the use of 3 fields, Muir North, Central and South, and that for the rest of YDP Muir Central is available on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Central will be heavily shared with Villa Park, HS football and La Crosse, so please report any encroachment.

John offered special recognition for volunteer Tom Sobota for his work on maintaining the portable lighting generators at Muir. Tom will also help find a service to fuel the generators.

Via email Marco reported the following: All field lighting generators are running, thanks to Tom Sobota, who is trying to find a fuel service for the equipment, but this type of service typically involves driving up to the units, which we cannot do. Tom will determine if this can be avoided by using a service that can walk the fuel in cans to the lights. Marco will price new lamps that are needed.

Marco further reported that Muir fields are being used to practice for YDP. HS soccer will be off until Mid-May, so we have the use of Muir Central Mon - Fri 7:30- 9:15 PM. He reported that Region 13 will be sharing Muir and PHS turf fields during YDP with Villa Park (City program), Sunday Girls Villa Park, Lacrosse at night, and HS Football. This is a different arrangement than in years past, but it should work out fine.

Marco reported that Shirley is checking with the school's Superintendent about permanent lights for the south side of Muir North. We are hoping to get approval due to the loss of Muir North due to the baseball field on Muir North. Marco will send a follow up email next week.

Marco reported that permits are procured from City of La Canada, and Pasadena applications are completed and will be turned in shortly.

**EXPO** – Al reminded the Board that AYSO Expo is being held in Ontario, CA on April 1, 2 and 3, and encouraged the Board to attend. He reminded the Board that appropriate hotel expenses will be reimbursed, and to act fast as rooms are booking up.

**BOSC** – Al reported on behalf of Pam that the Tournament is scheduled for April 23 and 24, and Pam has submitted the paperwork, which Dan Jeffries now signed.

**Galaxy Tickets** – Al reported that Region 13 has Galaxy tickets for Board Members, which include 4 seats and free parking. April 10 is YDP night at the Galaxy game and players will be able to attend (Coach and Assistant Coach too). Ticket distribution will be coordinated once YDP teams are formed.

**Sponsorship** – Chris reported that Region 13 collected about \$25,000 in sponsorship donations for 2015. This is about 1/3 of the funds collected in 2014 (about \$65,000) when the team sponsorship donation was required. There was general discussion about the Sponsorship “requirement” and it was agreed it would not be a required contribution and that the structure would change to attract a broader scope of donors and designations. Chris will create a proposal for a new sponsorship structure and report back to the Board.

**Oxford Water Bill** – Al reported that the Region’s previous offer of \$7400 has been rejected. As a Region 13 acknowledgement of responsibility for the water bill has been presented, Al will now offer \$10,000 as payment for the bill.

## OPEN DISCUSSION

**Board Voting Positions** – Al presented proposed Board Positions that will have voting rights. Some positions are not yet filled. There was discussion about what constitutes a quorum (50% plus 1 of the Board), and about whether some positions might be non-Board or non-voting positions instead. It was agreed that all positions listed below should be Board positions with voting responsibilities, and that Board Members should attend meetings especially when an important Motion requires a quorum to pass.

**MOTION** to adopt the below listed Board Positions and Board Members as voting members of the 2016 AYSO Region 13 Board of Directors. *Motion seconded and passed.*

Regional Commissioner	Al Prado
Regional Coach Administrator	Heidi Taylor
Regional Referee Administrator	Kevin Chun
Treasurer	Angel Mazariegos
Registrar	Serj Stepanian
Safety Director	Dan Jeffries
Child and Volunteer Protection Advocate	Neil Weinberger
Secretary	Kim Fitzgerald
Auditor	
Assistant Regional Coach Administrator	Anne Tipton
Upper Division Coordinator	Adam Yatsko
Advanced Play Coordinator	Vinh Huynh

EXTRA Coordinator	Mark Evans
Grad Series Coordinator	
Director of Referee Instruction	Steve Hawkins
Director of Referee Assessment	Bruce Hancock
Fields	John Sweet
Fields Liaison	Marco Quezada
Uniforms	Ivonne Penichet
Region Statistician & Game Scheduler	Bill Owen
Volunteer Coordinator	
Team Manager Coordinator	Kelly Leyva
Communications / Publicity Director	
Tournament Director	Pam Vigil
Special Events Director	Pam Vigil
Sponsorship Director	Chris McDonald
Picture Day Coordinator	Nobu Junge
VIP Coordinator	Vic Gutierrez

