

Solanco Youth Soccer Association

Tuesday, March 9, 2010

Monthly Meeting

Call to Order:

- President John Dyson called the meeting to order at 6:33pm at Solanco HS Room 234
- In attendance: VP Tom Rath, Past President Kim Ranck, Treasurer/Webmaster Brian Parisan, Boys Intramural Representative Kim Root, Registrar Kelli Rath, Jen Modderman, Andrew Modderman, Secretary Denise Balliet, Travel Representative Bob Boule, In-house coordinator Dina Lilly, Chris Salisbury, Heather Pannell, Kevin Kowal, Pete Curran, Bob Landis Jr., David Deter, Pete Briggs, Steve Walker, Gary Clark, Julie Korenkiewicz, John Dolan
- February minutes not available due to cancellation of meeting. January minutes were approved at an officers' meeting in February.
- Treasurer's report approved
- U6 Teams: U6 teams will play 3v3 and practice on Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm for about an hour. Brian will post on the web site when the fields will be available and practices are to begin. The fields are too wet with snow at the point and we need to stay off until given permission. Coaches are to stress the correct way to kick the ball and dribble. It is also a good idea to teach the proper way to do a throw-in.
- U8 Teams: U8 teams will play 4v4 with no goalies. This is a change from previous years and will give the individual kids more ball time. Practices will be Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm to about 7:30 pm. Again, consult the web site and keep off the fields until we are officially permitted. Do not hesitate to contact the board if help with coaching is needed.
- Tom briefly went over the coaches' manuals. It is important that the coaches, assistant coaches and team parents go to the EPYSA website and fill out risk management ASAP. In the manuals are copies of the newsletter for each player, schedules, coach contact information and conflict dates for the fields. Medical forms for players are present as well which must be filled out and kept on file with the coach for the children to play. Coaches will receive one-half off their children's registration fees if they attend two SYSA monthly meetings. Coaches will decide whether to play games in rainy weather but should not practice on rain days in order to maintain the fields. Please consult the coaches corner at our website - a lot of useful information is available there for coaches.
- Travel Update: We have one travel team. Bob needs the paperwork ASAP. The paperwork is due March 18. There is a mandatory coaches meeting next Wednesday.
- Girls Intramural Update: no report - Fran is attending the meeting.
- Boys Intramural Update: Kim Root attended the Intramural Rep. meeting. There is still some discussion about maximum roster size. The season will run from April 10 to June 5 with Memorial Day weekend off. It was stressed that coaches support the referees and allow the referee to handle the games. We need to portray a positive image as part of SYSA. The red card rule as well as the romp rule will be enforced. Hopefully the playing levels will cut down on the enforcement of the romp rule. Minicamps for soccer held at LANCO field house were mentioned. These may be helpful for player development. The information is on the Lanco website.

Business:

- Summer Camp: UK Soccer will conduct a summer camp at Solanco High School July 26-30. Professional coaches/players from the UK will be running the camp. SYSA players who participated in the Fall 2009 and Spring 2010 seasons are offered a substantial discount. The out of pocket cost for 5-6 year olds is \$25 (instead of \$75) and the cost for older players is \$57.50 (instead of \$115). We need to push the camp - it is a great opportunity for our players.
- Fundraiser for Spring 2010: The only spring fundraiser will be a Basket Bingo to be held on May 1st. It is important to encourage participation so SYSA can keep costs for players low.
- Coach Development: We need to get a count on how many coaches would be interested in obtaining training and a license. Please let John know who is interested.
- Field Maintenance: John will help line the fields the first time. Coaches, assistant coaches and volunteers need to pitch in and help.
- Volunteers: Melissa Moatts is looking for volunteers to help solicit businesses for donations. Please call if you or someone you know can help. Her contact information will be posted on the website.
- Open Forum: Andrew Modderman is offering to conduct a goalie clinic for boys and girls of various ages. A flyer outlining his program has been made up. We just need to work on dates and times. Kim Root will be getting more information about free concussion screenings for older players. Team photo dates are to be announced. We need U6/U8 end of season banquet ideas. Coaches - Please send in pictures of your team to be posted on the website.

Closing:

- Motion carried for the next meeting to be at Solanco HS room 234 on Tuesday 4/13/10 at 8:00p.m.
- Motion for adjournment was made and carried at 7:32 p.m.