



# South San Jose Youth Soccer League Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2005

**Meeting Type:** Regular Monthly Board Meeting

**Location:** Tomato Thyme Restaurant, 5631 Cottle Road, San Jose, CA 95123

## Board Member Role Call:

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

## Guests Present:

Jeff Lynn                      U11 Class 3 Girls United Coach

- A. Paul Villarreal called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.
- B. Role call was taken and a quorum was verified. 10 board members were present and 6 were absent.
- C. Guest Business:

1. Jeff Lynn explained that he was a Mount Hamilton coach and has moved over to South San Jose this year along with the core of his team. He is coaching a U11 Class 3 girl's team called Girls United.

The reason he is attending the meeting is that he has one player that has been with his team for three years and is underage in the U11 bracket. She is two years younger and would normally play in the U9 age bracket. Jeff would like to get board approval to allow her to play with his team. A number of board members asked questions about the player, the

background, and his team. Paul advised the board vote on the issue would be done during our discussion of new business.

- D. Agenda approval: Rosemary moved that we accept the agenda. Arlette seconded the motion. Motion carried
- E. Minutes approval: The May 9 and July 11 minutes have not been completed yet and were not available for approval.

F. Correspondence:

- 1. None

G. Board Member Reports:

1. President: Toby Bell:

- a. No report

2. Vice President: Paul Villarreal:

- a. We have received the new league banner measuring 4 ft X 10 ft. Toby has already set it up at Spartan Stadium and it will be visible during telecasts of Earthquakes games. Paul asked if the coaches know that through our agreement with the Earthquakes the coaches can join the Earthquakes during half time while the team prepares for the second half of their games. The various coaching coordinators were not in attendance to confirm this but several board members commented that they believe the word has gotten out.
- b. Paul asked if opening day is proceeding. Rosemary advised it is scheduled for September 11<sup>th</sup> at Oakridge. Rosemary summarized for the board some of the activities and guests that are planned.
- c. Paul stated that there have been some issues that fallen by the way side since the beginning of the year and mentioned fields as one of them.. He brought up the Home Depot program that he had described at the beginning of the year which is in place to sponsor field improvements. Home Depot has already done fields in Santa Cruz and for the PAL league, etc. Paul is concerned that although this was brought up early in the year he has not seen any attempts yet by our league to contact Home Depot regarding their sponsorship programs.
- d. Paul also pointed out that we are not using our league web site to offer advertising to league sponsors. Paul pointed out that we have almost 1000 families in the league and suggested that we are not utilizing the power of our membership to secure sponsors.

- e. Paul V. pointed out that Almaden league has secured Gunderson High school fields for their league use. He suggested that we should try a similar arrangement with Santa Teresa or Oak Grove High School. Paul Nishimatsu said he understood that they were paying \$600.00 per weekend. Paul V. and Rima said that they heard it was a rate of \$250.00 per team, per season. Paul V. asked the board members to come up with ideas to address this by the next meeting.
  - f. Paul said that he feels that as a league we are not consistent enough when enforcing league rules. He cited examples concerning uniform variations and playing up issues. Several board members commented on this subject.
3. Treasurer: Arlette Zimmermann:
- a. Arlette would like clarification of the league policy for reimbursement of league uniforms. John clarified that the rule is that they must have the new Cosmo uniform within two years of the original ruling or they will not be eligible for the league uniform reimbursement.
4. Secretary: Bruce Bacon:
- a. Bruce asked the board if they had seen the email last week from Charlie Retner ruling or they will not be eligible for the league uniform reimbursement.
5. Registrar: Rosemary Alvarez:
- a. Registration is over for the most part and now stands at 976.
  - b. Competitive team packets are coming, several teams still owe paperwork.
  - c. Rosemary has around 20 scholarship requests and needs to process them. Rosemary said she would like to take care of them all at once and asked the board to consider approving them at this time. Arlette moved that we accept all 20 applications and require only 50.00 registration fee per player for each application. Sue seconded. Motioned carried.
6. Referee Director: David Serrano:
- a. No report.

7. Fields Director: Paul Nishimatsu:

- a. The Bernal lock box has been repaired and is in operation again.
- b. Paul will be attending the school district field coordinators meeting and he has heard that this year they will be requiring a small fee for field use.

8. Assistant Fields Director: Susan DePrima:

- a. Nothing to report.

9. Competitive Teams Director: Mike Klis:

- a. No report.

10. Tournaments Coordinator: Rima Mohajerani:

- a. Nothing to report

11. Communication, Activity & Promotions Director:

- a. No report.

12. U8 Director, Don Crawford:

- a. No report.

13. Equipment Director: John Dickinson:

- a. We are still waiting to get balls before setting up the coach's pickup schedule. John also will be getting ice packs for the first aid boxes.
- b. There is a big first aid kit in the storage shed and John was wondering what it is for. Arlette advised it is used for tournaments.
- c. Paul asked John to get 75 cases of field paint and two paint machines.

14 Coaches and Safety Director: Stephen Ting:

- a. The positive coaching alliance training for board members is this Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, from 7pm to 9pm at Los Paseos Clubhouse.

15. Recreational Director: Bruce Yost

- a. No Report

16. Youth Representative: Tanya Mohajerani

- a. Tanya is planning to put a form together asking players questions about their coaches. Several board members also suggested that parents could also be asked.

H. Committee reports:

1. None

I. Unfinished Business:

1. Paul Villarreal asked the board to now vote on the issue raised by Jeff Lynn earlier in the meeting requesting that the board allow one player to play up on his U11 team. Bruce moved that we allow the player Jeff requested to play up. Paul Nishimatsu seconded. The result of the vote was 3 for, 5 against, 1 abstention. Motion failed.

J. New business:

1. None

K. Schedule of next meeting:

The next regular SSJYSL board meeting will be on September 7, 2005 at 7:00pm at the Tomato Thyme Restaurant, 5631 Cottle Road, San Jose, CA 95123

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1. None

M. Adjournment:

1. A motion to adjourn was made by Bruce and seconded by Rosemary at 09:08pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce Bacon  
Secretary  
South San Jose Youth Soccer League

*The next regular board meeting is scheduled for September 7 , 2005 at 7:00 at the Tomato Thyme Restaurant, 5631 Cottle Road, San Jose, CA 95123*