**Registration** – Serj reminded the Board that Fall mail-in registration for returning volunteers is opening March 25 (with a cutoff date of 4/16). Walk in registration will be held 4/16, 4/30, and 5/21 (last day of discounted rates), and a last walk-in registration in mid-June if it is deemed necessary. Fees will be the same as last year: early registration is \$135 / \$125 for siblings, \$150 after 5/21. The Region will ask last year’s scholarship recipients to volunteer. Serj asked the expanded Board to help at the registration days. He will order new chip reader credit card machines.

Serj reported that 380 players are registered for YDP.

**AYSO “EXTRA”** – Al fielded many questions about how the Extra program will be run in the Fall. Registration, tryouts and coaches were discussed. Scheduling, team formation and budgets will be addressed in April or May. Mark reported that Region 13’s application for the Extra program has been sent to National. Al reported that National may bring in a new program “AYSO Club” in 2017. Details will be discussed when they are available.

**Clubhouse Clean-Up** – Al reported that a new cleaning person, Trini, has been hired to tidy the Clubhouse once per week. He will soon purchase the new tables and chairs for the Clubhouse. There was general discussion about whether to change the signs on the clubhouse restrooms so they are not gender specific.

**MOTION** to change the restroom signs and designate that the restrooms are for shared use by both genders. *Motion seconded and passed.*

**Other Business** – Al and the Board presented Vic Gutierrez with the personalized version of the perpetual Victor Gutierrez Award (in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the Region 13 coaching program). This award is not an annual award, but, will be presented to a coach that has demonstrated, over time, the excellence in the Region 13 coaching program.

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**Area 1C Agenda** – AI distributed the February 25, 2016 Agenda for the Board's information.

**REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS**

- AI will research ideas for streamlining the registration refund process.
- Chris will create a proposal for a new Sponsorship structure and report to the Board.
- AI email an offer of \$10,000 to settle the Oxford Water Bill.
- Serj will order new chip reader credit card machines for Fall registration.
- AI will order new tables and chairs for the Clubhouse.

**NEXT MEETING** – April 7th

**ADJOURN** – *Motion to adjourn. Seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 P.M.*

Respectfully submitted by Kim Fitzgerald



## AYSO—Region 13 Board Meeting

March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 7:00 pm

### AGENDA

- Call to Order – Al
- February minutes – approved
- Reports
  - Coach's Report – Heidi
    - All-Stars
    - Grad Series
    - YDP
  - Referee Report – Kevin
  - Financial Report – Angel
  - Fields – John/Marco
  - EXPO
  - BOSCA – Pam
  - Galaxy Tickets
  - Sponsorship – Chris
  - Oxford Water - Al
- Open Discussion
  - Board Voting Positions
  - Registration
    - Begin looking for volunteers
    - Last year's scholarships
  - Extra
  - Clubhouse clean-up
    - New cleaning service
- Area 1/C Agenda
- Review of Action Items
- Next Meeting
  - April 7<sup>th</sup>
- Adjourn



# Area 1C Agenda, February 25, 2016 Du-Pars, Pasadena, @ 7pm



1. Call to Order - Jane
  - Approve minutes for January (see attached)
2. Treasurer Report – Frank
3. All-Stars – Craig
4. Referee Report: Scott
  - Heading directive for 10 yrs and younger
5. YDP – Marco
  - Discussion
6. Coach Administrator Report- Mike
7. VIP - Tom
8. Area Report
  - Management Classes
  - National Games deadlines
  - Budgets, guidelines, calendars due
  - EXPO- Boards sign up
  - NAGM- RCs please book
9. Regional Reports: Reports attached
  - Additional comments
10. New Business
11. Adjourn

#### **Calendar and Due Dates to Area**

Next Meeting – March 31, 2016

Playoffs - U10-U14 League

EXPO - Ontario

State Games

NAGM

Riverside - February, 27/28

April 1-3, 2016

March 19/20 Bullhead City

May 27-29