

# American Amateur Soccer League (AASL) Meeting

February 4, 2008

## Minutes

Paul Emhoff called meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Tina Marianut called the roll.

Present: Amherst, Ashland, Avon, Bay Village, Berea, Broadview Hts., Brook Park, Brooklyn, Brunswick, Buckeye, Cloverleaf, Columbia, Fairview Park, Hudson, Independence, LaGrange, Lakewood, Lorain, Medina, Middleburg Hts., Midview, Milan, North Olmsted, North Ridgeville, North Royalton, Olmsted Falls, Parma, Parma Hts., Rocky River, Sandusky, Shaker Hts., Strongsville, Wadsworth, Westlake and Wooster.

Absent: Avon Lake (excused), Elyria (excused), Norwalk (excused), Vermilion, and Wellington.

**Please contact the AASL Secretary to inform the board when a community representative or club President changes.**

Minutes from November 5, 2007 were approved by motion from Brook Park and seconded by Amherst.

### **Announcements by Paul Emhoff:**

**Insurance for Indoor Soccer** - Communities can register for insurance for their indoor seasons at the OYSAN website. Register each indoor facility that your community teams participate separately. The insurance will cover all teams that participate at that facility. Remember that players who are not OYSAN members will not be covered by the insurance. Communities should also register their outdoor fields at OYSAN.

The May issue of the OYSAN Newsletter is dedicated to try-outs. Your community try-outs can be included in the newsletter. You will get a discount for being an OYSAN member. Your information is due by 4/1/2008 to be included in the newsletter.

### **Announcements by Jayme McCourt:**

Spring registration is open. Jayme has blank player passes for those that need them.

Comment by Paul: He hopes to have new registration program in place by Fall 2008. It should be able to register teams online. He will update as he finds out more.

Randy from BMYSL (Berlin Milan Youth Soccer League) was in attendance. He gave some background regarding their club and requested that their community be able to participate in the AASL. Motion to include BMYSL in AASL made by Parma and seconded by Rocky River.

### **Announcements by David Ehlert:**

The AASL indoor tournament will be held 3/28 – 3/30 at NEO in Parma Hts. Registration forms were passed out to community reps and will also be emailed.

The cost is \$225 if registered by 3/1 and \$250 after 3/1 but due by 3/10.

### **AASL Website Demo by Rick Swiderski**

Rick demonstrated the new abilities of the online system, such as team declarations and field locations. Please update all community information and field locations so that the system can be used effectively. If you have questions, please email Rick.

### **Discussion from the floor:**

Question about Kidsafe fees. It was decided that Kidsafe fees would be taken care of by each community separately.

Question about the AASL website having the capabilities to use PayPal or credit cards to pay fees online. The AASL is not currently considering such payments system but may be looked into in the future.

### **Final comments from Paul:**

Deadline for team declarations is 2/11/08. Brackets will be online prior to the bracketing meeting. You will receive an email from Gary.

Ref fees will be same as fall season. U8, U9 & U10 is \$22; U11 & U12 is \$28; and U13-U14 is \$30.

USSF/USYSA raised fees and there most likely will be an increase for per person registration fee in the fall.

**Next meeting** - The next meeting will be Monday, February 18, 2008 @ 7:00pm at the Brook Park Recreation Center. This is the final bracketing meeting. Please watch the AASL web site and your e-mail for meeting changes or cancellations. Every effort will be made to provide notice of a weather related cancellation on that date by 4:30 PM.

**Adjournment** – 8:00pm - Motion made by Parma and seconded by Rocky River.