



### **AYSO Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Next Board Meeting: January 14, 2025

#### **Attendance:**

<b>Executive Board</b>		<b>Board Members / Attendees</b>	
X	Bryan Samuels, Commissioner	X	Mui Koltunov, Picture Day and Spring Season Coordinator
X	Erik Gammell, Assistant Commissioner	X	Bernadette Williams, Co-Awards Coordinator
X	Betsy de Leon, Regional Commissioner – Elect	X	Alex Montes, BU6 & GU6 Division Coordinator
X	Tito Villanueva, Regional Coach Administrator	X	Alex Vasquez, EPIC Program Coordinator
X	Phil Reed, Regional Referee Administrator	X	Rana Itani, Co-Uniform Coordinator
X	Roger Angarita, Treasurer	X	Sally Rubin, GU12 Division Coordinator
X	Cindy Shin, Registrar	X	Oscar Anguiano, BU14 Division Coordinator
	Megan Hopkins, CVPA	X	Kyle, Coach
X	Jose Castillo, Safety Director	X	Mike Matoba, Coach
X	Afshin Ketabi, Secretary		
	Noel Garcia, Commissioner Emeritus, Upper Division Coordinator		

#### **Discussion:**

Bryan opened the meeting at 6:37 pm.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Roger moved to approve the minutes of the September Board Meeting. Jose seconded the motion. Bryan called the question. All were in favor with none opposed, and none abstaining.

#### **Financials**

Roger provided a financial update and reported total expenses incurred in September were approximately \$34k, with the largest expenses incurred for field expenses, player training, and volunteer screening.

Roger also noted actual expenditures to date and projected expenditures through the balance of the fiscal year are trending to be approximately flat with total projected revenues.



Cindy moved to accept the financials. Erik seconded the motion. Bryan called the question. All were in favor with none opposed, and none abstaining.

### **Fall Season Updates**

Betsy provided an update and reported overall things are going well and there have been no coach suspensions to date. Balanced teams in BU10 has been reported by some coaches to be a challenge. A potential driver could be the relatively high number of players who were calibrated and placed on teams but ended up backing out of their registration and were backfilled by players from the waitlist who may not have been evaluated as thoroughly.

### **Referee Updates**

Phil provided an update and reported this year's recruiting efforts have been successful in bringing in new referees. In addition, the Region has a high number of current referees initiating the process to upgrade their badges. Phil also reported so far this fall season it's been a challenge getting the more experienced referees to sign up for the more competitive matches, such as EXTRA, that are held on Sundays. Phil also noted the Youth Referee Program is going very well, and the Youth Referee Day held this past Saturday was well attended.

### **Sunday Soccer**

Sunday Soccer started this past week and is pick-up soccer for the U10, U12, and U14 and divisions. It is an opportunity to observe players and coaches, in a more casual setting, for the upcoming all-star season.

### **Post Season**

- a. All Stars
  - i. Registration is open and this year's fee is planned to be set at November's Board Meeting. For reference, last year's fee was \$195.
  - ii. Tryouts are not mandatory and if a player does not participate in tryouts, the end-of-season evaluation by their coach will be leveraged.
  - iii. Team selection will commence soon as teams need to be formed by the end of November.
- b. Regional Playoffs
  - i. Playoffs will start the first week of December, with games being planned on weeknights, Saturdays and Sundays. Playoffs will start the first week of December, with games being planned on weeknights, Saturdays and Sundays

### **Arroyo Seco Cup**



The U10 tournament will be held over Thanksgiving weekend. Bryan provided an update and reported four divisions have been created, girls and boys core and girls and boys select/competitive.

Food trucks, awards for players, and Team Snap for real-time score reporting, are all being planned for the tournament.

Bryan noted a referee scheduler is still needed and Alex noted approximately two weeks lead time is needed for any uniforms that should be ordered. To date, 50 U10 boys and 30 U10 girls have signed up for the tournament to date and an approach to team formation needs to be established.

### **Safety Update**

Jose reported parents and coaches are submitting incident reports and the new version of the online fillable report has been very helpful. Reports are being read right away and then forwarded on to Risk Management for any potential follow-up actions.

### **EPIC Program Update**

Alex reported the Mike Murphy Tournament is coming up in November and our region is once again planning on combining players with Glendale in order to form a team. Alex also noted more volunteers are needed to help support the program.

### **Executive Board Elections**

Bryan provided an update and reported the following Executive Board positions will be up for election at the December Board meeting: Regional Commissioner, Regional Coach Administrator, Regional Referee Administrator, and Secretary. The current term runs through January and newly elected Board members will commence in February.

### **Roundtable / New Topic Suggestions**

Save the date for January 25<sup>th</sup> for the Volunteer Party, which Rana is planning and to be held at the Women's Club of South Pasadena.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Minutes submitted by Afshin Ketabi, AYSO Region 214 Secretary.



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