



South San Jose Youth Soccer League Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2005

Meeting Type: Regular Monthly Board Meeting

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

Board Member Role Call:

Toby Bell	President	Present
Paul Villarreal	Vice President	Present
Arlette Zimmermann	Treasurer	Present
Bruce Bacon	Secretary	Present
Rosemary Alvarez	Registrar	Present
David Serrano	Referee Director	Present
Paul Nishimatsu	Fields Director	Present
Susan DePrima	Assistant Fields Director	Present
Mike Klis	Competitive Teams Director	Present
Rima Mohajerani	Tournaments Coordinator	Present
Nicole Gallizioli	Communication, Activity & Promotions Director	Absent
Don Crawford	U8 Director	Present
John Dickinson	Equipment Director	Absent
Stephen Ting	Coaches and Safety Director	Absent
Bruce Yost	Recreational Director	Present
Vacant	Youth Representative	----

Guests Present:

Patty Rashid	Team Parent
David Flores	Coach

- A. Toby Bell called the meeting to order at 7:13 pm.
- B. Role call was taken of voting boardmembers and a quorum was verified. 12 board members were present and 3 were absent.
- C. Guest Business:
 1. None
- D. Agenda approval: Mike Klis moved that we accept the Agenda. Rosemary seconded the motion. Motion carried
- E. Minutes approval: Mike moved that we accept the Nov 8, 2004 minutes. Arlette seconded the motion. Motion carried.

F. Correspondence:

1. None

G. Board Member Reports:

1. President: Toby Bell:

- a. Toby passed around literature on a fund raising promotion called Angie's List and gave a brief explanation on how it works. It is essentially set up to use our mailing address list to promote contractors services. No motions were made and Toby said he will look into it more.
- b. Toby went to the CYSA Presidents workshop yesterday. Toby was disappointed that several presentations were cancelled including one that was scheduled on the issue of fields. Toby outlined what was presented in the registration presentation, which essentially promoted online registration instead of hard copy registration. He asked Rosemary how she felt about on line registration and she said that she felt more comfortable with hard copy registration. Rosemary said she would contact Brian Siwy to find out more about the online option.
- c. The Presidents workshop also included a Presidents Round Table meeting where the various league Presidents shared their league policies with the other Presidents. Toby reported that everyone liked our zero tolerance policy very much and he expects many leagues will model similar policies after our policy. Another policy from our league that was well liked was our coaches approval policy and specifically the process we use to approve coaches by first performing a phone survey in order to get feedback from team parents.
- d. Toby showed the board a sample of the league shirts that will be handed out to the older players.
- e. We had a response to our request for a Youth Representative from Rima's Daughter, Tanya Mohajerani. Tanya wrote a letter to the board explaining why she wanted to participate in the position. Toby read the letter to the board. Bruce Bacon moved that we elect Tanya Mohajerani to the position of Youth Representative. Don Crawford seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. Vice President: Paul Villarreal:

- a. Paul reported that he has been speaking to various individuals and organizations in order to seek ideas that would benefit the league. One of the groups he spoke with about our league was Asby Sports. As a result, Asby's has offered all individual South San Jose league members a discount on merchandise not already on sale of 10% to 25%, depending on the item. Special ordered items do not qualify. Anyone wishing to take advantage of this should ask for Daniel Ko at Asby Sports, 392 N. Capitol Avenue in San Jose.

3. Treasurer: Arlette Zimmermann:

- a. The year-end for the league is at the end of February so Arlette asked all board members to turn in any receipts for last year before then.
- b. We need to form a budget committee and all board members who want to suggest changes in the budget should do so soon.
- c. Toby and Arlette both said that they felt a registration fee increase is needed this year. A discussion followed about the reason for the increase, which is based on concerns about increased field fees and maintenance costs, referee fees, and increase District and CYSA fees. Following this discussion there was a discussion about how large a fee increase would be appropriate and how to spread it out over the various age groups. Don moved that we adjust player registration fees for the U8 and younger age players to \$110.00 and to \$125.00 for all players above U8. Paul Villarreal seconded. 9 for, 2 against, 0 abstentions. Motion carried.

