

AYSO Region 870 Board Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2007

Treasurer

- The treasurer provided a final report on the 2007/2008 region budget. It has not yet been submitted to National but this will be done ASAP.

Coach Administrator

- Wendy Nyquist was introduced as the new assistant RCA.
- A boiler-plate email explaining the U8 goalkeeper change has been prepared and will be sent out to anyone inquiring about the changes. The region will survey U8 parents and coaches some time during the Fall 2007 season to measure acceptance of the change.
- A coach training schedule is in work.

Referee Administrator

- A referee training schedule is in work.
- We will provide free training to Albany Boys & Girls Club officials. The RC was asked to inquire with Ryan Lamm at ABGC about officiating policies at ABGC games. Specifically, may AYSO referees volunteer to officiate at ABGC fields if a trained referee is not provided by the host?

Fields & Equipment Coordinator

- Dates will be scheduled in August to lay out fields. Some fields will be moved to avoid wear patterns, and a new U12 field must be designed.
- The Fields coordinator will produce a field painting schedule, and team Field volunteers will be asked to pick a date to come and help paint.

Safety Director

- The safety director was asked to produce a notification plan for visiting ABGC and AYSO Region 149 teams so they can find safety supplies at our fields.

CVPA

- Reported on a shouting incident between a coach and referee at a U10G game on May 19. The RC will prepare a letter of apology to the parents on both teams.

Touchline Editor

- The Summer *Touchline* will need to be mailed in July. Sandra Muñoz will translate Spanish-language versions of *Touchline* articles.

Regional Commissioner

- The Fall 2007 season dates have been changed to September 8 through October 20. This was done by request of the City of Albany which hopes to host a NCAA cross country event at Timber-Linn Park on October 27.

Regional Commissioner (continued)

- Reported on Soccerfest. Attendance in the lower divisions was low, but overall the kids seemed to enjoy the event and the upper divisions clearly found it to be a success. Sandra Muñoz was congratulated for her extraordinary organizational efforts in connection with the event. If we hold Soccerfest again in the future, a Soccerfest committee must be formed to oversee planning.
- Peter Kimura is resigning as the Assistant RC. A replacement is sought.
- The RC would like to organize a tournament in July 2008, possibly in conjunction with the Albany Timber Carnival. We will try to work with George VanKeulen of Mid-Valley Soccer Club to organize this.
- The board voted on whether to allow U12 and U14 teams to play one or two weekday evening games per season as away games with ABGC. The policy was approved unanimously.
- Registration report: Slightly more than 400 players are registered thus far, with another 10-12 expected to register by mail by June 18. We have enough players for two full U12B teams and two full U12G teams, however the U14 numbers are not as strong. We have 14 U14 girls and 10 U14 boys. We will need to recruit additional U14 boys to form a complete team. Although most U14 opponents will be from AYSO Region 149 and ABGC, the board agreed that it would be acceptable to schedule some matches between the U14G and U14B teams.
- The team formation meeting is scheduled for June 26 at Hill Street Church of Christ. We will begin at 5:30 and all board members are asked to attend. Amy Capellan will also be invited to attend as a representative of the parent group which questioned our team formation actions last year. The board agreed to Ms. Capellan's attendance provided that she helps with a division that does not include her own children.
- The U19 team formation policy was discussed. The board decided that U19 teams would be formed at the regular team formation meeting. Tara Dixson was in attendance and concurred that this is the best way given current registration numbers.

Team Parent Coordinator

- The new TPC – Tina Gahagan – has received a pass down of duties from Lois Corbett.
- Several parents volunteered to help with the Registration Team during registration. Most of these parents will be assigned as divisional coordinators under the TPC.

Executive Session (Closed to non-board members)