

# REGION 41 AYSO

## MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**July 15, 2019**

The monthly Region 41 AYSO Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Regional Commissioner Chris Connelly at 6:40 p.m. The meeting was held at the Regional Commissioner's home at 31112 Boca Raton Place, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677.

Chris Connelly, Regional Commissioner noted that five (5) of six (6) Executive Board Members were present, including Chris Connelly, Derek Bartolome, and Rod Robinson, which constituted a quorum, so Region business could be discussed. In attendance also was board-members-at-large, Lissette Bartolome, Ali Kia, Karen Crowe, Steve Hormuth, and Robin Vanderzanden.

The minutes from the previous board meeting of June 17, 2019 were reviewed. Upon the motion of Rod Robinson and seconded by Steve Hormuth, the minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

Chairman Connelly provided the attendees with copies of the June 2019 un-redacted Region 41 financial reports. Following a review and discussion of the aforementioned financial reports, a motion to approve the financials was made by Rod Robinson, seconded by Derek Bartolome, and approved by unanimous vote.

### **AYSO NATIONAL, AREA & REGIONAL GENERAL ITEMS:**

Chairman Connelly brought the following items to the attention of the board.

- **Orange County Soccer Club (OCSC):**
  - Ali Kia, RC elect has the remaining tickets
  - Reviewed available dates/tickets for season (July 24, Sept. 14, Oct.5, Oct. 19)
- **EXTRA Program:**
  - New EXTRA coach, Heather Canfora
  - EXTRA coaches have to be trained a level up. If coaching 10U must be trained as at least an 11U coach.
  - Rod R. and Derek B. shared that the program is going well.
- **UK International Summer Program:**
  - Have had double the kids enrolled compared to last year.
  - One last week for Laguna Niguel July 29-Aug. 2 at Chapparosa Park
- **The Coaching Manual** – Tabled until next meeting

- Online program for helping coaches stay organized and prepare plans for practices. Videos are helpful for coaches and instructive on helping them on talking to the kids.
- May be too costly. Options may be:
  - Don't do at all
  - Enlist it for select age groups like 10U and up.
- **UK International Contract**
  - 2 exclusive coaches (16 hours per week ). A spreadsheet will be sent out and coaches can sign up to leverage this for their teams.
  - Skills Clinic will be offered on Friday nights.

## **Fall Core Season 2019:**

Chairman Connelly brought the following items to the attention of the board.

- **Current Enrollments:**
  - Current enrollment tracking at 267, which is only 8 behind last year. Last years enrollment capped out at 365. Expecting to exceed this number this year.
  - 6U is tracking with only 12 currently enrolled. Need enough players to form 4 teams. Only have enough for 2.5 teams right now. Could consider playing teams of 3 v. 3.
  - If we have a 7U program, AYSO will allow 8U to play 5 v. 5.
  - Emails have been sent out encouraging enrollment.
  - Open/Pending carts on website have been identified. In order to make sure every person who intends to play has completed the sign-up process, email communication has been sent as a reminder.
  - Registration to remain open, in order to continue adjusting waitlists.
- **Fall Calendar:**
  - Reviewed important upcoming dates (complete list on Agenda).
    - July 28 – Team Formations
      - For 8U and below allow for requests.
      - For 10U and up create balanced teams. No requests.
    - Aug 6 – NOT ATTENDING. Annual National Night Out at LNES. The event is specific to safety and not eligible under the program.
    - Aug 10 – Meet the Coach Day at Niguel Hills Middle School. This event will need every available board member to volunteer and help out with day of parent questions and assistance. Will need to plan for equipment recycling.
    - Aug 13 – Mandatory Coach Meeting at City Hall Community Center.

- Aug 16 – NOT ATTENDING. Laguna Niguel 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Carnival. It requires 3 full day commitment and don't have the volunteer manpower.
- **Miscellaneous:**
  - Everyone on Executive Board must take the treasurer webinar class.
  - Derek would email members with all upcoming classes

## **Board Member and Division Reports:**

Chairman Connelly requested updates from Board Members.

- **Fields – Coach Administrator, Rod R.**
  - Rod passed the Intermediate Referee test; Need to encourage more volunteers for referee training.
  - City commitment to give 12U & 14U more fields.
    - City will have Chapparosa field painted across to accommodate 12U.
    - Still need extra fields for 10U.
  - Inventory of storage bins completed by Rod R. and Derek B. Have enough paint for fields. Do not need to order more. Out of size 4 balls, but have size 3 and 5 balls.
  - Additional coach training has been added to website. Still encouraging live training, but there are options.
  - Chris C. asking for consideration on reducing number of soccer balls provided to coaches. Currently coaches are given 3 balls, but looking to reduce to save money. All in agreement this makes sense.
- **Safety – Derek B.**
  - Need to order first aid kits for coaches. Lissette will order.
  - Reminder on practice guidelines. Can only practice up to 60 minutes 2x per week or 90 min 1x per week okay.
- **Marketing – Lissette B.**
  - Lissette advised on Calendar events for booths. Noted under calendar.
  - Fundraising – We need to initiate as a way to bring costs down. Looking at options.
    - Community Discount Card is still considered best option. If we sell for \$10, AYSO gets \$5.
    - Worlds Finest Chocolates being considered. It's a 50% profit if you order 50 or more cases. No upfront costs.
    - Look at local restaurants for fundraisers. Most restaurants give back 20%.
    - Chris C. strongly advises on no cash transactions for fundraising.
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**Adjournment:**

Chairman Connelly asked if there was any other business. No other business being raised, Rod R. moved that the board meeting be adjourned, seconded by Lissette, and carried unanimously. Chairman Connelly adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

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**Chris Connelly, Regional Commissioner**

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**Date**