

AYSO BOARD MEETING MINUTES October 4, 2022
8628 Utica Ave. #800
Rancho Cucamonga, CA

CALL TO ORDER: 6:35 p.m.

PRESENT: Nancy Cooper, Alex Baro, Joey Catuara, Mark Cummings, Bill Drayer, Maria Gassner, Mike Gassner, Ismael Gonzalez, Sean Kelly, Charlie Kinsey, Ivan Monso, Rosalind Morton, Sandie Oerly, Ari Ruiz, Lisa Smith, Pat Smith, Terri Smith, DJ Yoder, Kristine Yoder

PRESENTATIONS: Alex Baro: Distributed and reviewed the documents and process for Select Team tryouts and the Select coach application. Discussion followed. He also presented two new styles for board shirts. Coaches' shirts have been distributed.

APPROVALS:

Approval of September 12, 2022 minutes - Motions by Joey and Ari. Minutes approved with no corrections.

Approval of August and September 2022 Region Financials - August financials - motions by Joey and Ari. August financials were approved. September's were not sent out yet - will approve them at November's meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COACH ADMIN REPORT: Mark - He held a coach staff meeting last week to discuss coaches' conduct. He wants to fix the coach staff email to make it more accessible. He also wants to get pictures on badges for Spring, but there are no Spring pictures. Nancy wants to hold a coaches' meeting prior to spring and pictures can be taken then. He is still trying to get coaches' certifications, mostly for the assistants. He needs divisionals to identify the coaches so they can get them certified early.

Coaches' conduct is starting out poorly, even in practice games. Coaches are having a difficult time controlling their sidelines. They have been cautioned in writing. If they do it again, there will be consequences. He wants to combine U10 and U12 coaching clinics to get the assistants certified and may do one more combined U10/U12 class here.

REGISTRAR REPORT: Joey - (Filling in for registrar) - There are still some names on the waitlist in some divisions. He will be training three new registrars, Rosalind, Kristine, and Staci, on Thursday via Zoom. We need to decide what we want to charge for Spring and when to open registration.

REFEREE REPORT: Joey - We have 86 new referees. There is an Intermediate/advanced ref clinic on October 22 and 23.

UNIFORMS REPORT: Alex got positive feedback on the countries and styles. Uniforms were distributed quickly.

PRACTICE SCHEDULER REPORT: Nancy for Donny - We would like to move teams to Red Hill and Beryl so teams can have lights.

EXTRA REPORT: Mike - Teams are mid-season. Region 65 is very competitive with other regions. Parents, players, and coaches seem to be having a good time. Some teams in other regions did not stop playing during COVID as we did, but we are still winning many games.

BALANCED TEAMS: Nancy - She wants to form a balanced team committee. Spring is a good time to brainstorm ideas. Email Nancy if you are interested in serving on that committee. She would like to start it next week.

AREA PLAY FOR UPPER DIVISIONS - We are hosting 16G playoffs on 10/22, 10/26, 10/29

National is starting a second lottery. U12 boys are already in.

NEW BUSINESS:

Spring field allocations: Nancy submitted our request. She contacted Rick Fontana from baseball who will work with us to try to get Church or Heritage so we can have lit fields. Help is needed getting equipment to and from the fields and painting, making sure sand is at the fields, and checking the EZ ups. We need to add a position for a Field Equipment volunteer.

Lawn mower - Schools won't let us mow the fields, and the grass around Church is high. The city is supposed to take care of that. Think about how we can use the lawn mower.

Do we want to pay to paint the fields at the beginning of the season? Upland does - their coaches don't paint. The estimate is \$1,400, but we will try to get it down to \$900.

Sponsor money to team vs region: One sponsor didn't understand that the sponsor money goes to the region and not the team. Sandie thinks money should go to the region. Do not encourage paying for goals scored because it encourages ball hogging and soccer is supposed to be a team sport. Sandie suggested we make a motion that teams do not collect money at the game sites. Joey and Ari motioned. Motion passed. Joey will send an email to coaches.

Founder's Day parade - November 12 - Kelly is coordinating that and signed us up. It's optional. The Sparks like to participate. We received an email from the city about Trunk n Treat from 2-6 p.m. at Hamilton's Family Brewery. Arrive at 1:00 p.m. to decorate your car and wear your costume. The board decided not to participate because Hamilton's is too small.

AYSO needs a region to host the lower division area playoffs - Upland won't do it this year because they don't want to play. It's at night, so we would have to use Beryl and Red Hill. They need six fields. The board decided that we will host the games.

Discussion occurred regarding our own fall playoffs - Sandie needs to know what format we will be using and the dates. Sandie recommends following the same pool play format as in previous years. Motions by Lisa and Patrick. Motion passes.

We need to promote our VIP program. They usually have a potluck but that requires a lot of time and money from parents. Nancy reserved the taco man for \$1800 at Carnelian so everyone can enjoy themselves.

Donna finished the audit and we passed. Even though we had an audit last year, we were required to have one again this year because we changed Regional Commissioners.

We are paying \$1.25/player (\$2,800) to cover area play.

We are changing our app from Zipbooks to QuickBooks because Zipbooks is retiring.

OPEN FORUM:

Sandie - U6 and U8 - asking if we will make up games they missed. Sandie is trying to schedule make-ups in the evening or on Sunday afternoons, or play the following week November 19 or December 3.

Needs volunteers at ALJH on October 15 to help monitor fields.

NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME: November 7, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:25 p.m.

Submitted by Maria Gassner, Region Secretary