

## **Area 3E Meeting Minutes, 21 September 2008**

### **1. Attendance and Updates:**

- 1.1. Area Staff: Steve Barth, Mark Deierlein, Mike Nobis, Mike Wessing
- 1.2. Regions: Oriskany-Westmoreland - Jim Enos, Waterville - Joan Stedman and Colleen Emerson, (Joan is new RC, Colleen is new RCA), Utica – Bruce Broat, Whitestown – Mark Schmalz, Sauquoit - Rick Purcell, New Hartford - Frank Ray Burynski.
- 1.3. Joan Stedman is replacing Lori Engle as Waterville RC. Colleen Emerson will be Waterville Coach Administrator.

### **2. What's Happening in AYSO Management – Rosanne MacPhail, National Management Administrator.**

Rosanne MacPhail explained the Management Training available and offered help to any region that needs Board members trained. She mentioned the importance of the Regional Assessment Program (RAP) and urged regions to participate. She handed out a training survey asking regions to indicate the training they need for Board Members. She urged any Region to contact her if needed at 800-595-2976 or e-mail: [RosanneMacPhail@ayso.org](mailto:RosanneMacPhail@ayso.org), and will e-mail all the RCs as a follow up. She also urged every region to participate and send volunteers to the Section Conference, noting that it's a great way to get the new volunteers interested in possibly becoming Board members. Rosanne mentioned that John Ouelette and Bill Finkel would love to come to our Area for Coach Training.

### **3. What's Happening at the NBOD – Pete MacPhail, Member of the National Board of Directors and Past President of AYSO**

Pete MacPhail, [PeteMacPhail@ayso.org](mailto:PeteMacPhail@ayso.org), is also USSF liaison for AYSO, and NBOD representative on the Coaching Commission. He described the upcoming requirement for coaches to have age appropriate coach training if participating in tournaments. He said that the 2010 National Games will be in West palm Beach FL. He mentioned that the organization for the development at A.Y.S.O. is going to be more localized. Also, that the NBOD is looking to add 2 “at large” members. Also, in 2010, Section Meetings are planned to try to be more localized with a traveling road show. Our Area was urged to put in a request to have a meeting near by. He described the new parents video that just came out. It can be downloaded for use at Registrations or Parent meetings. (There is a link to it on the Area 3E Webs site). Pete also discussed several questions about competitive play. He also urged regions to send as many volunteers as possible to the **Section Conference**, pointing out that it is the best thing you can do for your region, and suggested ways to reimburse costs. Pete described 3 e-mail bulletins that RCs, Coaches and Refs should be receiving: “The Commish” for RCs, “Hey Coach” for Coaches, and “Whistle Stop” for Referees.

### **4. Area 3E Inter-Regional Games Scheduling – How it Works – Wade Abraham**

Wade, our Area 3E scheduling wizard par excellence, described the process, advantages and limitations of the software that produces the schedules and Web site. He described how divisions are broken up into groups to try to handle regions whose teams do want to play each other and those that don't. He noted that each division is

scheduled separately one at a time, and that as a result, for regions that share a field between divisions, the first division scheduled will usually get the first open slots for games, meaning earlier games, and the second division will probably have more games later in the afternoon. He asked that regions that request a certain time for games for a team indicate whether that is a team constraint (for example, due to coach's work schedule) or a field constraint (the field is only available at that time). Team constraints can be handled by the program. Field constraints are more difficult to account for, and may require manual adjustments to accommodate. He also described the issue of having to make changes to coach information after the schedule is posted on the Web site, and suggested that a separate coach list be kept to handle updates. Steve noted that a separate coach list and spreadsheet of all the games is posted on the Area Web site.

**5. What every region must do. (Board, Budget, Insurance eCerts, RAP, Volunteer Forms, Dues, Section Conference).**

A question about volunteer forms was discussed. It was pointed out that volunteer forms need to be sent in before the season and that most regions should have most of the volunteer forms before the season starts and can send them in. Later additions can be sent in as soon as they occur. It is helpful to instructors if all the volunteers attending training at the beginning of the season have their forms in, since it makes it easier to set up and return the course roster that will add the certification for training to the volunteer's eAYSO information.

**6. RAP Forms.**

**Waterville and Whitestown turned in RAP forms. All other regions need to turn them in to Steve Barth by 1 October.**

**7. Fall Season Report – problems, issues, suggestions for improvements**

No discussion.

**8. Treasurer's report**

Mark Deierlein reported that the Area account has about \$50 after paying the SCORE paint bill. We need to collect dues and paint payments from the Regions.

**9. Tournaments – Utica U10s October 18 at Proctor Park.**

**Utica is hosting a tournament with U10 Boys and U10 Girls Divisions on October 18. Information and registration form is posted on the Area 3E Web site at [www.ayso3e.org](http://www.ayso3e.org) and Utica Web site at <http://ayso664.d4sportsclub.com/>**

**10. Training**

10.1. 73 coaches participated in Fall Training classes at Donovan Middle School. 13 volunteers took U-8 Official and 19 volunteers took Basic Ref.

10.2. **Intermediate Coach** is planned for April 3 and 4. Mike Nobis asked for suggestions or offers for the location, preferably somewhere central to the Area. **Intermediate Referee** will also be offered.

**11. Other Business.**

**Utica Region 664 has arranged a fund raiser with the UpTown theater. Anybody who attends a movie with an AYSO uniform or volunteer shirt on any Saturday gets admission for \$5 and \$2 goes back to Region 664**

## **12. Reminders**

- 12.1. Area 3E Web site: <http://www.ayso3e.org>
- 12.2. Last Fall Games Oct. 26
- 12.3. Area Meeting – Nov. 2 at 7pm at Whitestown Community Center.
- 12.4. Section Conference: Hilton Rye Town, Rye Brook, NY. March 27-29, 2009  
Registration Opens: December 19, 2008.  
Early Registration Ends: February 13, 2009  
Online Registration Ends: March 6, 2009

## **13. Positions Needed**

- 13.1. Area Director of Referee Assessment

*RC Handouts:*

Agenda

RAP forms if needed