

**Region 5 Board Meeting**  
**January 7, 2026**

**Location**

French Green Olive – 18330 Beach Blvd, HB, CA

**Attendees**

Nick Farkas, Annie Gomez, Mark Stevens, Sid Vargas, Mike Ramirez, Michelle Chittenden, Julie Reynolds, Alex Esquivel, Rusty Flum, Emmy Noris, Ariel Mejia, Matt Swenson, Jenn Paquette, Ariel Mejia, Mike Ramirez

Meeting start time 6:37pm

- Introduced Ariel Mejia – New Team Parent
- Nick – No area meeting this month.
  - Area Tourney this weekend
  - Unknown where sectional Tourney will be
- Emmy – will email treasurer report tomorrow.
  - Filled out forms for 1099s
  - \$4,799 - Current account
  - \$61,126 – Hi5 account
    - Refunds for Hi5? Need directions
    - Alex – Mike will handle Zelle and destroy checks
- Michelle – Snack Bar
  - In the red, down about \$3K due to Hi5
  - Got an assistant, Debbie Lang
    - Will help with stocking, cleaning
  - Will be open during the Spring
- EPIC Program Update
  - Need to find someone to lead the program, go to the EXPO to get certified
  - Ariel going to look more into the program
- No Ref or Coach update
- Julie - Registration
  - 2025 Registration – 615
  - 2026 Registration currently – 296
  - 8U tourney
  - 6U, Playground, Schoolyard, 10U & 12U girls will be on waitlist
  - Send email explaining waitlist
  - Send Sonny email asking if he wants upper divisions waitlisted
  - 8U, 10UB, 12UB will advise when they want their divisions waitlisted
- Divisions
  - Jenn – 34 kids in all divisions with no coaches
    - If needed, can do Jamboree style
  - Mark – Good
  - Alex – Good
- All Star Playoffs
  - Need ref volunteers
- Alex - Field Use

- Alex – put in permit app for Cox, Tamura, Plavan to start 1<sup>st</sup> Mon of Feb until May. 5pm until Dusk
  - FVSP – 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of March for games and 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of Feb for practices
- Juan - Equipment
  - Waiting for final count
- Matt – Board Polos
- Nick – EXPO March 28-29 in Pasadena.
  - Emmy will handle the hotel rooms (Hilton)
  - Everyone will register themselves and get reimbursed
- Matt – Spring awards? 8U and 10U get medals and everyone else gets pins
- Nick – 1<sup>st</sup> Touch
  - Met with Jack and decided we would go with the same program we had last year. Just want to do better job with signups
  - Eliminate them from All Star selections. Also, pick coaches earlier in the season to give them time to watch players on other teams.
- Nick – Ratings
  - Mark sent to Annie
- Matt – Photos
  - They also do awards. Trying to get a bundle and discount. House of Portraits.
- Alex – First Touch vs. Pro Touch
  - Matt, Alex prefers Pro Touch
- Alex – EXTRA
  - For Fall -13UB
    - Will need open tryouts end of Feb or earlier
    - Alex will be EXTRA Coordinator
    - Already have coaches

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm