

## **Area Meeting 3/3/10**

### **Present**

Mike Morrissey, John Hart, John Maltester, Randy ?, Debbie Snedeker, Gabriel Zepeda, Travis Behn, Cathy Corum

### **General Information**

Pittsburg's RC has to move out of the area and the rest of the board members have quit, Mike is unsure of the future of Pittsburg AYSO. At this time they still owe \$700 in fees.

The coach training was held with 20-30 people. Hopefully, the roster has been submitted/finalized via eayso.

All copies of volunteer forms need to be submitted to National. Area board members should submit their forms via their home region.

### **Treasurer Report - Budget**

Select may run in the red this year. A brief discussion was held about the rest of the financial statement, which was then approved.

### **Referee Report**

John Maltester has retired at this point, but his replacement has not been found. The person that was being considered has lost his job and is unable to take on the responsibilities at this time. Some other people were brought up as possibilities with no firm decisions. Qualified applicants would need to be a National Referee with USSF cross certifications. The applicant would need to have knowledge of the upper echelon of both disciplines.

A few people were able to get assessed during Concord Cup and have completed their badge upgrades.

### **Coach Report - John H.**

Golden Gate Camp will be held in Belmont again this year, July 16–18. Area will pay for three referee applicants from 2C regions, excluding PHMSA and MDSA.

Area will hold another mini camp this year, December 4 and 5. DVC has been contacted to be the location. It is an ideal setup with classrooms very close to the field. If possible, an Advanced Referee class could be held, especially if people take the Intermediate class at Golden Gate Camp. UK Soccer wants to have a Kids Camp at the Area mini camp. It would give parents a place to have their kids while they are in class.

### **Select**

Doug was not available. A discussion ensued about participation with 2D for next year still iffy. It was suggested that a two year break from interaction be held. The down side

to that is a lack of teams for the U16/U19 brackets to play. It was further suggested that a round robin be held half way through the season to bring together all the U16/U19 teams for a weekend event. Possibly a jamboree where all the players are mixed onto different teams and then play two to three games on one day.

### **NAGM – Nation Annual General Meeting**

Representatives from PHMSA and Concord AYSO will attend. Heather Schaefer will be carrying proxies for four regions.

Mount House is starting a region. They hope to have 300–400 participants in all age brackets. This started a discussion about U16 pure vs. all U16/U19 combination teams.

### **Fall Registrations**

American Canyon has 214 and expects to be lower than last year. Concord is low right now, but is hoping to have late registrations bring totals close to last year. Walnut Creek has 100 more than last year. They only accept online registrations via GotSoccer. They do fingerprinting at the meetings. Mt. House is using National's online pay options. PHMSA gives priority to volunteers that have pre-registered. They do not have to stand in line. American Canyon is using Lifescan for monitoring volunteers.

Kurt Ecklund will be doing the inter-play schedule this year. Field and team information needs to be to Kurt by July 15. The U16/U19 bracket will begin play on August 21.

### **Tournament dates for 2010-2011**

Diablo Cup – March 12/13

Select March 19/20

PHMSA – Boys, March 26/27; Girls, April 2/3 (PHMSA will mirror Comstock in regards to Boys or Girls weekend order)

Easter will be late in 2011, so Comstock dates are still up in the air.

Ft. Bragg holds a Halloween tournament

### **Flex**

MDSA has turned in the application for Flex. PHMSA and Concord AYSO have started the application process. MDSA has registered with US Club Soccer and will be the administrator for the Area. Dave Lonestar will be the Area representative. Fees have been set at \$100/player. Coaches will have to participate in the fall season in some capacity. Same for referees. Flex will open possibilities for assessments.

Area in Southern CA – all the regions participate. For AU19 they have 1 1/2-2 hours of drills and then a one hour scrimmage. It was asked if National has statistics on how many club teams there are. No one in Northern CA has Flex, yet. Davis is looking to start a program and hoping for interplay.

It is being suggested that the amount of regular season games played be increased from 50% to 70% to be eligible to participate in Flex.

## **American Canyon Tournament**

American Canyon is looking for input on putting together a tournament. They are losing players to club (NorCal Premier) and want to offer something more for the players. It would be a fund-raising opportunity for both the region and the high school sports program. It would be held on high school grass field and two turf fields. The first week in June was suggested as that is after all the other tournaments and before school gets out. The school district is concerned about insurance. Insurance can be obtained through US Club Soccer.