

Arlington Soccer Association
Rec Committee Meeting
March 10, 2015 7:30 pm

Attendees

Justin W. (ASA Executive Director), John M. (Rec Chair & NWL), Matt C. & Bryan K. (TOR), David G. (LGT), Liz MM (Revs), Mary B. (ASA Staff), Dan F. (REC Czar), Chuck S. (Civ)

1. **Notetaker** – Liz MM (Revs)
2. **February minutes** approved
3. **Age Group Assistants (AGA):** Rec managers should include the AGA for issues involving 5th & 6th grade boys. AGAs will be in touch with the managers regarding teams with too few or many players. Discussion on when divisions can be closed followed; John will review the rules on when teams can be closed.
4. **Team Size:** Rec managers agreed to follow the ASA set sizes for different age groups. Discussion on if it is better to have too many or too few players. More playing time if there are fewer players, concern about closing teams and excluding late comers. Rec committee agreed kindergarten team sizes should be 12 players.
5. **Discovery Elementary:** Committee was leaning towards putting the school with the Optimists (who did not have a rep at the meeting), dependent on learning more about the redistricting from Bryan. Optimists are a small club comparatively and currently have only one elementary school. The geography also works to include Discover with Optimists. John has been in touch with the parent liaison from Discovery, and plans to discuss with them in April. John will suggest a parent at Discovery be one of the co-managers of the Optimists. Bryan said he would look into the distribution of student losses at other schools.
 - **Discovery is built for 600 students but will likely be in the 550 range.** Jamestown will loose 150, Nottingham will loose 348 and Taylor will loose 50 students..
6. **Justin Stuff.**
 - **Practice permits:** Get them in soon, in pdf, so they can be posted on the web. Kudos to Dave G. for getting it already. No equipment to teams without practice permits completed.
 - **Budget:** There will be \$5 increase in registration fees (which is less than the initial \$10 proposed). This is the first increase in 3 years.
 - **Proof of Age Requirement:** Requested any feedback to help gauge for how many grades to make this a requirement next season.
7. **Dan Stuff:** Has been able to place unassigned coaches and its been a good way to make an introduction. The clinics have full participation and individuals seem excited.

8. **Odds and Ends.** Mary said that March 18th is the deadline for special requests for bye weeks. Dan is going over the rules with a fine tooth comb to update. Short discussion on the ART tournament. Dick's coupons were handed out for distribution to coaches.
9. **Next Meeting: Pizza meeting on March 18^h, 6:00.**