

DISTRICT VII MEETING

May 13, 2009

MINUTES

The meeting was brought to order by the District Commissioner at 7:33 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioner, Sect-Treasurer, Registrar, State Cup, Coaching, Tournaments, ODP,D7PP, Top Soccer, Recreation, Association Cup, Leagues 1,2,3,9,12,13,14,15,16,18,19,20,21

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Assistant Commissioner, Founder's Cup, Rules & Revisions

MEMBERS ABSENT: Leagues 4,5,6,7,8,10,11,22,23,24,25

GUESTS: Theo Phillips-Female COY, Alyce Alvarez-Youth Referee of the year, Mick Walker-SYRA, Albert Abrahamian, Lee Fisher-Fig Garden

MINUTES: *M/S/C To approve the minutes of the March 11,2009 meeting.* Unanimous

The commissioner asked Theo Phillips if she would read the poem that she read at the Coach of the Year luncheon. He remarked that she did make quite a show stopper and had they not already picked the State Coach of the Year, she would have won. John presented her with a plaque that contained the poem that she had read and asked permission to hang one in the office. He also gave her warm up pants, shirts and hat.

Albert Abrahamian was introduced as the retiring District Director of Instruction. He gave a synopsis of his record with soccer. He began when Harold S. Young asked him to develop a referee program. They were both playing at the time. He spoke on the problems with referees and why most did not want to continue. Mick Walker presented Albert with a plaque for his work with the referee program. John presented Alyce Alvarez with a set of sweats as a gift for being the District's Youth Referee of the Year.

REPORTS

ASSOCIATION CUP: Under 16 & 19 Boys and Girls semis were held in Redding. The U-19 boys won. They have been trying to put the U-14 groups in March with the 16 & 19s but it did not pass. They also wanted the fee to be reduced to \$400.00. That also did not pass.

TREASURER: The District VII Office Financial Report from June 1, 2008 to February 28, 2009 and the proposed Office Budget were in all mail boxes. There were no questions.

REGISTRAR: We should end up with 23,148 players registered this year. There were 1363 registered for Spring League. The requested paperwork for the registrars has not been turned in for some leagues. The leagues that have not turned in their paperwork have been shut out of League One. Reminder that paperwork for Division I teams must be in to the District by June 15 and Division III teams by July 15.

RULES & REVISIONS: No report

SPRING LEAGUE: Kudos went to Mike, Tom and Christine for having a good beginning season. Mike said "so far, so good". The teams that played at Lincoln have been moved to Selma Lane Park because of damage done to the school. Please communicate with your teams about side line behavior. Tom said that he is having a good time. The Selma rep. gave recognition to Tom for his work with the Spring League. Mike requested that we have a Spring League Committee for next season.

STATE CUP: The Clovis U-15 team went to the finals but lost 6-0. Regional games will be held in Lancaster this year. There are no rooms available. If anyone wishes to attend, they may have to stay many miles away.

TOP SOCCER: They are just finishing baseball and will be starting soccer on August 15. This will be the first jamboree. They are going to try to have a spring league.

RECREATION: No report

D7PP: Bob reiterated the deadlines for teams to enter. They will be using the same sites as last year. Coach's meetings will be held on August 25 and August 27 at Pelco. It is mandatory that they attend. They will go over the new referee rules.

ODP: We are sending players to State try-outs. \$75.00 will be charged to take care of the cost of play days. District 7 try-outs will be held On June 6 and June 13 for players born 94 thru 97. The fee is \$30.00. They will be held from 9:00 A.M. to noon at the Regional Sports Complex. Bill needs help. John alerted the board as to the cost to each ODP player if they make the State team.

REFEREES: No DYRA yet. Make sure that the league referee coordinator gets the materials. John hopes to have round tables to go over the new referee rules.

COACHING: Several courses are coming up. There will be an "E" clinic this weekend. They still have openings. The fee is \$52.00. There are "F" courses scheduled in Fig Garden and Clovis. Clay has enough participants to do a State D course, info will come later. "It's that time of the year".

TOURNAMENTS: The manual is down to about 24 pages. If you are applying to a tournament in CYSA North, do not send through the District Tournament Coordinator. Apply directly to the tournament. The travel papers must still be sent to the District Office. Tournament reporting is down to about half.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: There is a form on the District web site for scrimmages. You may use the forms from the web site for application to tournaments in CYSA and for the District. The President's workshop will be held in conjunction with the AGM. Remember that the leagues that get into the most trouble are not following their own by laws.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Office budget. There were no questions or comments.

M/S/C TO ACCEPT THE OFFICE BUDGET AS PRESENTED Unanimous

John made a request to get a refrigerator to hold the sodas and water. The soda machine does not work any longer.

M/S/C TO GET A REFRIGERATOR FOR THE OFFICE, COST NOT TO EXCEED \$500.00 Unanimous

Request was made for scholarship money for ODP players.

M/S/ TO AUTHORIZE THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER TO GIVE UP TO \$100.00 A MONTH, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF \$600.00, AT HIS DISCRETION, TO ODP PLAYERS WHO HAVE REQUESTED HELP 4 aye 6 nay Motion fails

Discussion: Once we open the door we can't close it. Will we have many requests? Have the parent help at ODP tryouts. Parent needs to go to the league first. Does the parent really need the help?

M/S/C THE DISTRICT TO GIVE UP TO A \$1000.00 TO PLAYERS THAT REALLY NEED IT
9 aye 1 nay Motion passes

Reminder that you must apply to play at the Regional Sports Park ASAP. Apply to host tournaments at least 120 days prior to the tournament date.

Procedures for staff - bring in requests for reimbursements to the office. Linda will copy and mail the request to the proper State person.

We don't have a policy on playing in the heat, please use common sense!

Question was asked "Where are we at with US Club or similar organizations." Several suggestions were given.

John thanked all who attended the Fuego game. It was a real fun time.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Gladys Olsen
Secretary