

High School Soccer Program Committee Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2014 7:30pm to 9:42pm

(Tommy Lo presides. Mauricio Coreas, Chris Siple, Mary Bevis, Justin Wilt, Bob Bigney, Michael Swisher, Justin Hall, Steve Lent, and Karen McCann attend.)

1. Volunteer to take minutes -- Chris Siple took the minutes
2. Transition of Program Chair -- This was effected at the last ASA Board meeting.
3. Approval of minutes -- approved
4. Review of previous ASA Board meetings (Justin Hall) -- The budget was passed, including the HS request. New players will have to submit documentation to establish proof of age; this is described in the registration system. The ASA website is overloaded and a redesign is imminent. The County is encouraging about the possibility of obtaining a dome for indoor soccer. A fundraising coordinator was hired. Board elections were held, and the three new at-large members are Tony Klapper, Dan Lopez, and Sharon Davidson.
5. Spring Warmup Recap -- It went well. About 40 participants, mostly boys. Players should be encouraged to go. Outreach to the high schools may be a good idea.
6. Spring Season Recap (Mauricio Coreas and Chris Siple) -- Went well; fewer issues than in previous seasons. The committee did not want to establish a policy for what to do if one team is playing short; it's left to the discretion of the coaches. The "pool practice" idea was broached again, and we're going to bring it up at the coaches' meetings for their input.
7. Focus Group Recap (Michael Swisher) -- Only girls attended the session. The players like the no-pressure climate of Rec soccer. The social aspect is important. There are many other activities that compete with soccer. The players liked choosing their own uniforms. They liked silent soccer. Oranges and watermelons at halftime would be nice! A school contact might help with recruiting. A discussion of possibilities was engaged in at this meeting, and the following were suggested: IB program coordinator, HS coaches, PE teachers, school activity fair coordinators.
8. Timing of Charter -- It takes effect July 1.
9. Fall & Spring Season Calendar -- Mary sent the Fall calendar out; we'll discuss the Spring warmup date at our next meeting.
10. Fall Tournament
 - a. Set calendar and request fields -- Justin W will request fields for 11/15-16.

- b. Select tournament coordinator -- Defer until 8/7, when a meeting will be held on the Fall tournament at 7:30 at the ASA HQ. Could be Karen McCann.
 - c. Some ideas were broached (call it a "playoff", etc.) but no decisions taken.
11. Coach Gifts -- Mauricio and Tommy Lo will work on making shirts for coaches.
 12. Anti-Gang Task Force tournament -- Not looking for players from the HS program specifically, but could use adult volunteers to help run it. Mauricio will attend and let this tournament's players know how they can join ASA.
 13. Staff Report -- Registration is open.
 14. Open Discussion -- There could be more HS presence at the awards dinner. Michael Swisher is leaving the HS Committee, will talk to Teto to sound out as replacement.
 15. Future Meeting Dates:
 - a. August 7 @ 7:30 PM at the ASA HQ to discuss the Fall tournament
 - b. September 9 is the next HS Committee meeting
 - c. November 18 is the HS Committee meeting after that