

**AYSO REGION 86
BOARD MEETING**

*February 13, 2008
LEGION HALL*

Those in attendance of the February 13th Board meeting were:

Alan Caserio
Tammy Caserio
Geoff Orias
Ed Ornelas
Nick Ross
Richard Graham
Shawn Graf
Tiffany Reinsch
Sara Pearlman

The meeting was commenced at 7:01 p.m. upon a motion duly made by Geoff, seconded by Ed Ornelas, which was unanimously carried.

Approval of November Minutes

Apparent discrepancies in the January Minutes were noted and penciled in. In particular a correction was made to the notes on the vote to allow a particular Fall referee volunteer's child to play in Spring that did not play in Fall; Ed Ornelas motioned for approval followed by a second by Richard Graham, which was unanimously carried.

Section 11 Playoffs

We have a BU12 team and GU12 team participating. Geoff has submitted Tiffany, Alan, Ben Murray, and himself as a referee team as requested by the Area 11L staff for the Feb 23-24 tournament in San Marcos.

Spring Items

All is going well. We will most likely have to line the fields ourselves. Alan stated that if we have any problem with referee coverage this Spring, next year Fall referee volunteers that completed a minimum set of games will be given first right of refusal up to a certain time period (TBD - say Dec 31st) if they want their children to play in the Spring. Teams will be required to accept these players assuming there is a team/coach in that division. This may limit the number of possible teams as each MUST have a minimum of three referees representatives (parents of children from that team – and a parent may only represent one team per Area rules). Spring budget is basically the same as last year with an increase of \$10 in the fee (\$85) to cover all expenses.

7:23 – Sarah Arrived

Budget Review

Nick Ross officially resigned as treasurer effective 1/31/2008. Alan presented an appreciation plaque to Nick for his service and thanked him as well as the rest of the board. Denise Coury volunteered to replace Nick at the last meeting and has been appointed by the Regional Commissioner to fill this role.

Nick distributed the budget report current to the end of CY 2008.

Alan presented a preliminary FS2008 budget. Only changes foreseen are the possible player fee increase to \$12.75/player to be voted on at the NAGM in May plus some more to be placed in the budget for the volunteer appreciation night. Otherwise budget and fee schedule to remain the same as last year. A vote on the budget will take place at the next meeting once it is circulated to board members.

Geoff asked if we have ever thought about waiving fees for certain volunteers. The answer was yes we have thought about it and the answer is no. Volunteers already get an early bird discount if they sign up early on-line. Giving discounts or waiving fees for volunteers does not guarantee that they will provide the required volunteer service.

Fall 08 Season

Calendar has been posted. Ed Ornelas was asked to review coach meeting and training dates and set up instructors. Geoff was asked to review referee meeting and training dates for the same. Shawn Graf was asked to review the volunteer appreciation night and to arrange for it now if possible. K-League (U5-U6) will start 2 weeks earlier than normal to accommodate one picture day on the last Saturday in September (does not fall on any religious holiday).

Regular season format will remain the same: 8 weeks of games, 4 Saturdays in September and 4 Saturdays in October for U10-U14 teams. U16-U19 play at the Area level. U5-U6 and U8 game count to remain the same as last year.

Discussed Referee Point System for Fall and everyone was in agreement to keep it the same.

Discussed playoff situation with respect to referee coverage and the disappointment in general of referees dropping like flies after referee points have been earned to qualify for playoffs. Alan proposed the following to increase referee coverage:

- Playoffs (U10-U14) to be renamed to R86 Tournament
- Teams qualify for the tournament by:
 - Earning the required referee points during the regular season
 - Applying for the tournament before the 26th of October
 - Supplying referees as part of the application process
- Referees supplied as part of the application process will be scheduled around their children's games
- Referees that renege on their commitments to referee earn -3 points for each scheduled game that is not properly covered by their
- All other aspects of the tournament remain the same as playoffs in previous seasons

Motion by Tiffany to adopt above proposal for the Fall 2008 season – 2nd by Richard Graham. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

The actual number of referees required in the application process, and whether or not a referee may represent more than one team, and whether a coach can also referee, and how many game a referee may have to officiate was not decided as a part of this motion and Geoff Orias will bring recommendations to the next board meeting.

There are four weekends in November before Thanksgiving. We will try to use all four of the Saturdays to complete the tournament to reduce and hopefully eliminate as many weekday afternoon games as possible. Full length games will be used for U12-U14 games in the tournament. U10 format will remain the same.

Board Goals

Discussed 10% growth goals.

Open Registration

Noted that the next board meeting will be dedicated to this topic

Uniforms for Spring Teams

Uniforms to be available after Feb 21st per Score Sports.

SAGM/NAGM

Section meeting registration – Alan encouraged everyone again to sign up on eAYSO. Feb 14 is last day to get discounted price.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the February 13th Board meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m. upon a motion by Tiffany and a second by Sarah, which was unanimously carried.

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