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AYSO Region 92 Board Meeting Minutes January 18, 2019

Board meeting was called to order at 6:03pm

Attendees included: Barry Gribbon, Pat Stanford, Shad McFadden, Kelly Watson, Mark Christian, Bill Jordan, Wil Henriquez and Kim Caruso. Barry served as Secretary and kept the minutes.

A long discussion took place to approve the November board meeting as written. There was some confusion on what had been voted on in relation teams in playoffs and referee points. It was finally determined that the November vote was to uphold referee points as detailed on the website for U12 and U14 teams. Since U14 still needed points and games to play, Barry Gribbon held off the vote on U14 referee points. There is also some confusion on many points were needed based on U14 area play not region play. At the completion of the season, the U14 boys teams were allowed in even without the points stated in the website. It was impossible for them to make the points, but a sub committee determined it was going to allow the U14 teams into the playoffs. Many at the January meeting agree this was a mistake and to be avoided in the future.

November meeting were passed as is. Pat made a motion, Bill second and passed 4 yes, 2 abstain.

December minutes were passed with a stipulation to change a typo. That has been changed and passed by all.

Motion made by Kelly Watson that no 14U team in the future go to playoffs without meeting the required referee points. 5 yes, 1 no

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

REFEREE ADMINISTRATOR – Wil Henriquez

Missing 3 AR in TOC total, tough but got it covered. All Stars will be another challenge to get referees. Mark spoke up that the shifts were hard to fill with the limited options region 92 is assigned. He has a child on an all star team so schedules get tight. Discussed need for 10U point in Spring.

TREASURER – Barry on behalf of Tom Norton

A brief financial report was provided. No worries to stay close to operating budget for fiscal year.

ASST RC REPORTS: -- Pat Stanford (see notes in Reg Commissioner section as well)

Use the same goals in area tournament play as the regular season for Region 92. We need new cases for storing the goals. He is concerned about Spring Field time allotment.

CVPA/REFEREE TRAINING – Mark Christian

I new volunteer cleared. Marc is setting up referee classes and they will be held at a BizHaus. Dates set for March and April but unsure if April dates are needed at this time. The area holds the coaches meeting

REGISTRAR'S REPORT – Bill Jordan

Spring sign ups are live and working. Looking into Flyers for the schools and more emails and FB posts to get kids registered. Bill will limit the number of registrars per division to not have too many kids while we learn about field space.

He will also soon set up the Fall 2019 season in Blue Sombrero.

RISK MANAGEMENT / SAFETY DIRECTOR – Shad McFadden

Nothing to report.

TEAM PHOTO ADMINISTRATOR – Kim Caruso

All Star photo day in the works. Kim will book a location with the city.

PROGRAMS/COACH ADMINISTRATOR – Kelly Watson

1. Arcadia Roadshow Training Jan 5/6 – At least one coach got Intermediate Certified
2. Annual Survey Results – Kelly presented the annual survey results in a powerpoint. Here is a summary of the key comments:

Better balanced teams – G7U, B10U, G10U, B12U, G12U, B14U divisions were not balanced – someone said G12U better balanced than in past

Pay for referees so parents don't have to volunteer - Should be a buy-out option for referee volunteers like in little league

Referee points was not well communicated or fairly enforced

Volunteer expectations too high – training too taxing, etc.

Too many younger age group kids on one team

Wish that the age years could correspond with grades at school so kids can play with their friends

Wish there were not 2 year age groups which sometimes spans 3 grades in school

Communicate practice and game schedule earlier, game schedule hard to find on website

Bigger rosters so we don't have to play short when kids are out

Parents shouldn't referee their own kids' games

Jamboree needs to rotate parent coaches better – same ones stepped up every week

Jamboree needs more training on goal-scoring, not just on ball skills

U6 coaches need more direction and support

Too many emails make “white noise” nobody reads vs Liked all of the emails this year

Out of our control, and generally 50/50 on positive versus negative feedback:

Blue Sombrero is very difficult for some people to understand, navigate

Player Development Initiatives – “real soccer” – U10 goals too small, wish they could throw in at 8U or have goalkeepers (mostly parents who have been here before, though.)

3. All player ratings added to Fall 2018 except U6 and U7 divisions – awaiting spreadsheets from commissioners

4. Succession – Still no takers but I need to transition out. Could use some help finding candidates.

REGIONAL COMMISSIONER – Barry Gribbon

For next year, we need to recruit an All-Star division commissioner. Much of the work falls on the RC. The process needs to start sooner and wrap up faster.

Shade covers at Campus update (per Dean): we have been consulting with the City on designs – it is going to City Council on 12/18 to approve it; plan is to complete construction by the end of June.

We need more dedicated board members. Kelly is not returning and Barry asked all current board members to stay on the team. Barry will send out outreach for more volunteers including Spring help and train for Fall duties.

Coverage is needed for all star games at Campus. As host we need to make sure our equipment is set up and cleaned up. Need help with that.

Discussion about upcoming background check fees and new Member fee were explained.

Barry gave an update from the Sports Council Meeting and explanation of Inclement Weather Policy.

Barry asked for volunteers to attend EXPO training in late March in San Diego.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Upcoming region meetings:

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:25pm.

Next meeting will be held on Feb. 18, 2019 at 7:00pm at Grimaldi's.