

Region 121 Board Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2010 / Tuesday
Arroyo Elementary School – 225 Ulysses St.
Commissioner Russell Platamone – 805.791.6333

Attendees: Crystal Barlow, Chris Boynton, Ken Crowle, Tonya Giesseman, Mike Greenup, Cammy Hardy, Bob Lang, John Meeker, Alain Missoul, Mary Morrissey, Russell Platamone, Cheryl Platamone, Jayna Rose, Danny Sison, John Tone, Roger Weiss.

7:00 pm Arrival and dinner/dessert prepared and served by Cheryl Platamone.

****Birthday announcements:** Chris Boynton and Russell Platamone.

Meeting called to order by: Roger Weiss at 7:15 pm

Approval of March minutes: Ken Crowle motioned to approve and Chris Boynton seconded the motion. Minutes approved by board vote.

Commissioner update: Roger Weiss presents the Parent Responsibility and Code of Conduct with signature page written by Russell Platamone for discussion. A suggestion is made to take out the part that says “and read” in line number two. It is proposed that the documents be given to the parents for review, signature and collection during registration.

Discussion of how registration is going to be handled this year with regards to having parents have everything filled out before they go inside to register. There will be a table for the EXTRA program, a referee table and coach table. .

The U10, U12 & U14 Team Qualifications for Region Playoffs documents are presented next and background information given by Russ. Regarding Regional Playoffs, teams will have to qualify to participate through volunteering. Jeff McClure has put together a volunteer program that is interactive. Jennifer Lang is working with him to get it on the website, where parents can go in and sign up for a position any time during the year. They will then have to sign in at the field on Saturday. To qualify for Area League Playoffs, one parent from each team will have to go to a referee class and referee five games during the season, in addition to fulfilling the Regional Playoffs volunteering obligations.

No decision on these documents needs to be made tonight, but any additional thoughts should be e-mailed to Russ within the next few days so the documents can be ready for registration on April 21st.

Registrar Update: Mary Morrissey – Registration coming up, dates are April 21st 6 – 9 pm, April 24th 9 am – 12 pm and May 1st 9 am -12 pm. She is short on volunteers. Registration will be held at the recreation center. Fees are \$90, \$75, \$50.

This year they will not be having a table or a chair for each division. There will be six logbooks and every division will go in each book.

Division directors, please recruit coaches at registration. Mary will be sending out a spreadsheet that estimates what she thinks she will need for coaches.

Dan will be doing evaluations outside. New players should have an evaluation number before they are entered in the logbook. If they do not, send them outside to Dan.

We are tracking the advertising. We want to know how people found out about the registration. Fliers were distributed to all of the schools, but some schools are going green and sending information via e-mail.

Notices will not be sent to the VIPs. They will be contacted after we see who comes in and signs up.

Coach Update: Crystal Barlow – All the coaches are good, with a few exceptions.

Referee Update: Ken Crowle – No update, everything is planned for Fall.

Roger confirms they already have rooms booked for fall clinics.

Ken says they are doing something a little different for basic course/regional course. They are having it after the season starts, on the Friday and Sunday. If someone wants training before the season starts, they can be sent to Moorpark or Thousand Oaks. U6 and U8 training will be before the season starts.

Financial Update: Roger Weiss – Says everyone should have received an e-mail from him regarding the P&L report. Keith had asked Roger if we made any money on the New Year's Tournament, what was the income/expense for that and the spring season. New Year's Tournament brought in \$58,000, spent \$41,000, show a profit of \$17,419. Spring season brought in \$38,835 and we have spent over \$2000 in refunds. There were fees to National, paint, uniforms, trophies, field use and other expenses that we had to spend because we had a spring season, not including monies that would normally be spent. Net profit for spring is \$10,539. Anyone who wants to see the numbers send an e-mail to Roger and he will send it to you.

Picture Day Update: Patricia Howard - not present, Russ has asked her to send an e-mail to everyone with her presentation and information about picture day.

AYSO Training and Certification: Kim Pagliarli – Handed out a Training Matrix, which tells you your position and what you need to do your position. Discussed the Road Show, which is scheduled for June 12th. Simi Valley is hosting the Road Show at Arroyo Elementary.

Kim is not sure what classes are going to be offered, however, they are definitely going to have VIP and CVPA. Basic course is offered online. Registrar course depends on what the needs are of the rest of the region. Steve, Area Referee Administrator, has committed to do something for the referees. The Coach Administrator, Arnold, has something for U8 and U10 coaches, although any coach can attend no matter what division.

There are going to be couple of surprise visitors, raffles, goody bags, pins and flip coins.

Kim emphasizes it is very important to be trained and makes a point that you should be trained for positions other than the one you hold.

Russ needs an RMA, or Regional Manager Administrator. Crystal Barlow is new RMA.

Kim says this is a great opportunity to recruit instructors and says anyone who is interested in becoming one should e-mail her.

Russ says he will teach a Safety Director class, which will bring you up to date on the legal ramifications we have and things that need to be followed and it will help the Division directors with your coaches.

When asked if you get certification for these classes, Kim brings up the Child and Volunteer Protection Act, which says you have to have some kind of training so that you are not held responsible personally. Without this training, someone can sue you. Russ lets everyone know that he has a spreadsheet that has everything on everyone regarding his or her certification, in case it has come up missing.

Kim tells everyone you can take a refresher course and that CVPA is a certification course and you have to do the updates. They have webinars for CVPA's for the updates. Coaches are also required to complete updates.

New Business: Kim P. – Russ has granted Kim and Rich permission to have a U5 program in Simi Valley. U5 is a jamboree; you get 100 kids (example), boys and girls, separate them into one boy team and one girl team. Parents have to be there and they will be running the drills. Parents will have to go to a coaching course and they will have to go to a referee course and fill out the volunteer application. Someone asked if your child has to be on the U5 team or can they play U6. Kim said it was up to the region. Regarding which fields the U5 jamboree will be on, Russ says there is going to be a foundation meeting in May regarding fields with the club teams. There are still a couple of kinks that are being ironed out regarding the U5 program.

Regarding fields and tent placement, they put the tents in the middle of the fields last weekend and the response was very good, with people saying it made them more accessible.

Leonard Hendricks has passed his center assessment, he has one more and then he will be at the highest level of referee.

The EXTRA program is going forward, they revamped it a little bit, and Mary has been working hard on it. If anyone has questions, ask her.

Russ reiterated that if anyone ever has any questions, please ask him, he will be happy to explain things to you.

The SAYSO Newsletter is still going to be handed out, preferably by parent volunteers as their volunteer obligation as listed on the Team Qualifications for Region Playoffs flyer.

Meeting Adjourned: by Roger Weiss at 8:50 pm