



# Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2025

**In Attendance:** Mike Courtial, Kajsa Courtial, Melanie Aguilar, Ryan Carper, Lauren Carper, Nelson Brown, Landon Pikkell, Misti Beeson, Paul Kock, Jewel Miller

Meeting called to order 7:18PM

Approval of minutes: March minutes motioned for approval, approved as written by Kajsa.

## **UKI issue:**

Sessions are supposed to start at 5:30pm, trainers did not arrive until 6:15pm. Mike was contacted by a player's parent that there was no trainer. UKI said there are not enough players to make the sessions work, especially coming from LA with the time slots provided. We need to consider whether or not to keep UKI for all age groups. Do we drop them for all except kick start? ( \_\$32k for UKI, \$9k being for kickstart). Or have them help with Friday night training sessions and kick starts on Saturday mornings. Discussion of offering a hotel to only have them here Friday-Saturday for the ten weeks. Decision postponed to next month to allow us one more discussion with UKI about options.

## **Budget:**

Budget motioned for approval, approved as written by Jewel, Misti second.

- Increasing volunteer recognition to reflect both national office recommendations and approved increases in volunteer events - Yes, agreed
- Increased fees for area 10d per player - Yes, agreed
- Refund policy motioned for approval, approved

Policies and procedures, we need to add the new referee abuse policy and add that it also applies to board members and coaches. Should it be added to the coaches manual as well? Postponed approval so we can get the additional verbiage added.

### **Referee Admin:**

Referee motto - INTEGRITY!

Discussion of AED, defibrillator trainings as it is now California law.

We have a disciplinary tab in sports connect, that national team wants us to utilize, however it is still in the works. This will be a better way to track volunteers actions and occurrences.

If anyone causes an issue with a youth, there is a 6 game suspension! Always make sure we take verbal abuse policy seriously!

### **CVPA:**

Reminder that safe sport is done every 15 months

### **Coach Admin:**

Beneficial training at expo, suggests a new registration method for coaches needed / waitlisted players.

After the first month of registration, players will be waitlisted until there are coaches for those players.

(Recommendation from section 10). Noted that he tracked the coaches handbook sent out, 150 coaches for handbook, 30 opened, 12-15 using it.

### **Tournament Coordinator:**

Landon signed the region up for a social media platform to help boost social media presence . Suggested we start over new social media platforms as we don't have access to all accounts. Google workspace is partnered with national so if someone leaves he region has the access. (Can also create emails for certain board titles, such as RC, registrar, coach admin, cvpa, scholarship, coordinators.... All become qh638 property not tied to a person). Mojoplus - coaches manual into an app, training sessions, it is free! National will subsidize it so that the region can completely upload all information, we just need to control it entirely so that admin can only invite and make any changes. NOT allow anyone else to invite for security. Mojoplus is to be a primary use - no more GroupMe, Band, GameChanger, etc..

### **Expo:**

All that attended expo said they did learn a lot

### **Registration:**

Fall registration is open until 4/30. After that, all players will be waitlisted until we have coaches for those players. NEW, registration can be refunded back to credit cards, we will transition to a single account. Right now, we have a certain window for refunds, if the refund is outside of that window, a check must be written. Once we can refund directly to credit cards we are able to go back a year. Fall season will have EPIC cost is \$75 plus \$15 national fees - age range is at least 5 years old but no cap on age out. If there are any under 5, players can be enrolled in kickstart since a parent is needed to be there anyways. Coach interest form to be sent out, they must do it by 5/31 to be guaranteed their pair up. After that, there is no guarantee. As of 5/1, registrar can look at where numbers are to see players vs coaches and reevaluate waitlisted players. To be reviewed by May meeting, 5/14.

Ryan motioned to put all players that register after April 30th on a waitlist., Misti second.

Ryan and Misti will pair up with a few other board members/ coaches to schedule player evaluations but only after Ryan has input current evaluations. However, evaluations will be done for new players only.

### **Board Members:**

All board members need to register for their board position again, registrar created a new program in SportsConnect.

### **Shootout Tournament:**

Overall went well, only a few complaints about the tournament being 4 games.

Pros: liked DJ and how the tournament was run

Cons: need to organize Sunday a bit better next time

Firehouse subs will be giving us \$500 for the 25% donation

Outstanding invoices: Aerostar and City of Palmdale

2025 Kickmas, second weekend in December, 12/13-12/14. Mike will talk to LA Galaxy and AV Alta to coordinate them coming out to support, goalies and having championship involvement.

Discussions to be conducted about whether we have the tournament at Pelona Vista or Lancaster Soccer Complex. Conversations to be done with both locations to figure pros and cons and decide how to proceed with. Profit was about \$40k. Plan is to bank \$10k, \$5k for Kickmas and \$5k for shootout.

Presell sweatshirts again for Kickmas. We will use JW and MK again for Kickmas. We need to take care of match and incident reports better. As soon as a coach is ejected, we need a board member on it! We MUST have EMS at all our tournaments from now on.

### **Spring season:**

Nelson suggested that the tournament teams need to play more fairly when playing core teams.

Paul says spring is going pretty smooth so far however we need the "NO DOG" signs placed around the fields. Inventory to be done on sweatshirts and shirts so we can sell them cashless with QR code or zelle only, NO CASH. Social media posts and emails to advertise we have them for sale with cost. Possibly may move 6u/8u top east fields leaving 12us at North. If we proceed, field painting to be before 4/26 games.

### **Positions open:**

Extra Coordinator - candidate will get the word out there for the talent. Quality coaches and quality players. If the two are not there, there will be no extra.

Tournament director - position open

Allstar director - position open

(Need all separate coordinators as the task can be a lot)

Kajsa motioned to close the meeting at 9:28pm, Ryan seconded, none opposed