

# 2018 Division Committee Meeting

Lehi, Utah



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# AGENDA

10.00am : Welcome

10.05am : Roll Call

10.10am : President's Comments

11.00am : Division Meetings

12.00pm : Lunch



# UYR Leadership



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# Exco for 2018

- President, 6 VPs and a Secretary
  - Registrations and Compliance
  - Leagues
  - Operations
  - Finance
  - High Performance
  - Public Relations



# Registrations and Compliance

- Vi Olsen
  - Team Check In Director
  - Check In Staff



# Leagues

- Larry Wilson
  - Youth Commissioner – Tonga Ika
    - Youth Development Officer
  - Girls Commissioner
    - High School Girls Director
    - Middle School Girls Director
  - Boys Commissioner
    - High School Boys Director
    - Middle School Boys Director



# Operations

- Vacant
  - Field and Equipment Director – Ben Knudson
    - Field Staff
  - Schedule Director
    - Little League Scheduler
    - Girls Scheduler
    - Boys Scheduler
  - Events and Tournament Director
    - Assistant Events and Tournament Director – Darian Power
      - Medical Coordinator – Jen Roney
      - Officials Coordinator
        - Match Officials
        - Match Scorers
        - Scoreboard Operators
        - Online Scorers
      - Security Coordinator



# Finance

- Angela Knudson
  - Fundraising Director
  - Concessions and ticketing Staff





# High Performance

- Vacant
  - Cannibals Director
    - Travel Coordinator – Jen Matua
      - Catering Manager
    - Boys Head Coach – Colin Puriri
      - Assistant Coaches
    - Girls Head Coach – Patrick Whalen
      - Assistant Coaches
  - Coach Education and Certification Director
    - Level 200 Coordinator



# Public Relations

- Tonya McPeak
  - Digital Assets Director
    - Photographer
    - Videographer
  - Media Director
    - New Reporter
    - Social Media Manager – Darian Power





# 2018 Events



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# 2018 EVENTS

- Spring 15s – mid March through end April
- State Championships Playoffs – May 5 & May 11
- State Championships Finals – May 12 & May 19
  - Same format as 2017
- Little League 7s – May 19 through June 23
  - Boys Little League 7s – Grades K through 6
  - Girls Little League 7s – Grades K through 6
  - Middle School 7s – Grades 6 & 7



# 2017 / 2018 Registration



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# 2017 / 2018 Club Registration

- Annual Club Registration
- Clubs pay \$100 to join UYR and register with USA Rugby.
- This partially covers the cost of registration with USA Rugby which is \$150 and is paid by UYR.
- This covers the period 1 September through August 31<sup>st</sup> each year.
- USA Rugby sees the following as separate clubs:
  - High School Boys
  - High School Girls
  - Middle School Boys / Youth Teams
  - Middle School Girls / Youth Teams
- Club uploads a .eps / pdf (vector files) of club logos



# 2017 / 2018 Team Registration

- Clubs enter teams in different leagues and seasons at a cost of \$50 per team per season / league.
- Examples of leagues and seasons are:
  - Fall 7s – Boys
  - Fall 7s – Girls
  - Spring 15s – Varsity Boys
  - Spring 15s – Middle School



# 2017 / 2018 High School and Middle School Player Registration

- \$130 Annual Player Fee – Covers both Fall 7s and Spring 15s
- Fee is NON-REFUNDABLE
- Payment plan
  - \$50 at registration
  - 3 Payments
- Added club dues are spread over the three payments
- Player uploads:
  - Current school ID card
  - Proof of current school registration





# 2018 Little League Player Registration

- Player Fee
  - Early Bird - \$50, \$75 and \$100
  - Regular - \$65, \$100 and \$130 (From March 1, 2018)
  - Late - \$80, \$115 and \$155 (From April 1, 2018)
- Fee is NON-REFUNDABLE
- NO Payment plan
- Player uploads:
  - School photo
  - Proof of current school registration



# Boys Spring 15s League



# 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



# 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



# 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



# 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



# 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



# Division / Conference Meeting



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# Division / Conference Meeting

- Determine teams
- Determine tiers
- Plan schedule

