

# 2017 Annual General Meeting

Lehi, Utah



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# AGENDA

10.00am : Welcome

10.05am : Roll Call

10.15am : President's Report

11.00am : Election of Board of Directors

11.15am : Coaching Best Practices – Robert Randell

12.00pm : Lunch

12.30pm : 2017 Fall 7s

01.00pm : 2018 Spring 15s

02.00pm : Election of Commissioners & Disciplinarian



# 2016 / 2017 Review



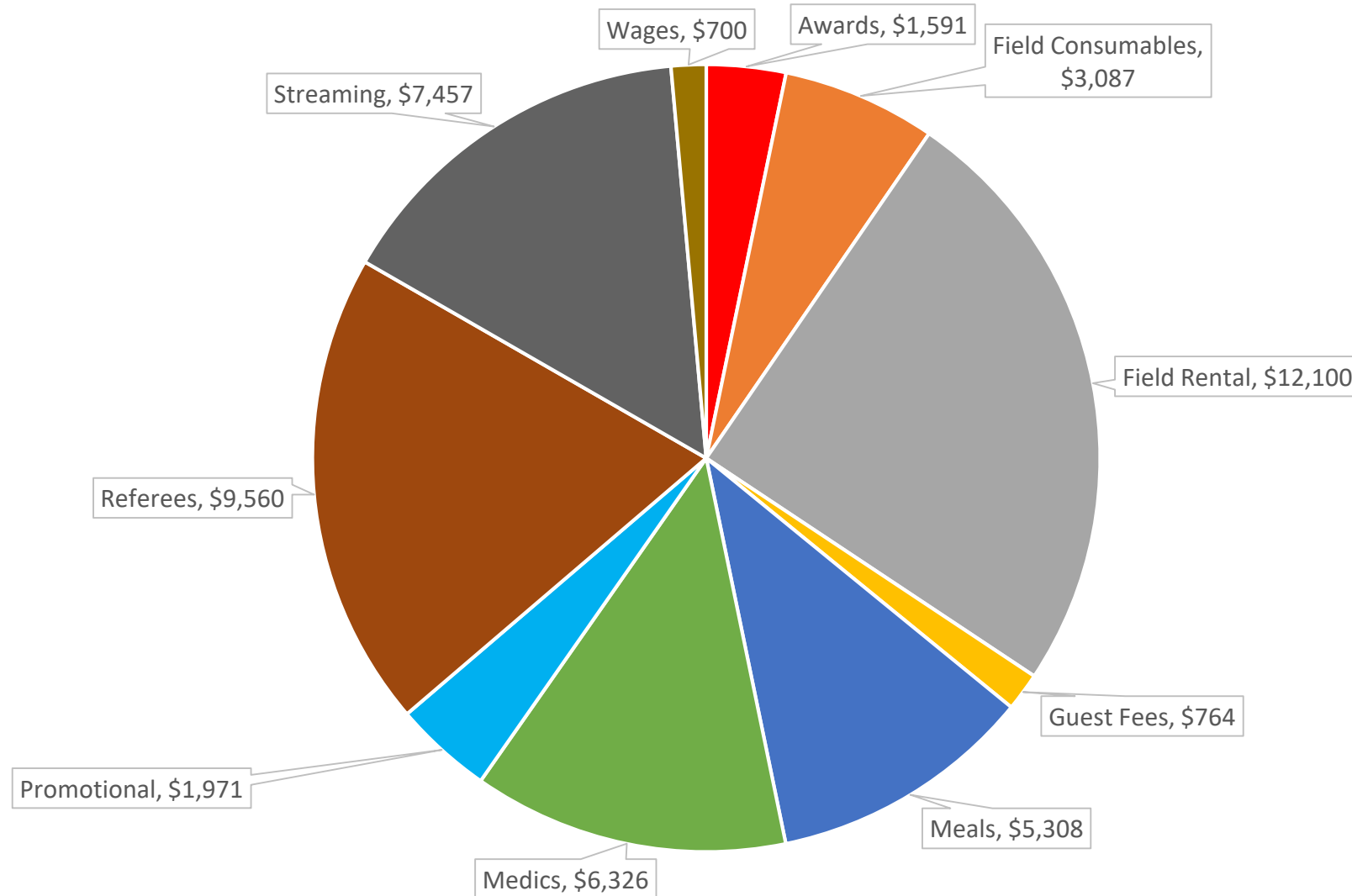
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# 2016 HIGH SCHOOL FALL 7s

