

**February 2019 Area 13-I Meeting Agenda
Monday, February 11th
Teleconference**

Introductions

(6:30)

EXPO

Budget

P&P's

RC Training

Fundraising

Coach and Referee Concerns

Good Sportsmanship

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Questions, Concerns, Comments, and Suggestions (Around the table)

Upcoming dates – March 18th-23rd UK Coach training (non-certification) at James Gettys School in Gettysburg & Area Y in Montoursville will be offering Coach, Referee and Management certification classes (see minutes for more information).

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Present via teleconference were; Lisa Farley RC Littlestown, Matt Lesky RC Greencastle, Wanda Randler RC McConnellsburg, Chris Daron RC Upper Adams, Mike Bernitt RC Chambersburg, Jeff Baum Asst. RC Gettysburg, Lauren Phelan RC Fairfield, Brian Van Scyoc Area Referee Admin/Treasurer

Not present were; Jason Mixell RC Tuscarora, Andrea Lady Area Scheduler/Webmaster/Asst. Treasurer, Dawn Beaumont RC Path Valley, Carrie Stuart RC Bermudian, Southern Huntingdon and Mandy Winder Area Fundraiser

EXPO

(6:40)

Dominick started by say there was much to about regarding EXPO. General discussion and concern were brought up that it is has been poorly planned and set up, two questions came up; When is the schedule coming out detailing what will be offered and when? Why didn't we have more time to plan and make decisions? Dominick said he would get in touch with the SD with answers to the questions presented.

Budget

(7:00)

Budget due on or before June 1st by ALL Regions.

P&P's

(7:10)

Have to be done by RC's and turned into AD-Dominick. If going with the standard Policy's and Protocols or amended version the P&P still have to be signed by the Region Board members (7) or at the least the RC.

RC Training

(7:40)

Matt Lesky said he might be interested in attending the March 29th-31st RC school in Chicago. Lisa & Jeff asked "What can be done to get RC training in our Area? Could we pay for someone from NO to come to Area I and put on RC training on a date that the Area provided? The next RC school is May 3rd-5th in Torrance, CA at the National Office.

Fundraising

(7:50)

Was skipped for this meeting

Coach and Referee Concerns

Brian started by addressing the shortage of referees and the need for coaches to receive Basic Referee training because they will be needed to help ref games. Coaches will need to remember to be fair, make fun, and safe for all. If a coach has to referee their team they **CAN NOT** coach, give pointers or tips, nothing to any player. If there is an incident that happens with players, coaches or spectators an Incident Report needs to be completed by **ALL** that witnessed the incident. The more reports the better it is to understand from more than one perspective what happened and apply proper due process.

***Dominick addressed the concern of Coaches losing site of the bigger picture...what we do is for the kids...let them have fun. Coaches need to take advantage of training opportunities when being offered. There is no tolerance for coaches displaying or using bad behavior (ie yelling in a negative way, arguing w/another coach or spectator, mistreating any child for any reason, arguing w/the referee(s)).

***Brian and Dominick both stated that the referee of the game makes the call and if there is a problem with the referee's play calling an incident report needs to be completed giving detail to that event or events for the calls made.

***Jeff and Dominick talked about RC's should use parent night, coach and referee night to give the expectations on how ALL should act with the appropriate behavior and know the rules of field etiquette, reminder to use KIDS ZONE.

***Lisa gave the example that Littlestown uses: Parents have to sign a Littlestown Parents Pledge which is located on their Littlestown AYSO website.

Good Sportsmanship

Dominick reminded everyone that what we do is for the kids and not our selves. Dominick asked that RC's remind their volunteers that this is for the kids, to see them happy, making friends, getting much needed exercise while learning how to play the great sport of soccer. Be respectful of each other's position and to conduct one's self in a professional manner.

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(8:00)

Brian talked about the Playership fee increase that was \$17.50 per player and as of MY2019 it will be \$20. Additionally, the Volunteer Membership fee of \$25 will also begin start of MY2019. NO is not budging on the volunteer fee and the concern is losing volunteers and Regions due to not being able to meet the demands of NO with increased fees.

***General discussion was "Why not increase the player fee to cover the volunteer fee? What is the volunteer going towards and why? The fee was explained as the fee covers the Level 2 background check (i.e. state and national fingerprint-based check, checks on local updates of arrest history, child welfare checks). Dominick mentioned that PA checks is at a Level 3 and this was pointed out to NO from a volunteer with Section 13 because that is a level higher than the NO Level 2 check. A response has not yet been provided. However, Dominick advised that when he learns of a response, he will pass it along to the Area I EM's.

***EM's and their boards need to make sure they are registered in MY2018. Also, due to the many changes within the NO some are having to perform extra work which may cause some delays in response to questions. Dominick asked RC's to make sure they get all requirements done for reappointment. Reappointment also requires RC's to attend RC training which will be provided in Chicago March 29-31st and in Torrance, CA May 3-5th approx. 15-25 are needed for a class. NO is keeping to the rules and that RC's need to have RC training. If there are problems with getting RC's reappointed Dominick said that he would be listed as the RC to help with the management of the Region(s) affected.

*** Jeff Baum (Asst. RC Gettysburg) will have a UK Coach in Gettysburg for non-certification Coach training the week of March 18th – 23rd.

M- 5:30-8:00 - focusing on 7 and under ages

T- 5:30-8:00 - general coaching

W- 5:30-8:00 - focusing on 8-11 ages

TH- 5:30-8:00 - general coaching

F- 5:30-8:00 - focusing on 12 +

2 field sessions (weather permitting) on Saturday 9-noon and 1-4 at James Gettys school.

This training is not for any certification level but will help your coaches be more comfortable running a practice.

We are asking for a fee for of:

\$20 / session

\$35 / 2 sessions (2 people 1 session or 1 person 2 sessions)

\$50 / 3 sessions (3 people 1 session, or 1 person 3 sessions etc)

\$100 for whole thing (all 7 sessions) (1 person per each session)

The meeting adjourned at 8:41pm

Upcoming dates to remember – February 15th hotel deadline, February 24th Section 13 EXPO registration deadline, **March 1st Team Counts**, March 18th-23rd UK Coach training in Gettysburg, March 29th-31st RC school in Chicago, AREA I season start March 30th to end June 1st (maybe extended for makeup games until June 15th)

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