

DISTRICT VII MEETING

MINUTES

March 11th, 2020

The District Commissioner brought the meeting to order at 7:32pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: District Commissioner, Asst District Commissioner, Referees, Recreation, D7PP, Leagues: 2,7, 8, 9, 10, 11,13,15, 16,18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24,26.

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Sect-Treasurer, Registrar, Coaching, Rules & Revision, Cup.

GUESTS: Hannah Beaumont, Andrew Beaumont (Mountain), Luke Perry, Heather Perry (Kingsburg), Tom Metry (Roosevelt).

MINUTES: M/S/C TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12, 2020.

Unanimous

YOUTH REFEREES OF THE YEAR

Pat introduced the Youth Referees of the Year:

Hannah Beaumont – female youth referee from Mountain

Luke Berry – male youth referee from Kingsburg.

Each reported a little about themselves and took questions before Pat handed them District merchandise.

REPORTS

REGISTRAR: John reported the first of two workshops had taken place at Clovis and been well attended. The second is to be held March 21st in D7 office. Some Leagues have submitted interest in this workshop but not all Leagues have entered to attend either workshop. Those not down to attend need to attend this second workshop. A further refresher workshop may be put on closer to the start of registration.

TREASURER: An office report was submitted. There were no questions. John stated that there was still some outstanding money.

CUPS: John congratulated the D7 teams who got to the finals and those who won the Founders Cup and Association Cup brackets. A list of winners and runners-up was handed out.

TOP SOCCER: Vacant

RECREATION: Karl submitted a written report informing the group about his Coach of the Year – Skip Moss. Skip was not able to attend the meeting, so Karl asked Andrew Beaumont to act as stand-in coach

to answer some questions. Andrew had taken Karl's course 12 years previously and was asked to explain if it was useful and how relevant it was to coaching today. Andrew confirmed very useful as the current US Soccer coaching does not quite cover the child who needs help to be motivated. Coach Karl had given him tools to keep those individuals motivated while playing and practicing the game.

ODP: No report

COACHING: The District coaching policy was in with the handouts to cover questions asked at February's meeting. John reminded the group that if anyone wanted to hold any courses or were looking for courses to attend, to contact the Office.

REFEREES: Pat reminded all that the list of courses is found on CNRA.net. Anyone participating has to complete the course on-line before doing the field assessment, 18s or over must also complete a live scan. John reminded the group that there was an option that a League(s) could carry out the on-line part of the course in a classroom setting. CYSA had got hold of laptops to use. Let the office know if anyone is interested in doing this. AB5 (law regarding contractors) has put discussions about CYSA referee courses on hold all will stay as is for the time being. Referee courses was to be discussed at the AGM/Expo weekend, but that was now cancelled. John requested all to continually be looking out for next year's referees and coaches of the year.

D7PP: Anne reported District Spring League had started, there had been a couple of issues and was aware one League wanted to bring up one such issue. Robert Rodriguez (PYSL) reported that a referee was not going to allow his team to play due to 2 players not having their jersey numbers printed on the game card. Anne confirmed D7PP stated mandatory for players names and CYSA ID# to be printed and at meetings suggested preferable for jersey numbers to be in the GotSoccer system but was not mandatory. An email would be sent to all hosting leagues and referee assignors regarding jersey numbers.

RULES AND REVISIONS: Rule changes John had asked to be discussed at the AGM were deemed to not meet the rules regarding timeframes for submission prior to the AGM. John explained the CYSA Office had in error placed the AGM too early and he was going to petition to all Districts' Leagues. However, the CYSA BOD voted to postpone the AGM due to Covid-19 virus. The AGM, according to CYSA byelaws, must be held between January 1st and May 31st of each year. The Expo and League Presidents workshops can be held at any time. CYSA Office is looking to see if they can breach their byelaws and hold the AGM after May 31st. The change to the AGM date means the rules and revisions submitted are now within the correct timeframe.

COMMISSIONER: John explained he is getting numerous emails regarding Youth Soccer and Covid-19 virus. There is currently no restrictions on play other than Inter-State travel, and he does not believe that means between North and South California but likes of California and Texas etc. The ODP event in Vegas US Soccer has cancelled. CCSL run by District 2 is also cancelled due to the county banning gatherings of 1000 people or more. There are memos regarding safe practice. John asked all to ensure their coaches were aware. For example, no handshakes; if any child is unwell do not let them attend practice or games until better.

League Affiliation money is mostly in, please pay any outstanding.

League Directories – please check your League’s page and ensure everything is correct. Let the Office know if there needs to be any amendments.

John confirmed the CYSA Expo and AGM were cancelled for this coming weekend (March 14th) and the new date for the AGM would be confirmed when agreed.

OLD BUSINESS: Outstanding Office assessments and meeting fines need to be paid.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request by Ryan Marquez (EFYSL) for League representatives to hold a workshop to discuss playing options in D7 for the Fall. Ryan explained why he was hoping to hold the workshop and asked if any/all were in accordance with holding a workshop. All present agreed it would be useful to hold such a meeting and to include some extra League individuals to get buy in of any decisions made. John stated he would work with Ryan to gather some dates for this workshop(s) to be held and an email would be sent from the D7 office.
2. Tom Metry (RYSL) requested if an additional league person could be emailed regarding the date of the meeting. This was raised to try to ensure any Leagues with new Presidents were not fined due to missing a meeting as information had gone to the ‘old’ President. If more than one individual was aware of the meeting there was better chance of someone attending. John stated if any League would like to add an additional invitee to the email list held by D7 office then please email the D7 office with the name and email address of that individual and they will be added. John reminded all that any change of Officers, D7 office must be informed immediately using the Change of Officers form and include all who need insurance cover.
3. Diego Haro (D7pp Chair/ Asst DC) informed the group that he had discussed with Bruce Sillars CCSL about increasing the amount of competitive play between bordering Districts, e.g. District 8. Diego is also in discussion about having a South Valley High School program where the High School coaches would join CYSA.

GOOD OF THE GAME:

John has had complaints regarding California Youth Sports Management (CYSM) and is currently investigating CYSM. If anyone has any information about CYSM please could they sent it to him or the Office, as Linda is collating a folder on them and this would help with the investigation. The complaint is around League boundaries and so a copy of the boundary restrictions is in the handouts. A group has been practicing in Clovis but are not of Clovis League. John reminded all that he could not stop CYSM from holding camps, but these camps are not covered by CYSA insurance. Robert Woodley (NFYSL) asked what the Fresno Boundaries are as High School boundaries change. A map of the boundaries will be brought to the April meeting. If any boundaries need to be changed that will need a workshop to get agreement and byelaw changes for Leagues. Players are not restricted to boundaries – if a player signs in Hanford but lives in Fresno they should practice in Hanford.

There being no further discussion, meeting was adjourned at 9:04pm

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Hodgson, D7PP