4. Secretary: Bruce Bacon:

- a. Bruce passed out a new board member contact list and asked all board members to let him know about any changes or corrections as soon as possible.

5. Registrar: Rosemary Alvarez:

- a. We have changed the name of the financial aid program to the Scholarship Fund. Rosemary has been working with Paul Villarreal on the issue and Paul has drafted a Scholarship Fund application form that includes a table outlining income qualification guidelines. Rosemary passed around the form for the board members to review. The board then discussed the form. After discussion the board elected to adopt the form but Paul and Rosemary will continue to work on drafting a table that the league can use to define the amount of scholarship we will give. Arlette was asked to allocate some funds into the budget for this fund.

6. Referee Director: David Serrano:

- a. We have at least 10 new referees this year and while this is good news David's concern is that some of the older referees are going to other leagues for higher pay. This does not seem like a serious problem yet but David is monitoring the issue. There was some discussion about how our fees compare to other leagues.

7. Fields Director: Paul Nishimatsu:

- a. Toby asked Paul Nishimatsu for his thoughts on the possibility of us purchasing an aerator attachment for the league mower so that we will be able to aerate the fields. Paul felt this would not be an option with the mower that we have.
- b. Paul Villarreal described a seed donation program from a company called Kaboom that he has heard about from Home Depot. He outlined the program to Paul Nishimatsu and the rest of the board. Paul Nishimatsu advised that we paid about \$6500.00 for reseeding last year. The discussion turned to the leagues ability to influence the school districts to water fields properly and the state of the sprinkler systems on the fields. Costs for replacing sprinkler systems was discussed and Susan reported that at the school she works one field had sprinklers replaced for a cost of \$28,000. Arlette voiced her frustration with the shape of the fields since joining the board and said that we should use the money we have allocated in the budget for field improvements wisely. Paul Nishimatsu outlined the problems he faces dealing with the school district. Toby suggested that we as a board wait until spring to see how the reseed we already did "takes" and see if the school district begins watering properly. Paul Nishimatsu explained that at Bernal the problem is with the main valves and not the sprinklers themselves. He estimated each main valve would cost approximately \$150.00 each but he will get an official quote for the board. He added that the problem will be finding the main valves since the school district does not have blueprints of the sprinkler system layout and the system was build many years ago. Toby suggested that we target the fields at Bernal for improvement first. Toby also asked Paul Nishimatsu to consider how the grates on the Bernal oval can be covered as many coaches have complained about the grates being a safety hazard during games.

8. Assistant Fields Director: Susan DePrima:

- c. Nothing to report.

9. Competitive Teams Director: Mike Klis:

- a. Tryout dates are set for January 29th and March 5th. The reason for the gap is due to the State Cup and Association Cup dates. Times and locations are on the website. Mike will need help with running tryouts for some age groups because of a current shortage of coaches.
- b. The competitive coaches meeting is January 24th here at the Los Paseos Community Center.

10. Tournaments Coordinator: Rima Mohajerani:

- a. Toby passed the Tournaments Coordinator Manual to Rima for her to review.
- b. We need two tournament directors. One for the Radesic Tournament on Labor Day Weekend and another for the Thanksgiving Tournament.

11. Communication, Activity & Promotions Director: Nicole Gallizioli:

- a. No report.

12. U8 Director, Don Crawford:

- a. Nothing to report.

13. Equipment Director: John Dickinson:

- a. No report

14 Coaches and Safety Director: Stephen Ting:

- a. No report.

15. Recreational Director: Bruce Yost

- a. Nothing to report

H. Committee reports:

- 1. None

I. Unfinished Business:

- 1. None

J. New business:

1. The date for the Board dinner was set as January 31st, at 6:30pm at the Ocean Palace.

K. Schedule of next meeting:

1. The next regular SSJYSL board meeting will be on March 7, 2005 at 7:00 at the Los Paseos Community Center.

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1. Oak Grove Eagles Boys Varsity is in first place at 4-1.

M. Adjournment:

1. A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Klis and seconded by Bruce Bacon at 09:20 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce Bacon
Secretary
South San Jose Youth Soccer League

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for March 7 , 2005 at 7:00 at the Los Paseos Community Center, 7047 Via Ramada, San Jose, CA 95139