- 4 Tournament Series
- 15 HS Boys Teams including Idaho Grey Wolves (2015 – 12)
- 10 HS Girls Teams including Idaho Grey Wolves (2015 – 8)
- Approximately 310 (2015 – 140) players participated
- Herriman HS Gold (Boys), Herriman HS Navy (JV Boys), United Girls (Varsity and JV) State 7s Champions
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pink 7s held at RAC – 14 Teams (2015 – 8)
- Special Guest Jillion Potter
- United Girls Varsity Champions / Summit HS Green JV Champions
- Live stream of Day 2 on YouTube



# 2016 HIGH SCHOOL FALL 7s EXPENSES

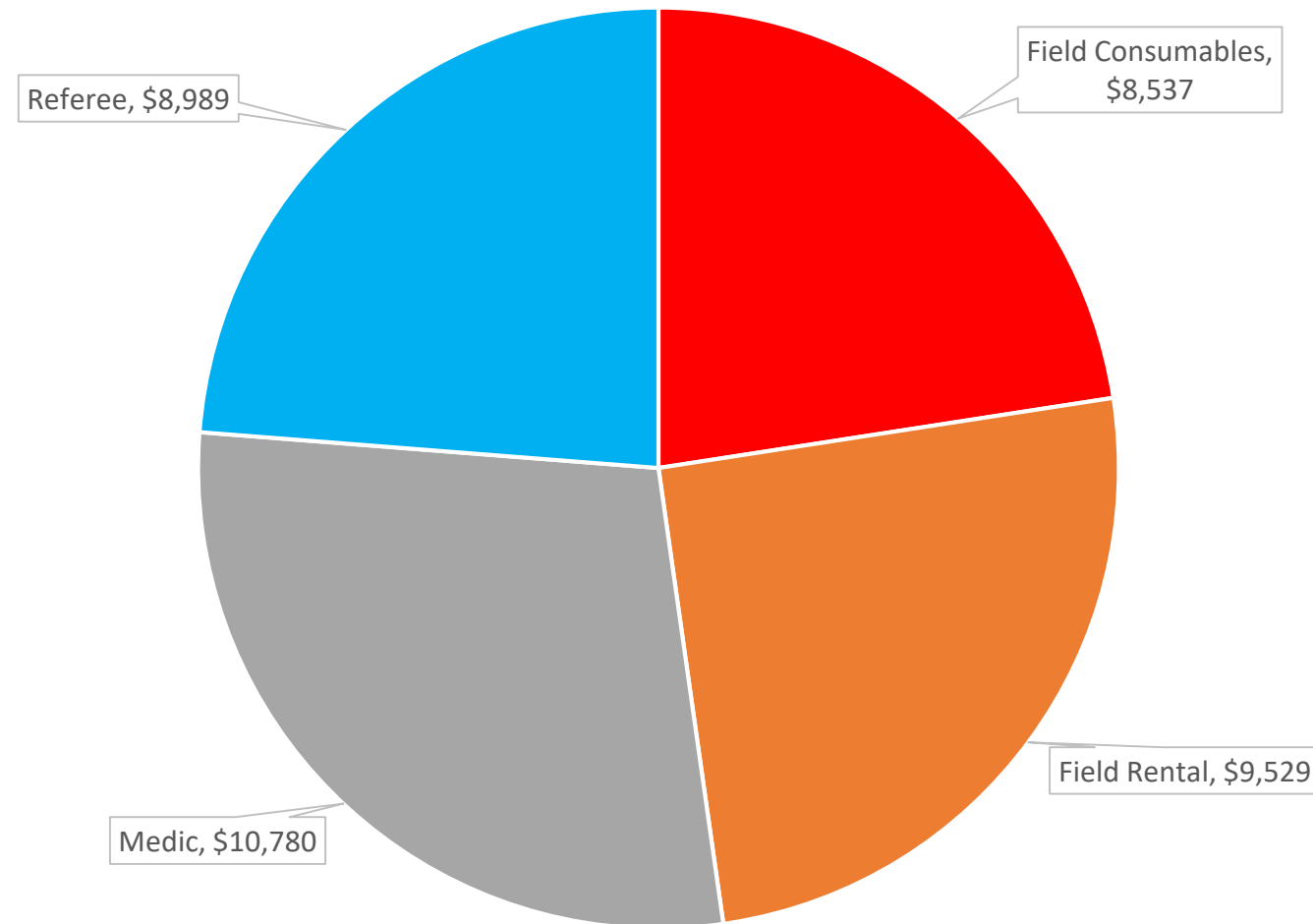


# 2017 SPRING 15s

- Varsity Boys MS – 9 Teams (2016 – 12)
- Varsity Boys SS – 13 Teams (2016 - 16)
- 9/10 Boys MS – 5 Teams (2016 - 6)
- 9/10 Boys SS – 6 Teams (2016 - 5)
- Varsity Girls – 11 Teams (2016 - 7)
- 7/8 Boys 9 Teams (2016 - 7)
- Approximately 1,550 (2016 - 1,600) players



# 2017 SPRING 15s EXPENSES



# 2017 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 3 Week down format
- Engagement of teams through to the finals day
- Finals day at UofU and RAC on 4 fields
- Division 2 Championships (MS Boys, SS Boys and Girls)
- 8 Division State Champions
- Approximately 3,000 spectators
- Live stream of Varsity Boys finals on Facebook



