



AYSO

February 5, 2024 Meeting Via Zoom

In Attendance: Jason, Valera, Amber, Chip, Donny, Laura, Chip, Melissa

Spring Season: Laura spoke with Nichole at the Rec. Center and she didn't see any conflicts with the spring schedule so we will plan on having the spring season in Williamsburg. Laura asked who main contact in Amana is that has been corresponding about field usage. Jason said Melissa was the point of contact. Danny suggested we could pay someone to paint the fields in the future in Amana if needed. Jason said there would only be 3 games to prep the fields so could be possibility.

Soccer Slam: Because of lack of volunteers, Soccer Slam will be in Tiffin. Jason suggested finding someone to paint the field for Soccer Slam and the Fields for the season.

Future of AYSO: Laura mentioned we should talk about the future of AYSO. The volunteer model is hard to sustain. Laura spoke with Nichole at the Rec. about having the Rec. take over the program where they can pay the refs. Jason said he wasn't sure of his future as RC as his kids are phasing out. We will continue to talk through the details. Potentially draft a letter to coaches to pass out to parents explaining situation.

Expo: Donny will be attending Expo. He will get with Tim to discuss the details. Valera and Jason will not be attending this year. Donny said when he attended last year, there were same issues with volunteering. Jason suggested a town hall meeting as a possibility to involve parents.

Training: Chip said they are looking for dates to do potential training for coaches. March 16th and March 23rd for 8U classes are possibilities. Reference for other soccer opportunities given to Laura to explore option is Iowa Soccer Association: iowasoccer.org

Action Items: Jason will start drafting a letter to send to coaches and parents explaining where we are with AYSO and how they can help. Letter to be sent to board members to help edit and contribute. It was suggested to pass letter out to coaches to give to parents.