



AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION

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Region 872 Board Meeting Minutes
Depot - Reed City, MI
Aug 20, 2017 4:00pm

- ❖ Attendees - Dale Hall, Shelly Hall, Brent Sible, Angel Sible, Marcie Larr, Chris Hanson, Jullie Taubitz
- ❖ Approval of Minutes - The June minutes were approved. The July minutes were approved with a correction to the ref admin section.
- ❖ Reports
 - RC
 - Brent discussed items that were presented at the Area Meeting yesterday. Brent and Angel went down to represent our region at the meeting. AYSO is testing a new ball design that is less bouncy. Grant will actually be testing it. It is to keep the ball more on the ground for prevention of concussion.
 - There will be a U10 rule change presentation in Sand Lake on Aug 22. People are welcome to attend to get a better understanding. Dale is planning on attending.
 - There will be zero tolerance for coaches (or parents) talking back to referees. Since there are many new rules, we realize that there will be confusion but that is no excuse to talk back to refs. We need to educate our parents.
 - For interplay, the traveling team's coach must make contact with the other coach by Wed before the game on Sat. If not, the home team coach is to call by Thurs. They must confirm the date and time and place of play.
 - Treasurer - There is \$19401.77 in the account. Big bills are coming (about \$4500 uniforms and \$7500 fundraiser chocolate)
 - Registrar - No issues that have not been dealt with
 - CVPA - There is an issue with the Coach admin not being able to see the volunteers' status. She will try and get it resolved.
 - Safety Dir -
 - The goals at the Hersey field were missing the anchors after AYSO camp. New ones have been ordered. The goals were moved and locked together to prevent them tipping. They will be in place with new anchors by the 28th.
 - An idea to educate parents is to have some banners made to post at the fields (large ones). Chris is coming up with a prototype.



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- All the field addresses and training place addresses are in the system for insurance purposes.
- Coach Admin -
 - We are still searching for a U8 Boy coach. Many parents are unwilling to help out.
 - Marcie will finish her term as Coach admin in Nov and will not take the position for the next term.
- Ref Admin - On the 25th of Aug there is a U8 training session to be held in Tustin at the Church. On the 26th there is a basic ref class. All youth volunteer refs must have a mentor to accompany them.
- Director of Ref instruction. - none
- Uniform Coordinator - none
- Field Coordinator.
 - There will be 2 Port O Johns for each of the Tustin and Hersey fields.
 - The fence near the parking area in Tustin is falling down. The church would like a split rail system. Brent will research the cost.
 - Brent would like to limit the play on the fields to group specific for that field (i.e. U12s on U12 fields only, U10s on U10 fields only, U8s on U8 fields only, U14s on U14 field only). There was a discussion and it was deemed that we cannot control where the coaches choose to have their practices. The signup sheet that is now on the web site will help limit the number of people that are in an area at any one time. This is the first year with the sign up on the web site and it may need to be monitored a bit more if there are overlaps or people do not bother to sign up and show up at a space that is already booked.
 - The field at Hersey took a beating during AYSO Camp. May choose to have it at a different location next year.
 - We still need to contact the village of Hersey to talk to them about field usage. Jullie is working on this but having difficulty getting in touch with the city Manager.

❖ Old Business

- Fundraiser - Fundraiser details are set. The chocolate is being delivered to the NewBees Daycare center in Reed City on Wed the 23rd. Coaches will pick up on Mon the 28th from 5:30-7pm. Money (only - no chocolate) will be returned to the Depot on Sunday Oct 1 from 3-5. The coaches will receive the incentives in exchange for funds. We are buying 250 boxes this year. We will receive 270 boxes (20 incentive boxes).



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❖ New Business

- Nominating Committee - Brent wanted to get this started and will head it up. He will gather the committee including some from the board and some from outside of the board.

❖ Closing Remarks /Open Floor

- The next meeting is Sept 17th at 4pm at the Depot in Reed City