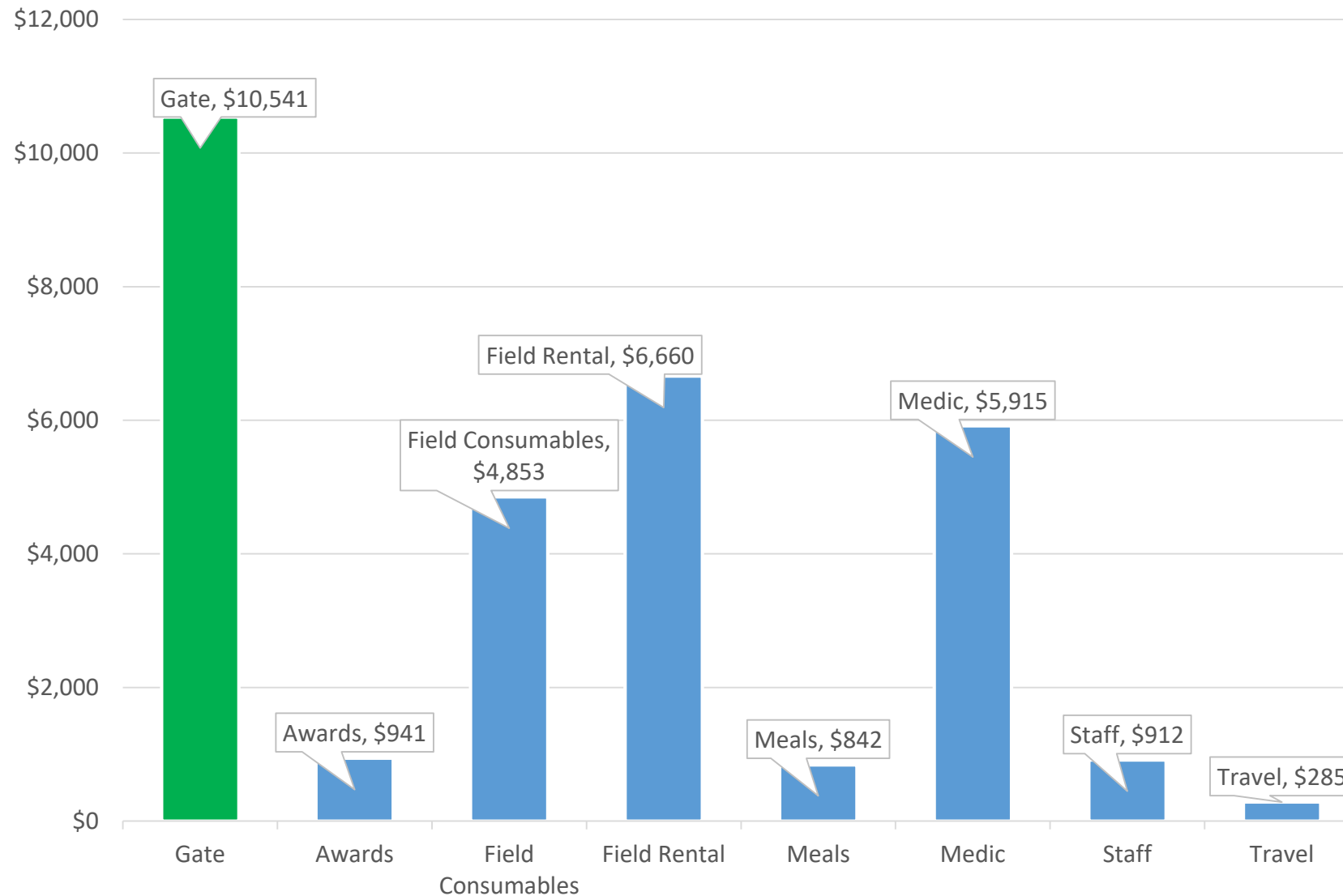


# 2017 STATE CHAMPIONS

- 7/8 - Rhinos
- 9/10 MS - United
- 9/10 SS - Herriman
- Girls Trophy – United JV
- Girls Cup – United Varsity
- Varsity MS – West Valley
- Varsity DII MS – TC Fusion
- Varsity SS – Herriman Varsity
- Varsity DII SS – Herriman B



