

Mid County Soccer Board Minutes

February, 10th, 2009

Meeting called to order: 7:04 p.m.

Attendees:

Barbara Griffin, Mike Griffin, Val Walters, Bob Veach , Jim & Linda Koch, Ray & MarthaTousse, Kelly & Christine Binger, Mike Fong

Agenda: Approved

Minutes: January minutes approved

Oral Communications: Martha commented on a picture frame that is signed, group mixed idea

SCCYSC Meeting Update: Kelly Binger reported on the league meeting he attended on 2/3/09,

New Business:

- Approved Breaker Coaches
- Field Fund we will not be sending money this year will still collect money from clubs to look at other options such as the Watsonville option.
- Spring Registration is now open
 - 15.00 per player
 - Blue Passes / Blue Roster

Old Business:

- D3 Tryouts talk about moving up dates. Everyone agreed to go back to April/May time frame.
- Breakers need to move up their tryouts due to our D3 schedule. Breakers moved up U14G, U18G, U17G
- Still have the following after our tryouts:
 - U15G, U18B, U16B, U14B, U15B
 - Top Soccer Requesting funds for their club. A grant of up to \$4,700 was approved.
 - Mentoring program for Refs was approved last year. Clubs will pay the \$25.00 fee to the Mentors. Class is scheduled and still try to decide on how many games each ref will have an mentor for (2 unless, the mentors feel more are needed). No amount of time before you may become a mentor must take the class.
 - Arbiter meeting Feb 13th.
 - Ref uniforms Yellow is still the color for the league. Have sample for ref class for Bob.

Watsonville Field Option

11 Acres 3 Full Fields 2 U10 and lots of parking.

Good for 10 – 20 years but it is commercial land.

Lease is \$600.00 per acre per month. Also option on another 30 acres. All clubs would need to pay for this if we do it.

Spring Soccer site has info on it. Fields for games will be available at first come.

Coaching license:

U9 F license does not need to upgrade at U9.

U10 and above E/D (start with F and move each year).

Asst coaches F

Next meeting bring list of D3 coaches for approval.

D4 paperwork from last year needs to go to league storage.

Coaches course are scheduled.

D – Fee of \$250.00 per coach rest paid by league. (They are going to check on this as last year we did not charge).

VOTE on U12 REC ONLY and below going to US Soccer trial for a year: Yes: none NO: all, table for next meeting and see what Aptos does.

President's Report: No Report

Vice President's Report: No Report

Treasurer Report's: Val Walters 10,000 in bank, everything is fine, all checks of cleared

Secretary Report: Shooting Star another three year contract, 10/10 picture day. Voted yes to approve another three year contract.

Registrar Report: Linda has used the new system and likes it, improved on line system easier to use registration form for parents, page at end for receipt, area for what happens now, we put in our info for parents and can use credit cards, and we can customize it. Reg. letter from last year, change dates and add new online reg. Linda would like to get out quickly, postage is going up. Data entry and credit cards makes it easier.

Division 3 Coordinator: Kelly Binger gave report:

- D3 tryout dates April 18- May3, deadline for players out of area May 5.
- Martha secured fields for D3 tryouts.
- D3 coaches meeting in Feb. and March
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New Business: Scholarships, what is available for scholarships, dollar amount limit and bring scholarship numbers for next year, Bob feels because of the economy there may be more , Barbara bring letter for scholarships D3 players come from stipend

Year Calendar:

- Ref. classes in February
- E coaching clinic in February
- Combining Arbiter, discuss February meeting
- Walk in registration in spring good turn out for weeknight, not for weekend. Linda & Bob work on registration letter to review in February and distribute in April. Letter needs to go out before D3 tryouts. Need the cutoff day.
- Coaches meeting in July at Best Western with the same format as last year, coaches that come early get first dibs at fields.
- CYSA convention in March 5-7th, shopping soccer demo.
- Soccer season tentatively starts 9/12-11/21. SC Classic same time as last year.
- Try to get picture day earlier in the season.
- Try to book Soquel High field for last part of the season for rain outs. Noted that Mid County is only league without turf field.

D3 Coaches Approval:

- KB Nothing to report, field rentals for April and May need to be scheduled by Martha for tryouts
- D3 coaches all approved, need to approve asst. still, Bob questioned openings on girl U16 there still isn't a coach, Boys need U11, U14,

Old Business: Coaching Coordinator, Bob Veach Paul and Frank from Catalyst for coaches on how to run a tryout, Bob needs to get a field, Anna Jean starts in March, Soquel High would be best do to weather, 105 for Soquel field do it with Catalyst. Good will gester for all clubs, we need to know dates of field availability, 1-4 on Sat. 3/14. Martha will ask for 3/14 for Soquel field, 1-4. Check another date 3/28.

NEW BUSINESS:

Calendar items, Coaches meeting: last Wednesday of July 29, Date for D3 meeting, Barb will check avail. Need to figure out fields for next year, including Soquel high for next fall, can't do it this far out, take whatever openings they have, try to get from noon on. Email Martha dates

D3 tryouts: dates have been scheduled

Aptos Club Broadening relationship: Kelly is working on that relationship, merge talk about 4 years ago, they have been short 22 board members, some paid positions, lots of money, Do we have any interest in joining there club, they charge more to play, about 135, pay refs at U8 and younger lots of good fields, Aptos high free of charge, should we consider merging, more kids, more fields, PV will now have to pay for the fields, fields will not be free. Kelly thought good for the D# teams more competition for D3, Fun club, all current D# same, separate some ages and merge some, grow your teams, everyone has U9 teams, start talking for next year but not this year...start keeping the communication open. Stronger alliance.

Volunteer Coordinator Position:

Sponsorship Coordinator Proposal: Bob Veach, Mike Griffin and Barbara Griffin met in early January to discuss the possibility of the league having a new position for Sponsorship Coordinator. The position could possibly be a paid position and would need a job description. An extreme decline in the number of sponsors for teams has been challenging for the league. The league at one time had close to 60 sponsors and in 2007, 34 sponsors and only 21 sponsors in 2008. This number did not include D3. The idea needs to be discussed in further detail at next meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 with next meeting scheduled for 3/10/09. Bob Veach will prepare the agenda.