

MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
AYSO REGION 18

A meeting of the Board of Directors of AYSO REGION 18 (“AYSO18”), was held via video conference, on June 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. after verbal and written Notice duly given.

Krista Skinner chaired the meeting and Jessica Waybright took the meeting minutes.

The following Directors participated:

Krista Skinner; Amanda Walls Murphy; Jessica Waybright; Chris Wong; Karl Primm; Albert Chen; Steve Hershkowitz; Baldeep Sadhal; Jamie Chang; Chris Talbott; Ashley Choi; Andy Abdelmalek; Mark Hodson; Anthony Lombardo; Russ Allen; Sarah Lefton; Dave Brantly; Scott Lentz; Michael Hinz;

The following Directors did not participate:

Jackie Eanes; Scott Champagne; Jimmy Orland; Andrew Werhane; Christina Finlay; Jeff Stephens; Ben Davidson; Nedra Yost; Woody Hauck; Byron Eguchi; Steve Killman; Iris Reekie; Vince O’Hara; Damian Stevens; Michael Miles; Chris Otey; Kim Digillio; Lou Figueroa; Kelly Ankley; Scott Coopman; Wolf Heim; Dan Angress.

As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Regional Commissioner’s Report

- Krista Skinner reported that Andy Abdelmalek would take over as DC for 7UB as Jaime Chang is taking on the DC role for 5UG;
- Krista discussed field allocations and explained that through the City of Hermosa Beach AYSO18 has access to Clark Field and Hermosa Valley Park for practices and games. AYSO18 pays a per hour fee for these fields.
 - o 15-20% of all AYSO18 players are from Hermosa Beach, but field allocation is not based on player domicile.
 - o Hermosa Valley was used more in the Spring because Begg Field was unavailable.
 - o AYSO18 has a good working relationship with Hermosa Beach and it should continue long term.
- Manhattan Beach has more user groups that AYSO18 must compete with, including Pony, BC Football, Sand and Surf, lacrosse, softball, little league.
 - o AYSO18 has a master field use agreement with the City of Manhattan Beach and takes into account other user groups.
 - o AYSO18 is the largest user group, is a nonprofit and volunteer-based organization so it has first and best access to the fields.
 - o The field allocation policy has not changed a lot and AYSO18 has a good working relationship with the City of Manhattan Beach.
 - o 85% of AYSO18 players are from Manhattan Beach. Manhattan Beach Little League requires residency to participate so their numbers are higher. Other user groups have lower percentages of Manhattan Beach residents participating.
- Ten years ago, when the turf field was installed at Marine Avenue Park (MAP), Vista Mar and Sand and Surf participated in the memorandum of understanding (MOU) with

AYSO18 and the City of Manhattan Beach and hours were split among user groups. There were 10 years of guaranteed hours across seasons.

- Five years ago, when the turf field was installed at Village, Lacrosse, Sand and Surf and BCS Football participated and paid money for guaranteed hours.
- Every year all hours for MAP and Village are pre-allocated.
- MAP and Village are City of Manhattan Beach owned fields, and the majority of rest of the fields are Manhattan Beach Unified School District sites and leased to the City, which then subleases to AYSO18.
 - o The City provides maintenance and AYSO18 is not permitted to maintain the fields.
 - o Russ Allen explained that Heights and Dorsey are City owned fields as well.
- The MAP field needs to be re-done and the City Council will decide whether AYSO18 can contribute for another 10-year MOU of use. There are some objections to users being able to lock up field space for 10 years.
 - o If the City pays for the re-turf and AYSO18 does not contribute, then AYSO18 would potentially pay higher per player fees if the User Agreement is changed.. There will be no guaranteed slots, but the allocation process will still be the same, resulting in AYSO18 still getting first and highest use of the field.
- Manhattan Beach Middle School (MBMS) is in a different category of fields as it has no lights, and has limited use availability, but is still useful to have. The field use would not be based on an MOU like other fields, instead AYSO18 would make a donation for field improvement.
- Krista explained that AYSO18 has reserves set aside for field improvements to fund these types of projects. If the funds are not used for field improvements then funds would need to be spent on other items or registration fees could be adjusted in the future.
- Next Krista Skinner requested the Board pass a resolution approving AYSO18 contributing to the re-turf of Marine Avenue Park in the eventuality that the City of Manhattan Beach approves AYSO18's contribution to the project. After discussion, and as a quorum was present, upon motion duly made by Ashley Choi and seconded by David Brantly, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors hereby approves contributing up to \$225,000 of those funds previously reserved by the Board for field improvements to the Marine Avenue Park field re-turf project and entering into a new memorandum of understanding for use of the field for up to 1440 hours per year at an approximate cost of \$15.60 per hour.

- Krista explained that along with Sand and Surf, Pony Baseball and BCS Football, a project has been presented to the City of Manhattan Beach and the Manhattan Beach School Board to fund the re-sod project at MBMB. MBUSD would fund the tree-line portion of the project. Since the field re-sod portion of the field improvements were not City funds it was thought that prevailing wages would not apply and the budget for the project would remain as presented. Now one individual at the City is taking the position that the re-sod portion of the project would be subject to prevailing wage.
 - o The Board discussed various ways in which AYSO18 could contribute to the project without triggering prevailing wage.
- Krista requested the Board pass a resolution approving AYSO18 contributing to the re-sod of the field at MBMS in the eventuality that the Manhattan Beach Unified School

District approves AYSO18's contribution to the project. After discussion, and as a quorum was present, upon motion duly made by Ashley Choi and seconded by David Brantly, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors hereby approves contributing up to \$75,000 of those funds previously reserved by the Board for field improvements to the Manhattan Beach Middle School field re-sod project if permitted to contribute by the Manhattan Beach Unified School District.

- Krista explained that a meeting with DCs would be held in the next couple of weeks and the Referee crew has already met.
- Early registration ends June 30 and a reminder e-mail was sent out 15 days prior to the deadline.
- If parents are trying to register on their phones and sign up to volunteer on their phones they may run into issues and should be encouraged to use a computer.
- Krista and Steve Killman are still working on assembling a manual for DCs with dates of when certain events should take place.
- The website is always being updated and if anyone finds good information from other Regions that should be added to the AYSO18 website they are encouraged to pass that information along.
- Board positions are still open for anyone willing to take on responsibilities held by Nedra Yost, including uniforms, photo day and compliance.

Meeting concluded at 8:46pm

NEXT MEETING: August 8, 2023 at 7:00pm in person