# 2017 STATE CHAMPS INCOME AND EXPENSES

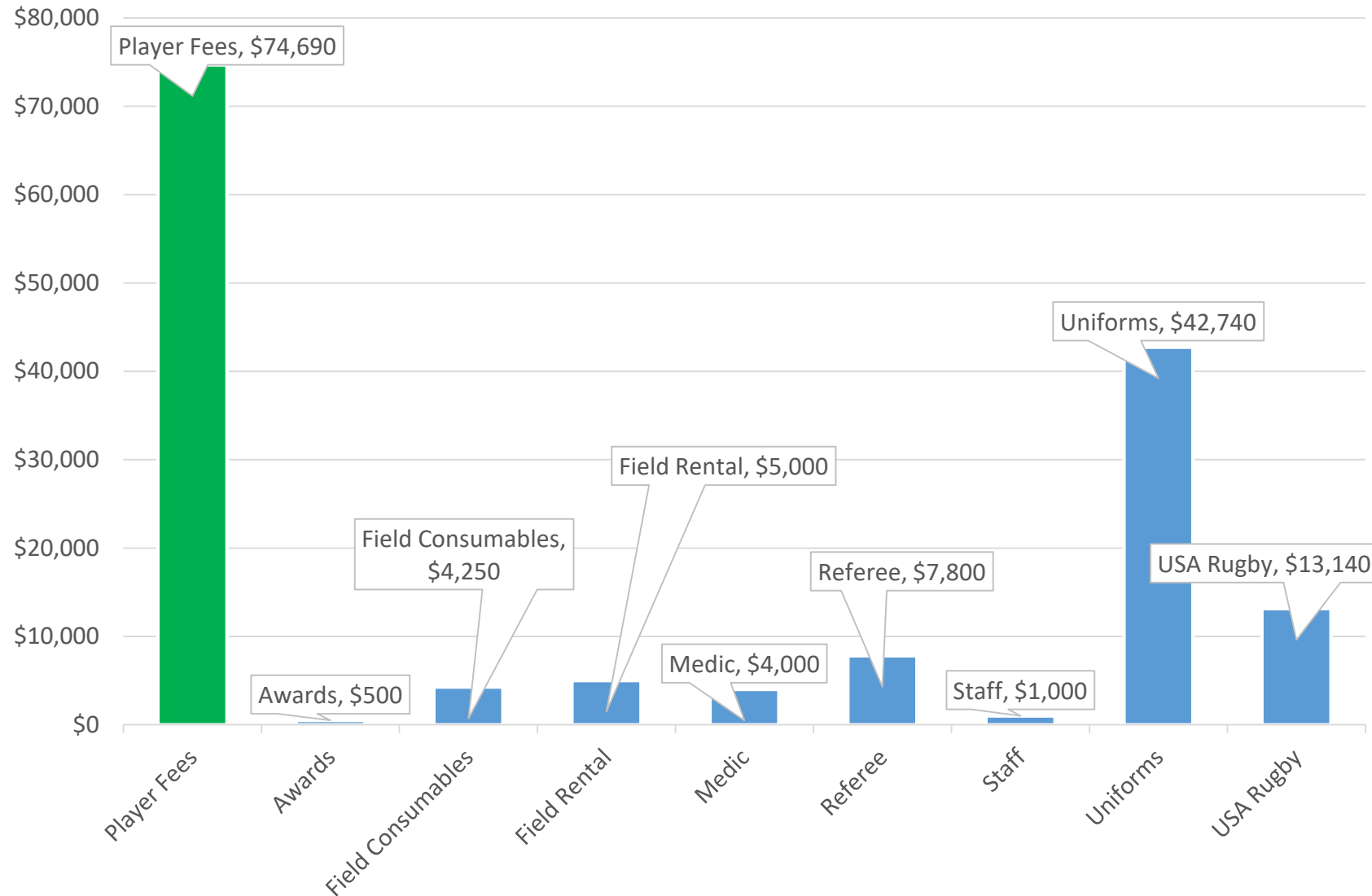


# 2017 LITTLE RUGBY LEAGUE

- 7s Format over six weeks
- Over 70 teams aged u6 through u14
- Approximately 660 (2016 – 580) players
- Approximately 110 matches every Saturday at Murray Park



# 2017 LITTLE LEAGUE INCOME AND EXPENSES



# 2017 ROOKIE RUGBY LEAGUES

- Partnerships with City Recreation Departments
- Flag format over six weeks
- Cedar Hills – 16 players
- Orem – 12 players
- Provo – 20 players

