

**AYSO REGION 86  
BOARD MEETING**

***MARCH 8, 2006  
LANG PARK COMMUNITY CENTER***

Those in attendance of the March 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting were:

Gareth Butler	Shawn Graf
Alan Caserio	Ed Ornelas
Tammy Caserio	Sarah Pearlman
Denise Coury	Tiffany Reinsch

The meeting commenced at 7:11 p.m. upon a motion by Gareth and a second by Tiffany.

**Review of February Meeting Minutes**

The Board reviewed the February Minutes and unanimously approved same upon a motion by Ed and a second by Gareth.

**Treasurer's Report**

Nick was not present; Alan reported. There is still approximately \$20,000 in the bank. Our region collected approximately \$7,000 in spring select player fees. \$4,000 went towards uniforms; over \$600 will go to the Area for fees. What's remaining will cover possible fields costs and be applied towards ref appreciation.

The Board requested and unanimously approved that Alan Caserio, Ed Ornelas and Nick Ross have signature authority over the secondary Wells Fargo banking account. The account will be used specifically for tournaments and spring play.

**Spring Select**

Alan reported that there are a few unpaid players in the Spring Select program. He will contact respective coaches and inform them that payment must be received tomorrow night or Alan will drop the unpaid players from the program as there are kids on a waitlist to play. "No mercy for people who won't pay." U12 divisions are the issue. Roster counts need to be at the maximum. There is no waitlist for the U16 and U19 divisions. Sarah indicated that there are eight girls in another region who want to play but have not been able to be placed on a team. Rosters can be changed mid-stream.

Alan suggested that we consider turning on online registration for Spring Select next year. We can specify on website that registration does not guarantee spring play. A draft can be conducted with priority placement for children of volunteers. Sarah asserted that

she likes to pick her own team, particularly with regard to the lower divisions. As a whole, the Board resisted the proposal believing open registration for Spring Select may lead to harassment by parents inquiring about their children being on a team. Additionally, there would probably be a shortage of volunteers with a larger player base.

### **Coach ID Cards**

Alan directed the subject of coach ID cards to Ed and proposed that all coaches have ID cards beginning this fall for a number of reasons, some of which are:

- 1) The coaches will be identifiable as certified coaches
- 2) The coaches will be easily recognized by refs and players
- 3) Recognition by the Area

ID cards give refs clout because refs can discern between coaches and parents; therefore, outspoken parents can be reprimanded when necessary. A vote on coach ID cards will go before the Board in a couple of months.

### **Fields**

Alan asked Gareth if fields are prepared/ready for first spring games this weekend. Gareth to check tomorrow and advise if help is needed. El Morro is ready; Moulton is ready. Thurston may need preparation.

Tiffany raised the issue of limited space at Thurston on Thursdays. Little League teams need to share field space on one side of the field. AYSO is allocated the other side of the field. Alan asked Gareth if we have permits in place for the spring and suggested that Gareth fax copies of the permits for those coaches who need a copy for substantiation in case of any confrontation. Practice windows at Thurston are 4-5:00 p.m. and 5-6:00 p.m. for a total of 20 practice slots. Mondays and Tuesdays are wide open for practices. Alan remarked, "We are experiencing growing pains. We must share with Little League and Club. We can handle maybe two more teams." Alan asked Ed to publish email to coaches that gives practice matrixes so that coaches can select available time slots.

### **Section Meeting – April 22, 23**

Alan inquired about interested Board members in attending for purposes of room reservations. Sarah, Kerry, Tiffany, Ed and Richard would like rooms; Gareth will attend but not stay over.

### **Fall Registration – Thurston Middle School**

**Early Registration:** Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**Second Registration:** Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 6-9 p.m.

Alan to activate online registration tonight or tomorrow for fall registration. He invited Board members and volunteers to sign-up online to take advantage of the reduced \$95 player fee before April 8<sup>th</sup>.

On April 8<sup>th</sup>, players can be signed up for the early bird registration fee of \$110. After April 8<sup>th</sup>, player fee will be increased to \$125. Player fees were unanimously approved upon a motion by Ed and a second by Tiffany.

Tiffany reported that postcards have been sent out. Hillary has the flyers into the School District for approval and subsequent reproduction and distribution. Hillary, Tiffany and Gareth to distribute flyers to schools. Tiffany will place posters around town on March 25<sup>th</sup>. We may need to order new banners if last year's cannot be located.

*Advertisements.* Denise to place ads in the three local papers: *Coastline, Independent* and *NewsPost*. Ads will run during the prior week to and same week of April 8<sup>th</sup> registration. Denise will also check AYSO Region 86's inclusion in organization listing in Laguna Beach recreation catalogs, using our website address as contact. Newspaper ads will include a thank-you to certain level sponsors. Denise to check space in "What's Happening" section of Register and free space/blurbs in local papers.

*Supplies.* Denise to check into obtaining some sort of "Volunteer" sticker for use/identification on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Alan to secure volunteer stamps. Tiffany to order pre-printed forms. Tiffany distributed the volunteer sign-up form and solicited comments from the Board.

*Refreshments.* Tiffany will order food/beverages for April 8<sup>th</sup>; Alan and Tammy to transport to Thurston.

Alan suggested that sign-up sheets be available at Open Registration Day so that volunteers can sign-up for appropriate training courses.

Alan confirmed with Gareth that Thurston use permits are in place for April and June registration dates.

### Ref Program

Sarah reported that Richard's team is short one ref. Refs are signing up for teams. Sarah may have to assign games to refs. The Area has let us down for assessments. Sarah will give priority to those refs who have been waiting the longest for assessments. Tiffany voiced issues with ref scheduling. As a coach, she feels she should be able to select those games to ref based on her availability and should be confirmed accordingly.

### Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the March Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. upon a motion by Denise and a second by Ed.

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