



AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION

AYSO Region 741 Board Meeting Minutes

Date: February, 12th 2026

Location: Remax Parkside, Paso Robles

The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by Regional Commissioner, James Lopez.

Present Board Members: James Lopez, Jackie Lopez, Josh Wittwer, Janthina Wittwer, Lisa Powell, Kacey Powell, Jennifer Phillips, Bryson Pesenti, Evelyn Costello, Lauren Aikenhead (Google Meet)

Non-Present Board Members: Kapri Edwards, Meghan Kirkish, Heather Silva

Non-Board Members Present: Chris Phillips, Taylor Buhl, Amber Buhl, Tauny Buhl, Carlos Garcia (Google Meet), Martin Meraz (Google Meet), JP Vega (Google Meet), Catilyn Peireini (Google Meet)

Treasurer's Report

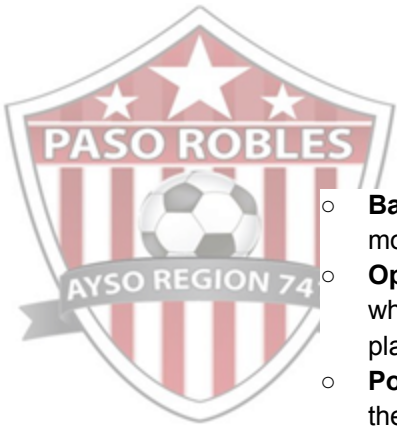
Jennifer Philips presented the financial report:

All Accounts are in the Green. Planning to meet about this season's budget at the next meeting.

- Reference Attached Treasurer Report
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RC Report

- We had a great All-star Season.
- U10 Girls going to Section was not discussed at the RC Level, RC was told they did not make it to the section tournament. Was not told it was due to any missing training.
- In previous years Area has told us having "In Progress" on our coaching license training has been acceptable.
- Proposed to add to Coach meetings that the "In Person" portion of the coach license is required for All-Star Coaches.
- RC would like all of us to review the Mission statement and six Philosophies for AYSO: The mission statement of the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) is to develop and deliver quality youth soccer programs that promote a fun, family environment. This is built on the foundation of AYSO's Six Philosophies, which include:
 - **Everyone Plays** - Our Region's goal is for Kids to play soccer, so we mandate that every child on every team must play at least half of every game.



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- **Balanced Teams** - Each year we form teams as evenly as possible, because it is fair and more fun when teams of equal ability play.
 - **Open Registration** - Our program is open to all children between the ages of 4 and 18 who want to register and play soccer. Interest and enthusiasm are the only criteria for playing.
 - **Positive Coaching** - Encouragement of player effort provides for greater enjoyment by the players and ultimately leads to better skilled and better motivated players.
 - **Good Sportsmanship** - We strive to create a safe, fair, fun and positive environment based on mutual respect, rather than a win at all costs attitude, and our program is designed to instill good sportsmanship in every facet of AYSO.
 - **Player Development** - We believe that all players should be able to develop their soccer skills and knowledge to the best of their abilities, both individually and as members of a team, in order to maximize their enjoyment of the game.
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- Rc Would like us to remember these statements and apply them to our interaction. When having a conversation, think of which six Philosophies can be applied? James' hope is that the next Board can embrace the AYSO Attitude!
 - James Lopez has resigned as Region 741 Regional Commissioner.
 - Moving into the Vote for the new Board Position. We will Identify Board positions, Write down who is interested in positions, Ratify, and the RC will Confirm/Select Final choices.
 - We will notify the absent members at the next meeting of Executive Board Positions.

2026 Board Members

Starting off with voting in Josh Wittwer as Regional Commissioner.

- Evelyn Costello Nominates
- Amy Aschle Seconds
- Josh Accepts and the Motion passes.

Identifying Interest in Executive Board Positions:

- Treasurer: Jennifer Phillips - Janthina Nominates, Evelyn Seconds, Jennifer Accepts.
- Registrar: Janthina Wittwer - Evelyn Nominates, Brysan Seconds, Janthina Accepts.
- CVPA: Lisa Powell - Janthina Nominates, Jackie Seconds, Lisa Accepts.
- Coach Admin 2 Nominees: Amy Aschle - Janthina Nominates.
Lauren Aikenhead - Brysan Nominates, Evelyn Seconds.
- Referee Admin: Evelyn Costello - Brysan Nominates, Janthina Seconds, Evelyn Accepts.
- Safety Director: Chris Spale - Amy Nominates, Lisa Seconds.

Josh (RC) Accepts Board Positions, Decided Amy Aschle will remain Coach Admin with Lauren Aikenhead as Assistant Coach Admin, All other Positions Approved.

- Janthina Motions to Ratify Positions.
- Jennifer Seconds.
- Motion carried unanimously.

Identifying interest in non-executive Board Positions:

- Assistant Regional Commissioner: Taylor Buhl - Josh Nominates.



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- Secretary: Amber Buhl - Lisa nominates.
- Fields Coordinator: Kacey Powell - Evelyn nominates.
- Assistant Coach Admin: Lauren Aikenhead - Josh Nominates.
- Assistant Registrar: Lauren Aikenhead - Janthina Nominates.
- Assistant Safety Director: Tauny Buhl - Josh nominates.
- Assistant Referee Admin: Brysan Pesenti - Evelyn nominates.
- Assistant CVPA: Lori Hannawalt - Lisa Nominates.

Josh (RC) accepts non-executive board positions.

- Josh motions to Ratify Positions.
- Amy seconds.
- Motion carried unanimously.

Positions will be posted soon.

New Business

- James' Last act as RC is to get a cashier check from Columbia bank to hand over to Josh so he can open an account at Chase Bank.
 - We have nothing on Auto Pay.
 - Transfer DIVY cards.
 - Transfer Stackpay
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 - Janthina would like a head count for EXPO this year to book hotel rooms. EXPO is in Pasadena, CA. from March 26th-29th. We would also like to get Assistant Roles certified if they can make it.
 - Lisa is going to inventory storage before the next meeting.
 - Need to start forming committees for the Paso Cup and Grape Crush Tournament.
 - In April all board positions will need to go into SportsConnect and Volunteer as a Board Member.
 - All Positions also need to be sure to complete/update Safehaven, Safesport, Concussion awareness, Sudden Cardiac Arrest, Regional Board member, Training for their position, Background check and Livescan.
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Meeting Adjourned at 8:30pm

Submitted by:

Lisa Powell, CVPA
AYSO Region 741