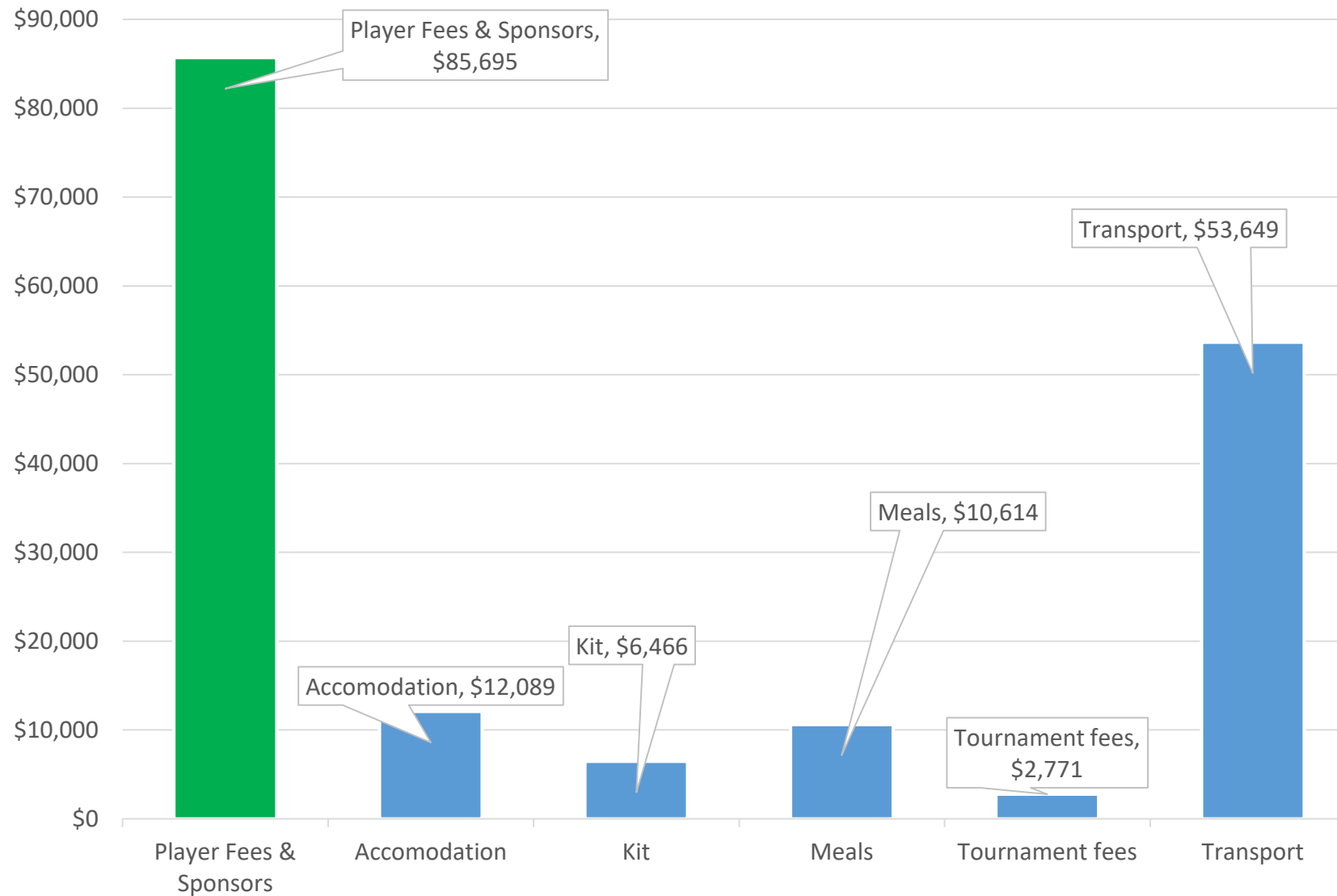


# 2017 UTAH CANNIBALS TOURS

- Las Vegas Invitational (March 2017) – 7s
  - Open Boys Runners Up
- Rosslyn Park 7s in London (March 2017)
- CRC's in Philadelphia (June 2017) – 7s
  - Girls Champions
  - Boys Runners Up
- Regional Cup Tournament (June 2017) – 15s



# 2017 CANNIBALS INCOME AND EXPENSES



# 2017 / 2018 Events



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# 2017 EVENTS

- Fall 7s at RAC
  - High School Boys and Girls
    - September 16 – Leg 1
    - September 23 – Leg 2
    - October 7 – Leg 3
    - October 13 & 14 – Pink 7s
    - October 28 – Leg 4
  - 7/8 Grade Boys – 6 teams
  - 7/8 Grade Girls – 4 teams



# 2018 EVENTS

- Division Committee Meetings – January 13
- Spring 15s – mid March through end April
- State Championships Playoffs – May 5 and May 11
- State Championships Finals – May 12 at RAC
  - Same format as 2017
- Little League 7s – May 19 through June 23
  - Boys Little League 7s – Grades K through 8
  - Girls Little League 7s – Grades K through 8



# 2017 / 2018 Registration



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# 2017 / 2018 Club Registration

- Through Utah Youth Rugby only
- \$100 collected at registration – is \$150 through USA Rugby
- Registration will open on August 15th
- Club uploads a .eps / pdf (vector files) of club logos



# 2017 / 2018 High School Team Registration

- Each season will have its own registration
- \$50 per team entered collected at registration
