



South San Jose Youth Soccer League Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2002

Meeting Type: Regular Monthly Board Meeting

Location: Los Paseos Community Center, 7047 Via Ramada, San Jose, CA 95139

Board Member Role Call:

Brad Kinne	President	Present
Tom Sumpter	Vice President	Present
Arlette Zimmerman	Treasurer	Absent
Bruce Bacon	Secretary	Present
Rosemary Alvarez	Registrar	Present
Phil Osuna	Referee Director	Present
Les Lucas	Equipment Director	Absent
Toby Bell	Competitive Teams Director	Present
John Dickinson	U8 Director	Present
Michel Dareau	Recreational Director	Present
Paul Nishimatsu	Fields Director	Absent
Courtney Carrell	Coaches and Safety Director	Absent
Karen Kinne	Communications and Activity Director	Present

Guests Present:

Lavon Morris	Coach / Tournament Director
Christine Alves	Referee Coordinator

A. The meeting was called to order at 7:08pm by Brad Kinne.

B. A quorum was verified. Nine board members were present, four absent.

C. A motion was made by Phil Osuna and seconded by John Dickinson to accept the minutes from the January 28th meeting with one correction; the word "none" should be changed to "all" in Section 6,a, iii. Motion carried.

D. Mail was distributed.

E. Guest business:

F. Board Member Reports:

1. President, Brad Kinne:

a. The new name for the Class 3 league (formerly CPL3) is the Delgado league.

b. District II has agreed to match the SSJYSL league donation of 250.00 each to two players from the Pumas who made the national ODP pool.

c. During the CYSA AGM, a proposal to eliminate player passes for rec players failed but it was decided that leagues may elect to eliminate player passes for “in-house only” rec teams. A brief discussion followed to determine if the board should do this but all were opposed and no motion was made.

d. Brad reported that the Sobrato field is currently planned to have 17 fields. The City of Morgan Hill has elected to provide one million dollars for the project. The City of San Jose wants nothing to do with it.

e. The Thanksgiving and South San Jose Invitational Tournaments currently have Guest Players allowed, last year there were problems, we need to discuss this with the tournament directors to avoid problems this year.

f. Brad reported that District II and CYSA want nothing to do with the proposed Shady Oaks Soccer Complex. Their reason is that the City of San Jose says they will want full control of the fields.

2. Vice President, Tom Sumpter

a. Nothing to report

3. Secretary, Bruce Bacon

a. Bruce reminded the board that he would like each of them to review their computer files and provide him with copies of any SSJSYL files so that he can continue building a reference library.

4. Registrar, Rosemary Alvarez

a. Rosemary outlined the walk in dates for registration. The dates, times, and locations are now posted on the web site.

b. Registration forms to returning players will go out Friday; the information includes forms, directions, and British Soccer Camp information.

c. Additional information regarding the British Soccer program will go out in about one month.

d. Rosemary needs volunteers to help at each of the walk in registrations. John, Bruce, and Tom all said that they would check their schedules and if possible try to help. Brad reminded everyone that District II has a scholarship fund between five and eight thousand dollars but hardly anyone has used it in the past. He added that SSJYSL used one or two thousand dollars of the fund last year and hardly any of the other leagues made much use of the fund.

e. Rosemary updated the board on the ads being placed in potpourri. The first ad will come out next week and will run for eight weeks.

5. Referee Director, Phil Osuna

a. Phil reported that he has set up three referee classes for the league, one in April, one in July, and one in August. All classes will be held at Calvary Chapel Church in San Jose. Field clinics will follow each of the classes; the clinics will address mechanics, referee/AR communication, dealing with coaches and parents, professionalism, offside and basic foul recognition.

b. Phil advised that in addition to the beginner field clinics, an advance field clinic has been scheduled for Saturday, July 27th. This clinic may also address items such as mechanics, offside, foul recognition, and referee/AR communication.

