

## **AYSO Region 10 Board Meeting Minutes**

**Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

In Attendance – D. Benedetti, Pamela Bernier, D. Capozzola, G. Ferguson, R. Govenar, J. Ignacio, J. Jacobson, JJ Lantz, T. Lantz, R. Lin, A. Lem, S. Mastan, E. Mendez, W. Murdoch, R. Murdock, S. Nozaki, D. Olson, D. Roberson, T. Scotto, A. Siegel, W. Welch, M. Wolff.

Minutes – The minutes for the November 2019 meeting were approved.

Welcome/ Introductions/ Goals: Our new RC Wendy Murdoch welcomed our new Coach Administrator Tony Scotto who is stepping into Jodi Council's position as he moved out of state. Current board members present introduced themselves and provided one interesting non soccer related fact about themselves. Enough material for J. Jacobson's next banquet song...

Open Positions: We are currently in need of D/C's for the following divisions; G8U, B7U, B6U, G6U and U5 and Winter Coordinator. We also need a new Treasure as Richard would like to retire after 14 years on the Board.

Budget: R. Govenar provided report from recent Budget meeting held last month. We have projected a breakeven for upcoming season. Our fiscal year ends Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, which is different from National's fiscal year which ends in June. Our prior RC Bob Caseras has yet to submit his expenses from prior 2 years. Player fees will be a flat \$125 for U5 and \$175 for early bird this season. EXTRA fee will be \$290/player for fall 2020. We had approved medals instead of Trophies last year for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams in U9 and up. Somehow this message was lost in translation and Jeff Nolan ended up ordering trophies as usual hence the cost was a little more than budgeted for last year. This fall we will only have medals for competitive divisions U9 and up with participation trophies for U8 and under. This should make a considerable savings in the budget. National's volunteer fee of \$25.00 / volunteer was not charged for any volunteer that submitted their form prior to April. Only a handful of volunteers asked for a refund. Our winter program has been profitable. Challenger coaches were a wash.

Registration: E. Mendez reported our first Walk in registration date is set for April 25<sup>th</sup>. We will add a second date this year; May 16<sup>th</sup>. Both dates will be from 12:00 – 15:00. Banners will be up in March at all schools, backpack flyers will be sent to schools and lawn signs will be ordered. Please take one at next meeting and display in your yard.

Area: W. Murdoch reported both our B10U & G10U teams won their Area playoffs and will be going on to Sectionals in Riverside. Founders Cup is scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. We are requested to provide volunteers. It will be held at Columbia Park and the Toyota Center fields. EXPO is set for March 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> in Anaheim. All board members are encouraged to attend. Per Area the reason the volunteer fee is so high is due to the background check being an ongoing monthly monitoring of each volunteer and not just a one time check. Hence the cost associated with this more comprehensive service comes at a higher cost. We will still reimburse any volunteer who provides Richard with the online receipt for having paid it. Simply forward the e-mail receipt to him. Area has requested Board members attend their training at the National office on Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Jason South has replaced Jim Zagala as the new Area Director.

Measure PV: Rumors are circulating online on FB as well as NextDoor that we are receiving kickback in the form of new turf fields paid by the school district if bond Measure PV passes. This is not true. We have made donations to the school district every year for several years. There will be no turf fields' given to us regardless of measure passing or not.

Referee – Playoff Participation Policy: Stefan Boedeker who ref:ed the most games in our Region last year has agreed to join the Board as our new Referee Coordinator. He was unable to attend the first meeting. A. Siegel reviewed the new policy which was a compilation of several suggestions made during our last season. D/C's will have some flexibility in how the points are assigned as each division has their own unique requirements. Ref's may sign up online 4 weeks in advance – this cap is intended to prevent Refs from taking over all the spots in one division and hence preventing some teams from accumulating points in their own division. Teams involved in playoffs will continue to accumulate points in order to go to King/Queen of the Hill. The new playoff point system was approved. The Intermediate Referee class held last week had 7 participants.

Select/EXTRA: B. Murdock reported we currently have 65 teams registered for our Spring Select which is starting next weekend. This number is down from 78 last year. W. Murdoch informed us EXTRA application will be sent out shortly to all current Select coaches and DC's U11 and up.

UK camps/Skills: UK no longer has VISA issues for their coaches'. They will be helping with our Spring Select, running the summer camp and or fall season again as our Challenger costs were a too high last year. For our Fall 2021 season we will have both UK and Challenger give us bids.

Galaxy Game: Our board Galaxy game is this upcoming Saturday Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> at 15:00. The fall player Galaxy game will be in September. We'll be buying a few more tickets than last year & offering them for purchase during online registration – which will open on Sports Connect (formerly know as Blue Sombrero) on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

New Business – Opening Day/Photo Day will be Aug 29<sup>th</sup> with no games that day. School will be in session but Labor Day will prevent the first games to take place until 2 weeks after Photos. All DC's are encouraged to schedule friendlies on Sep 19<sup>th</sup> due to Rosh Hashanah. Board members should all get registered on Sports Connect ASAP! M. Wolff reported that winter soccer is coming to an end this weekend. Bathrooms have been the biggest problem this season with an insane amount of paper towels shoved in the toilets.

Next meeting is March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.