- Registration will open on August 22nd



# 2017 / 2018 High School and Middle School Player Registration

- \$125 Annual Player Fee – Covers both Fall 7s and Spring 15s
- Fee is NON-REFUNDABLE
- Payment plan
  - \$50 at registration
  - \$25 on September 30, October 31 and November 30
- Added club dues are spread over the three payments
- Registration will open on September 1st
- Player uploads:
  - Current school ID card
  - Proof of current school registration



# 2018 Little League Player Registration

- Player Fee
  - Early Bird - \$95 (From January 1, 2018)
  - Regular - \$125 (From March 1, 2018)
  - Late - \$150 (From April 1, 2018)
- Fee is NON-REFUNDABLE
- NO Payment plan
- Player uploads:
  - School photo
  - Proof of current school registration





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# Boys Spring 15s League



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# General Approach

- One 15s Season for the Boys League (Mid-March to Mid-May)
- League comprises conferences by age divisions – 7/8 Grade, 9/10 Grade and 11/12 Grade
- One set of boys policies to govern all conferences in the league
- Team eligibility policies
- Team conference choice with responsibilities
- Player movement allowed but restricted
- Conferences divided into tiers with like teams in roster makeup and strength



# Big Rocks

- Team eligibility
- Roster limits
- Play where you live
- Player transfers
- Four conferences



