

Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association Inc.
East Central Academy Minutes
July 18, 2016
9:00 PM
Kimberly Municipal Center
Evergreen Room

Club	Representative	Club	Representative
De Pere	Derek Rhodes	NEW United (ASC)	Sean Breitzman
Electric City	Nate Laabs	United Hurricanes	Bruce Pecore
FC Green Bay	Quinn Ross	United of Allouez	Skip Heverly
Green Bay Lightning	Erik Lofdahl	United of Allouez	Robert Albright
Kimberly	Jeff Pozniak	East Central	Doris Schommer
Kimberly	Brad Abplanalp	East Central	Wayne Stoflet
Neenah	Tyler Brown	East Central	Sue Ann Evers

Roll Call (by sign in)

1. Review of Spring Academy 2016

- Concerns and Suggestions
 - Erik Lofdahl (GBL) asked if the group would remove the club commitment of 5 out of 8-weeks for the fall season. The Green Bay Lightning club has staffing issues and would not be able to commit to 5 weekends.
 - The Academy representatives remained firm on the 5-week commitment from the clubs. Attendance helps spread out who the other teams will play and makes the scheduling process manageable. A total of 8 weeks will be scheduled. Three black-out weekends.
 - The time between the rough draft and the final schedule needs to be extended. Clubs want this time to manage the schedule and determine who can attend the games.
 - Derek would like guidelines set as to what reasons would constitute a change to the schedule.
- Competitiveness of the games
 - Clubs should remind coaches it is ok to switch things up at game time to make the game competitive.
 - Clustering games geographically seems to be working out well. This helps cut down on travel time, but keeps the games competitive.

2. Referee

- The host club will need to add more referees because U10 is following the three-man referee guidelines.
 - Referee Center \$14.00, AR \$12.00
 - Referees at this age need to blow their whistle louder
 - Mentoring the referees.
 - A DOC could help mentor referees before the games start.
 - Hold a pre-event meeting to remind referees of the rules and expectations of the academy games
 - End of event meeting to help with question from referees and provide feedback to the referees.
 - DOC can also be the go to person if there are any field issues
 - As directors of a club you can mentor the referees by nicely directing them
 - No offside calls will be made if only one referee is available for U10 games.

- Build out line is 14 yards from each goal line

3. Fall Scheduling dates and requirements

- Derek Rhodes will send out a form requesting information about each club’s academy scheduling needs.
 - Each club will provide one main contact that all information goes through. It is this person’s responsibility to inform and educate his/her club of the East Central Academy.
- Scheduling event dates are done by club. Meaning that the entire club travels to one location.
- Teams are matched up to play other teams of similar ability. Following the coding for teams to help will placement.
- There are 8 Saturday’s that academy events are scheduled
 - Clubs may only blackout 3 weekends from the 8 weekends of possible event dates.
 - A blackout means none of your teams from your club will be scheduled for the event date you blacked out.
 - If a club determines that not all of the age levels will be gone on a blackout weekend, they may look for open spots in the event schedule for that week to have their team(s) play.
 - Revisions can be made to the schedule after the first draft has been sent out.
- Season will run from September 10 -October 29, 2016
 - There are plans to schedule a district wide event at the beginning and end of the season. Appleton Soccer Club and United Hurricanes are the two clubs that can handle these larger events. Each club will give him dates that they have open to accommodate the event.

Scheduling Dates for Academy Program Fall 2016

Info sheet back to Derek	August 8
Rough draft	August 23
Draft schedule for review. Tweak the schedule	August 26
Final Schedule	August 29

Derek is asking for clubs to pay for the academy scheduling. He felt that \$50.00 per club would defray the cost of using the software and time him he takes away from his job at Sports Emporium.

Submitted by
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