San Angelo Soccer Association General Board Meeting 8/26/24

Purpose

The purpose of the San Angelo Soccer Association (SASA) shall be to foster and advance the cause of soccer within San Angelo, Texas and surrounding communities. SASA shall teach skills, techniques, and the rules of soccer, while keeping in mind soccer is a game for both ladies and gentlemen and one must have fun and practice good sportsmanship at all times.

Agenda

Call Meeting to Order
Mission and Vision Statement
Review of the Minutes
Treasurer's Report

Alfred Mendoza Dylan Moreno Alfred Mendoza Board Member

Board Members Present: Harold McKnight, Jessica Behringer, Lanna Hubbard, Alfred Mendoza, Drew Easton, Sydni Martinez, Sam Estrada, Kara Estrada, Monique Rodriguez, Sarah Montano, Dylan Moreno, Danny Castro

Office Manager: Miriam Trevino

Board Members not present: Julie Vasquez, Anita Gonzales, Alfonzo Gonzales

Call to Order: Alfred @ 6:36pm

Minutes of the AGM from 8/5/24 were handed out and reviewed:

Motion to Approve: Kara Estrada

Second to Approve: Monique

Vote: All approved/Motion approved.

Business since last meeting:

Board Positions/Financial Update – Alfred:

Sarah Montano is the new treasurer and she is reviewing all the financial records. We will have a report at the next meeting. She is looking at new banks for us to bank with. We are currently with Concho Educators right now. Alfred is still in discussions with the city on the water bill amounting to \$20,000. U7/U8 Boys position is open but Kara is serving as the interim.

Officer Manager Update - Miriam:

Field Reservations: She is working the September reservations. \$2600 from field rentals so far this season. There will be clipboards in the office that will have the La Liga schedule and the Academy schedule as well. We have one open field on Thursdays. This has been very popular and so far, successful. U6 fields will have to bring their own goals, U7 and up will have at least one goal.

Coaches are reaching out about having trouble reaching out parents. Please have the coach reach out to the office manager. We are reaching out to all the numbers on the GotSport. We are going to email out parents and ask them to make sure they have heard from a coach. We want to ensure that they want to still play. Registrar will review rosters if they lose a player and decide if we need to adjust the team rosters.

New Business:

Introduce New Treasurer - Alfred:

See above in financial update.

<u>Reschedule Process – Jessica:</u>

Jessica will use Jot form for commissioners to request reschedules for this season once the reschedule is set. All requests need to go through the registrar. We are limited on field availability for reschedules. Alfred may build another field to accommodate. U9/U10/U13 plus need TWO reschedules within the season. We reviewed the reschedule procedures and policies with commissioners.

Coach ID Cards – Alfred:

This fall season, we will have a coach ID cards. They need to have it at the fields. Coaches will pick up the cards from the office the week BEFORE the season starts or the first week in front of the ref room. The coach HAS To have everything completed to pick up the ID card. ID cards will be for head, assistant coaches and managers. Jessica will send out an email to all coaches. The board discussed what the consequences would be if a coach doesn't have the card. Do they forfeit? IF they do not have their lanyards, then they would have to pull it up on GotSport. The online option is NOT recommended because we need to have them with the lanyards. IF there is someone who is not registered, then the team will need have to forfeit. Coaches can ask another coach or board member to coach for them but they really should notify their commissioners.

Match Cards – Jessica:

This season we will be using match cards. The ref will check the match card with rosters and coach information. The home coach will sign the game cards. This will be how the refs will get paid. The coaches will still be inputting scores through GotSport. Danny will pass them out to the referees and he will verify if they have to switch games. Board members can also verify a switch.

There was a discussion about how Danny can use GotSport for referee features to assign and register. Jessica is going to ask NTX if a "how to" videos.

<u>Midnight Madness Tournament – Kara:</u>

Kara has the flyer ready to go and will send out to all associations. October $25 - 27^{th}$ is the event date.

Rain Out Weekend / Rain Out Plan - Alfred/Jessica:

We are going to use the following week for reschedules this fall. We do not have a weekend for a rainout due to the Midnight Madness tournament.

Fall 2024 Field Day - Alfred/Harold:

Elite soccer is going to help move the old goals to La Liga but we are also moving goals this Thursday 8/28. We need to set up new goals and benches on field day. 8/31/24 is the scheduled field day at 8am.

Update on Goals and Benches – Alfred:

We spend \$21,000 on new benches and goals for the fields. We will put up over the next couple of weeks. We would like to invest in a storage room so that we can keep the goals in good condition. The benches will stay up. We will put a bench on each side for the smaller age divisions but older divisions we will have players on one side and the spectators on the other.

Transition Games – Alfred

We have several age divisions that can access the fields to have a practice on their new size/format. The commissioners would schedule their transition games for those coaches. Boys/Girls commissioners will work together.

U5s, U7s, U9s, U12s.

Field Marshals/Game Day Board Commitment - Alfred

We have to have enough board commitment on the Saturdays. Sign up for hourly spots on commissioners' volunteers (4 spots, northside/southside) 8am – 4pm. Lanna will organize a signup genius. Work in twos. Two full Saturdays or 4 half Saturdays per season. Required 16 hours for the fall season.

Coaching Requirements & Consequences - Julie

Coaches HAVE to get their background check/safe sport in order to hold practices, coach games or be on the sideline.

Moving to an 8-week season length:

We would want to consider moving to a longer season. It would help with scheduling for older divisions. We could do 6 games for the younger division and 8 games for the older teams. It could help with the double headers especially the younger division. It creates more flexibility with scheduling. U9 and up would get 8 games and everyone else would stay with 6 games.

Purposed SPRING:

March 1st, March 8th, (take off 15th and 22nd), 29th, April 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th and May 3rd We are going to table this for next board meeting.

Pink Out Weekend:

Kara is going to organize a Pink out weekend on October 5th.

Future Business/Discussions:

Moving to an 8-week season length: Jessica

Adjournment @ 8:03pm

Next Meeting- 9/9 and 9/23 6:30pm