# Team Eligibility

- Eligibility for each conference determined by
  - Club status with school if affiliated with a school or not
  - Core school representation on each team roster
  - Club with age based teams – 7/8, 9/10 and 11/12
- Red Conference follows USA Rugby Team Eligibility rule
  - Team must be represented by a roster that is limited to: players that are registered students at the High School upon which the team is based including home schooled students eligible for that school's athletic activities
- All other conferences for teams choosing not to be bound by the above eligibility rule



# Roster Limits

- Roster limits applied to incentivize formation of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> (or more) teams by clubs
- Roster limit of 30 players per team
- No more than 10% of players on a roster may be registered at school where that school is a core school for another team regardless of conference
- Enter 2<sup>nd</sup> team and 3<sup>rd</sup> teams from a club into different conferences based on the roster for each team
- Teams from a club may combine with other club teams as needed to complete a team or to complete 2<sup>nd</sup> or more teams
- The new combined roster of the combined team determines conference and tier eligibility



# Play Where You Live

- 7<sup>th</sup> Graders and new players (Grades 8 and up) are required to join the club that
  - Has a team for their age; and
    1. That is affiliated with the high school zoned for their residential address; or
    2. The nearest to where they live if not zoned for a high school with a team
- Waiver process available if desired
  - Written application required (with a fee)
  - Committee reviewed
  - Approved or denied
- That club becomes their primary home club and remain with that club throughout school career no matter what team they were or will / may be eligible for in the future
- Transfer rules apply after joining primary home club



# Player Transfers

- Only one player transfer request available in 6 year period
- Apply by last day of February before season starts
- New players transfer request is considered used whether or not waiver is allowed
- Additional transfers allowed when
  - Primary home club disbands;
  - Player transfers schools; or
  - Player's residential address changes



# Four Conferences

- Conferences by roster make up
  - Red
  - Blue
  - White
  - Green
- Each conference further divided into tiers as needed
- Teams move from one tier or conference to another IF they meet the team eligibility requirements for the desired tier or conference





# Red Conference

- Team must meet ALL tier requirements to be in one of the following two tiers
- Tier 1
  - Official High School Club
  - Roster 100% from core school
  - Three teams – 7/8, 9/10 and 11/12
- Tier 2
  - Official High School Club
  - Roster 100% from core school



# Red Conference – Tier 1 Likely Teams

- East
- Herriman
- Highland
- Olympus
- Snow Canyon
- Westlake



# Red Conference – Tier 2 Likely Teams

- Bear River
- Davis
- Cedar
- Wasatch



# Blue Conference

- Team must meet ALL tier requirements to be in one of the following two tiers
- Tier 1
  - Roster more than 50% from core school
  - Three teams – 7/8, 9/10 and 11/12
- Tier 2
  - Roster more than 50% from core school



# Blue Conference – Tier 1 Likely Teams

- TC Fusion



# Blue Conference – Tier 2 Likely Teams

- Brighton
- West Jordan
- West Valley



# White Conference

- Team must meet ALL tier requirements to be in one of the following two tiers
- Tier 1
  - Roster less than 50% from core school
  - Three teams – 7/8, 9/10 and 11/12
- Tier 2
  - Roster less than 50% from core school



# White Conference – Tier 1 Likely Teams

- Kau Toa
- Genesis
- Provo
- United





# White Conference – Tier 2 Likely Teams

- Cache



# Green Conference

- New teams in first 3 years of existence
  - May choose to move to another conference during first 3 years if team roster exceeds 20 players
- Small teams with less than 20 players on roster
- Teams that struggle to form in time each season



# Green Conference – Likely Teams

- Copper Hills
- Cyprus
- Pineview
- Skyridge
- West



# League Play

- Conference tiers may not be larger than 6 teams each
- Tiers with more than 6 teams are divided with the higher seeded teams being in the higher tier
- Teams play all teams in the conference tier for division standings purposes
- Teams may play additional teams from other conferences in the same tier to make up 5 league matches if needed for division standings purposes
- All matches in excess of 5 are considered friendlies and only affect overall league standings
- UYR may limit total number of matches per team



# State Championships

- Teams in each conference tiers compete in a State Championship playoff following the regular season
- Losing teams drop down into consolation brackets as needed
- UYR may combine tiers across conferences as needed to form championship brackets of up to 6 teams
- The Green Conference will always be considered a Tier 2 or lower Tier

