

**AYSO REGION 86  
BOARD MEETING**

***FEBRUARY 7, 2007  
VMCC – LEGION HALL***

Those in attendance of the February 7<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting were:

Max Brown	Richard Graham
Gareth Butler	Hillary Hilleman
Alan Caserio	Ed Kaufman
Tammy Caserio	Danny Melita
Denise Coury	Ed Ornelas
Dusty Dvorak	Sarah Pearlman
Wendi Dvorak	Tiffany Reinsch
Jeff Elghanayan	Nick Ross
Shawn Graf	

**Commencement of Meeting**

The February Board meeting commenced at 7:07 p.m. upon a motion by Tiffany Reinsch and a second by Richard Graham.

**Review and Approval of January Minutes**

Alan asked if anybody had any corrections to the January Minutes; there were none noted. Tiffany motioned for approval of the January Minutes with a second by Ed Ornelas, followed by unanimous approval.

**Spring Select '07**

*Player Fees:* Alan indicated that there's not much to say except that the \$75 player fee is plenty to cover field expenses, uniforms and the Area fee, which leaves a comfortable balance for the ref program (i.e. long sleeve shirts, incentives, etc.) We must treat refs nicely in order to entice and retain them.

Many Spring Select players have not submitted their fees. Alan indicated that player fees must be received by February 14<sup>th</sup> in order to get the completed roster to the Area on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Alan reiterated that if a Spring Select player did not play in the fall, a player registration form must be completed. If the form is a copy, it must have a wet signature, preferably in blue ink.

*Uniforms:* Spring Select coaches were asked to keep uniform expense to a maximum cost of \$25/player set. Alan emphasized that uniform orders must get to Tammy tonight, or coach is on his own.

*Volunteer Registration:* Alan compiled a spreadsheet with coach and referee names. He indicated that it's best to complete volunteer registration form online. There are volunteers who have not completed their registration. Hillary provided the names of volunteers without completed registrations.

*Mandatory Area Meetings:* Coaches' Meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m., possibly at El Toro High School. Referees' Meeting on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Refer to Area website for confirmed dates. Roll will be taken at the meetings to ensure region participation.

Safe Haven training is available online if you have are on eAYSO and are registered as a volunteer. We must be accountable to the Area for Safe Haven information from our region.

*Spring Select Season Format:* Alan attended regional commissioners' caucus. Discussed were many aspects of the Spring Select program. Alan was opposed to many issues as a result of their being too comprehensive and complicated. All games will count. There will be eight Saturday games and two Sunday games on an average weekend. Alan recommended that all involved in Spring Select check the website during ski week for schedules.

*Tournaments:* No tournament entry is permitted until Spring Select season is over, per Area regulations.

*Field Permits:* Only Moulton Meadows is available during the week. May be able to negotiate other fields later on. Thurston is available all day Sunday. A roundtable discussion took place negotiating practice slots.

Danny suggested that some sort of practice protocol be established to preserve the fields, such as the goals not being put in place during practices (only for games). Alan asked Ed Ornelas to send broadcast email to coaches with suggestions.

### **Budget '07**

Alan distributed the proposed 2007/2008 Region 86 Budget, which assumes 1,000 players at \$110/player fee. He indicated that there's "plenty of buffer in the budget" to accommodate individual requests. Ed Ornelas motioned for approval of the budget and a second by Richard Graham, followed by unanimous approval.

### **Fall '07 Format**

Alan asked Gareth to obtain permits for registration dates in April and June. Alan asked Board meeting attendees to review the calendar and advise of any conflicts.

*U5 and U6:* No format changes, as last year. Uniform jerseys need to be reversible so that they can form teams every week.

*U8:* Area and regional commissioners' caucus suggested uniformity at this level. Use modified offside rule and back up into U7 and U8. Alan agrees with implementing offside at this level for teaching/-learning benefits moving up into higher divisions. Alan likes U7 and U8 division because he feels player participation as far as ball possession is more likely. Most of the other regions are doing this.

*U10:* There is serious consideration about dividing U10 division into U9 and U10. Some regional commissioners would like to do away with the All Stars program completely. A compromise was to abbreviate the All Stars program, which would result in the consolidation into one weekend of play instead of two. No uniforms would be purchased; pennies would be worn, or practice jerseys. Area would provide sweatshirts and bill each region.

*U12 through U19:* No format changes proposed.

### **Board (Region 86) Goals**

*Player Growth:* Our player growth goal was achieved last year. Region will grow by itself if we continue to improve the program. Available fields are an issue regarding growth. Lang Park is maxed out. There's probably room for two teams at Alta Laguna. U12 may need another field besides TOW.

*Training:* Alan would like to see all Board members certified for his/her respective position. An option would be to obtain certification instruction at a future Board meeting.

*Referee Staff Meetings:* Sarah and Geoff are working on...

*New Board Members:* Max Brown and Jeff have expressed interest in serving as Board members. Alan asked that they make individual contact with him to establish a "good fit."

### **National Games – Hawaii '08**

Alan has put our region, all divisions, in the lottery. Richard Graham, Danny Melita and David Lumley have volunteered as coaches. Ed motioned for the approval of the National Games coaches with a second by Tiffany, followed by unanimous approval.

### **Registration**

*Fee Structure:* Online registration will be available to all registered Region 86 volunteers after the March Board meeting, with fees of \$95-1<sup>st</sup> child; \$90 for 2 children; \$85 for 3 children. Open registration will take place on April 28<sup>th</sup> for \$110 fee. Open online registration for \$110 fee will begin on April 29<sup>th</sup> and continue through June 5<sup>th</sup>. The second open registration will take place on June 6<sup>th</sup> for \$125 fee. After June 6<sup>th</sup>, player fee will increase to \$150; Alan feels, and the Board concurs, that if people are going to wait that long to register, those families will fund other things.

*New Regional Volunteer Form:* It is proposed that a signature block be added on the form for non-volunteerism options to sponsor in lieu of volunteering.

*Registration Packet from National:* Alan asked Tiffany to call National and order standard package plus three sets of labels. Tiffany requested that the National Packet be sent to the Caserio home.

More discussion about Fall Registration to take place during March Board meeting.

### **Fall '07 Referee Point System**

There's a movement at the Area level to get a uniform ref point system established and in place. Our region discussion is tabled until the March Board meeting. Geoff and Sarah want to keep last year's system in place if Area doesn't come forward with better ideas.

### **Section Meeting – Long Beach, May 10-13**

Tammy has reserved six rooms at the Westin. Board members are invited to attend and expenses will be paid. Alan to send an email with more information about the meeting.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the February Board Meeting was adjourned at 9:09 p.m. upon a motion by Richard Graham and a second by Gareth Butler, followed by unanimous approval.

RC Alan Caserio  
ARC R.W. Graham  
RCA Ed Daniels