6. Competitive Teams Director, Toby Bell

a. Toby advised that the coach's meeting went well but there are some issues that need to be addressed.

b. Toby advised that the issue of properly defining "age pure" had come up and at least one of the Class 1 coaches said it is a problem. Toby needs to have a clear policy set in stone for a guideline. Toby also reported that we need to look into further defining the rules and regulations for same age teams trying out in different classes. Tom Sumpter referenced the Class 1 and 3 policy that was distributed at our last meeting and advised that it covers both of these subjects. Some discussion followed concerning the distribution of the policy and specifics of the policy and it was agreed that Tom and Toby would look into this a bit further.

c. Getting into storage is a problem and it is suspected that the bill might not be paid. Some discussion followed concerning problems in the past with the storage company's method of billing. Brad will talk to Arlette about this.

d. The U14 girls and U9 girl's teams do not have coaches. Toby thinks he has a coach for U14 team but is still looking for a U9 coach. Toby has spent considerable time on the phone trying to recruit a coach but is also asking the board for referrals

e. Toby would like to propose new goals and nets for class 1 and 3 fields.

f. Toby asked if we can we schedule games for class1 and 3 at Martin Murphy. Brad Kinne stated that Saturday games should be OK but there is an adult league using Martin Murphy on Sundays.

7. U8 Director, John Dickinson

a. Nothing to report

8. Recreational Director, Michel Dareau

a. Michel is working on a program to write schedules but he did not have a chance to discuss with Doris and would appreciate any help any of the board could give. Brad advised that he has a program that can do scheduling and will share it with Michel.

b. Michel raised the issue of coed teams and there was some discussion on what would be a good minimum number of girls.

9. Communications and Activity Director, Karen Kinne

a. Karen reported that the first newsletter has not been completed yet and thanked all board members who have already contributed.

b. Karen asked Toby about including something in the newsletter regarding his need for a U9 coach and Toby said he would try to put something together.

c. Karen asked all those who have not yet contributed to consider doing so.

d. Santa Teresa High School is having a carnival the weekend of March 16th and for \$30.00 we can put up a booth as a league. Some discussion followed about possible uses.

e. Karen informed the board about Albertson's "Community Partners" fundraising program. Each user gets an Albertson's card and when used a percentage of the amount spent gets sent directly to the league. The board discussed this and decided to pursue it further.

G. Committee reports:

1. The Budget committee was formed to consist of Arlette, Brad, Tom and Phil. Brad will try to organize a meeting for later this week. He will coordinate via email.

H. Unfinished Business:

1. Brad distributed the proposed Zero Tolerance Policy. Toby motioned that the board accept and adopt the policy, Rosemary seconded. A discussion followed about the need for the policy in the U8 division and the player signature requirement in the U8 division. The general consensus was that it would be best to have the policy introduced early in the player / parent experience even though problems don't usually occur in those age groups. It was also agreed that only parent signatures would be expected at the U8 and U6 levels. Distribution and records management of the policy was also discussed and it was decided that that coaches will distribute the policy, gain signatures, collect, and then store the signed policy until end of the year. The motion was then put to a vote and the motion carried

2. Lavon discussed his proposal to the board to require that every team have one parent representative required to come to board meetings. A motion to open this for discussion was made by Rosemary seconded by Karen. The board discussed the proposal and it's intent and the general consensus was that while the intent of gaining more team involvement in board activities was good, requiring each team to participate would be impractical logistically. The board voted on the proposal and the motion failed.

3. The board then discussed various ways to enlist help and participation from the membership. This included making requests on the web site, in the newsletter, and via email to coaches and the team managers.

4. Bruce raised the issue of the Shady Oaks Complex and described the February 12th Community meeting as well as follow up emails and calls he has had concerning the project. Bruce motioned that the board support the complex and Phil seconded the motion. The board then discussed the potential for the league to make use of the project if completed and issues were raised about the fees the city would charge for it's use. Concerns were also raised that since the Century Neighborhood association is very vocal in opposing the project, if the city does proceed, it may make compromises in the design to the point that the project loses it's appeal for youth soccer. The motion was put to a vote and the motion passed.

I. New business

1. A motion was made by Toby and seconded by John to get a booth at the Santa Teresa High School festival. Motion carried.

2. Brad Kinne showed a sample of a tee shirt that the board could get with logos and potentially sell for a profit.

3. Brad advised that he found a source for pencils that could have the league name and web site printed on. The price is \$38.00 per thousand pencils. He suggested we could use them for free hand outs. Tom moved and Phil seconded to spend up to \$50.00 for pencils. Motion passed.

4. Brad suggested we get a list of videos available on the web site.

J. Good of the game

1. Santa Teresa girl's varsity won CCS championship second year in a row.

2. The Pioneer High School boy's varsity team won the CCS Championship.

K. Adjournment:

1. Motion to adjourn was made by Toby and seconded by Phil at 9:18pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce Bacon
Secretary
South San Jose Youth Soccer League

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday April 8th, at 7:00pm at the Los Paseos Community Center, 7047 Via Ramada, San Jose, CA 95139