## AYSO Region 58 Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** December 5, 2022

**Time:** 7:30pm

**Location:** Zoom

## **Discussion Points:**

- 1) Approve Prior Minutes
  - a) Approved
- 2) League Playoffs
  - a) Just finished and went well
  - b) Tournament rules have been sent to all teams
  - c) We will see if we can get one turf field permit from 5pm to 7pm for the next two weeks
- 3) Good Sportsmanship Policy update
  - a) Tabled
- 4) Discrimination and Abuse Policy
  - a) The policy is meant to summarize the requirements of AYSO and make clear that volunteers must be in compliance before they begin the season
  - b) The policy should more clearly identify to whom reports of violations should be made a board member, CVPA, or RC
  - c) Players who are 18 and over should maybe be included if they are mandatory reporters
  - d) The title may need to be modified to better reflect the purpose of the policy
  - e) Minimum safety requirements should be met before coaches are given teams (fingerprinting, background check, safesport), although coach training may be done later based on training schedules
  - f) If we are going to give exemptions to people who are in the process of complying and need more time, we should document it in each case so we know what the expectations are and avoid people failing to comply altogether or repeating patterns of late compliance
  - g) Jay will take discussion into account and will circulate a new draft
- 5) Club Recruiting Policy
  - a) Schnider sent revised redline for discussion
  - b) Policy does not currently cover a volunteer providing player names to a club representative to recruit
  - c) What about club coaches who recruit players for club but also encourage them to stick with AYSO
  - d) Maybe make this a guideline instead of a policy?

- e) Main goal is to keep kids in the program and the policy should be flexible enough to allow for consideration of the facts in any situation
- f) Should be couched that in terms of keeping the region strong
- g) We want to maintain players in the region for the season and prevent them from leaving during the season
- h) We have no problem with club teams but when people are volunteering in the region we expect them to support the region and not promote outside programs
- 6) Additional Issues
  - a) Area playoffs for 12U and 14U are December 10th and 11th
  - b) 10U is December 17th
  - c) Championships are December 18th
  - d) On Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup>, David R. will be giving classroom portion of intermediate coach class by Zoom coaches will still have to take the field portion
  - e) In a situation where a player is sat an additional quarter in playoffs, the refs should note it and raise the issue with the ref tent immediately so that the RC, DC, RCA, or other person can look into it immediately
  - f) Recommendation that DCs send out a thank you message to all parents for their participation in the season and seeing who might be interested in volunteering as a ref, coach, on the board, or other capacity next year
  - g) We would like to do end of year survey and include asking coaches what month they would want their training to move up to the next level so we get some idea when most coaches are available
- 7) Next Board February 6th