



AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION

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BURLINGAME AYSO BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board to administer 2020 Season in the time of COVID

DATE: August 12, 2020, 7:30pm-8:30pm

LOCATION: A Zoom with a view

PREPARED BY: Nick Skelton, Secretary

Attendees:

- Jacquie Haggarty, RC & U12DC
- Alex Wong, Treasurer
- Duff Beach, Coach Admin
- Niki Armstrong, Ref Admin
- Jean Gordon, Registrar
- Gary Rainville, Uniforms
- Eliot Alfi, Regional Safety Director
- Jim Brogan, CVPA
- Bill Clifford, Webmaster
- Nick Skelton, Secretary
- Adam Glass, Spring Fields Coordinator
- Aleks Kruminis, Winter Select Coordinator
- Andrew Haskell, U16/18 DC
- Neil Chalasini, U14 DC
- Brian Anderson, U12DC
- Adam Glass, U12DC
- Chandra Lund, U7DC
- Jamie Russo, U7DC
- Christina Tsui, U10DC
- Trent Wright
- Rick Sandor

1. Call to Order - meeting called to order at 7:30pm; attendees as listed above.
2. General Announcements
 - a. JH: City Field Meeting - pushed to 8/13 so no definitive word yet on field availability
 - i. City to open fields in accordance with recently released State guidelines
 - b. JH indicated that Burlingame Parks and Rec have announced after-school sports program and is looking for staff to run the activities
 - i. cross country
 - ii. Volleyball (!?!?)
 - iii. Flag Football
 - iv. Tennis
 - c. JH has submitted a draft protocol to the City for approval
 - i. small training groups of 20 or less with coach:player ratio of 10:1 or less
 - ii. training sessions only
 1. endurance
 2. agility
 3. coordination
 4. ball control
 5. passing
 - iii. Each child to bring own ball, hand sanitizer and water

- iv. Everything socially distant
 - v. Parents to provide pre-session health monitoring of their own kids
 - d. Update on 2N and 2B Area meeting last week (Eliot Alfi)
 - i. 2N and 2B U16 and U19 inter-Region play
 - ii. 2B not optimistic about doing anything before Oct 2020
 - iii. Regions in 2N have plans that vary from completely cancelling fall season through waiting for school decisions to be made to having practice-only seasons
 - iv. Area Board plans to not do anything now but will meet again in late October to re-consider whether to hold any kind of inter-Region program this year (and even that may be skills-only competition)
- 3. Fall program planning
 - a. Coach survey sent to ~100 parents who expressed some interest in coaching from previous survey
 - i. 33 replies; 57% willing to coach; 26% maybe
 - ii. few positive responses 10U and below; better at 12U-18U
 - iii. Will need to actively recruit more coaches
- 4. Discussion of whether to continue with Fall program
 - a. Eliot
 - i. reservations that kids will abide by the rules
 - ii. some coaches may not be willing / able to enforce the rules
 - iii. coaches to 20 players seems like a low ratio; lower would be better (JH - could also have parent volunteers to act as Safety Monitors; will require Safe Haven etc)
 - iv. not in favor; AYSO should be able to provide a safe environment and this is not guaranteed right now
 - b. Nick
 - i. behavioral contract that kids, parents and coaches must abide by; ask participants to leave if they do not abide by the rules
 - c. Duff
 - i. many coaches could handle this; some may not (how to identify the latter ahead of time...); start with U14 U16 U18 and maybe u12
 - ii. Board supervision of the first few sessions?
 - iii. Real problem with kids not being able to interact with their peers; not sure how to balance this vs. COVID risks
 - iv. What level of certification will be required for coaches? May not need full amount but at least focus on coaches with some experience
 - d. Neil
 - i. at least this provides a relatively safe way for kids to get exercise; don't have to participate if kid / parent not happy
 - e. Alex W.
 - i. benefits vs. risks; other Regions clearly don't see the benefit
 - f. Jim B
 - i. what is the purpose of the program? It will be really hard for coaches to enforce rules
 - g. Jacqui:
 - i. we are a community-based sports organization
 - ii. we should still look to provide an opportunity for kids to get exercise and be active whilst also providing community-based interactions, especially as for the

next few months at least, kids will be spending lots of time at home by themselves in front of a computer

5. JH proposal:
 - a. continue to get more information; update board tomorrow after B'game City Fields meeting tomorrow
 - b. Continue to refine protocol for starting program
 - i. feedback from City
 - ii. field availability
 - iii. input from discussion above
 - iv. likely start 9/12 if we do go ahead
 - c. We need to decide how our Region will make this decision (no vote tonight)
 - i. Email follow up with more details on this

MEETING END (at 8:20 PM)