



# South San Jose Youth Soccer League Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2006

**Meeting Type:** Regular Monthly Board Meeting

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

## Board Member Role Call:

Bruce Yost	President	Present
Don Crawford	Vice President	Present
Arlette Zimmermann	Treasurer	Absent
Bruce Bacon	Secretary	Present
Rosemary Alvarez	Registrar	Present
David Serrano	Referee Director	Present
Donna Serrano	Referee Scheduler	Absent
Kurt Kanavel	Fields Director	Present
Paul Nishimatsu	Assistant Fields Director	Present
Rick Simons	Assistant Fields Director	Present
Nicole Gallizioli	Competitive Teams Director	Absent
Vacant	Recreational Director	----
Tim Martin	U8 Director	Absent
Stephen Ting	Coaches and Safety Director	Present
Rima Mohajerani	Tournaments Coordinator	Present
Laura Lewis	Equipment Director	Present
Vacant	Communication, Activity & Promotions Director	----
Tanya Mohajerani	Youth Representative	Absent

## Guests Present:

Mario Gomez	Coach of the BU12 Pumas
Frank Teruel	Coach of the U14 Quakes and the U16 Clash
Steve Meyer	Assistant Coach of the U14 Quakes and the U16 Clash

- A. Bruce Yost called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm.
- B. Role call was taken and a quorum was verified. 10 board members were present and 6 were absent at the start of the meeting. 1 board member arrived late and 1 left early.
- C. Guest Business:
1. Mario Gomez explained to the board that he is the coach of the U12 boys C3 Puma's USA team from Gilroy. He has provided all registration paperwork to Rosemary and is hoping to be approved by the league as a coach. Several board members asked Mario about his knowledge of and

willingness to abide by league rules. He confirmed he was aware of the Uniform rules and the requirement that the team name include either "SSJ" or "South San Jose". Bruce Yost explained practice field policy and the requirement that all games be played on SSJ fields. He also explained the importance of only advertising for new players in within SSJ boundaries. Mario acknowledged his understanding of all the rules discussed. He said that he would like to continue to have his team practice at the Gilroy High School. Bruce Yost said this should be ok since it has already worked out with Brian Hall's team. Brian has a special arrangement with Gilroy High School and this does not infringe on the normal Orchard Valley practice fields.

Mario also advised that he has two players that have played with the team for 5 years, but are playing up one year in age. Bruce Yost advised this will require approval by a board vote.

Mario also said they just bought new uniforms (navy blue) and asked if he could have an exemption from the uniform requirement. Mario showed the board his current jersey and several board members noted it looks very similar to our currently required jersey.

There was a general discussion about these various issues.

Laura moved that we allow the two players that have been playing up with the Puma's team for several years to continue to play up with the Puma's in South San Jose. Bruce Bacon seconded the motion. Vote was 8 for, 0 against, 1 abstain. Motion Carried.

Kurt moved that we allow the Puma's to keep their current uniform until the fall 2007 season provided they have the league logo put on their current jerseys. Laura seconded the motion. The vote was 8 for, 1 against, 0 abstain. Motion carried.

Rosemary moved that we approve Mario Gomez as coach in the South San Jose league pending a phone call background check with team parents. Bruce Bacon seconded the motion. The vote was 10 for, 0 against, 0 abstain. Motion carried.

2. Frank Teruel introduced himself as the coach of the Girls U14 Quakes. He would like to ask for board approval for his 11 ½ year old daughter to play up on the team. She has played U12 previously with the SSJ Shock and has also played with the Quakes in South Bay league.

Kurt moved that we allow Robin Teruel to play up on the SSJ Class 3 U14 Quakes. David Serrano seconded the motion. Stephen Ting, Paul, and Linda gave the board some background on her since she had played on their team. They all felt comfortable with Robin's ability to play up. The vote was 6 for, 1 against, 3 abstain. Motion carried.

- D. Agenda approval: Don moved that we accept the Agenda. Kurt seconded the motion. Motion carried
- E. Minutes approval: Stephen moved that we accept the May 8, 2006 minutes. David seconded the motion. Motion carried.

F. Correspondence:

1. None

G. Board Member Reports:

1. President: Bruce Yost:
  - a. The new soccer complex is still moving forward and they will have a contractor look at road easement issues soon. Funds will be needed before 30<sup>th</sup> August. Los Gatos league is the first one to pay the funds to the District and has put in \$10,000.00. Our obligation is \$44,000. There are still issues being raised by CYSA North. They are saying the District does not have authority to do this on their own. The District is going to retain a lawyer to help address this issue.
  - b. Bruce Yost has been asking the District for a business plan for the complex but they seem to need a volunteer to put one together. Bruce advised he may volunteer.
  - c. The District is going to have a new form for add and transfers
  - d. The District has advised that there were a number of red cards this spring, mostly for dissent.
  - e. The District does not want Delgado teams moving up to Abronzino if they have sub 500 records.
  - f. Bruce went to the President's workshop in Santa Clara. While there he learned of a company that is offering to audit the league books for \$4000.00. Discussion followed. General feeling is that Arlette does a good job and there is no need for us to hire an outside auditor, but it would be a good idea for someone from our league to take a look at the books just to have another set of eyes on them.

2. Vice President: Don Crawford:
  - a. Don attended the San Jose Referee Association's meeting that was held for planning the recognition program. They feel that the only cost to the league would be about \$25.00 per referee recognized for the cost of the award plaque. Someone from the league would need to attend and assist in the presentation of the award at the Association meeting in December. Don reported to the board the criteria for selection that was discussed at the meeting. Criteria for nominees were: reliability, availability, respect given to players, attendance at rule update meetings, etc. [Don moved that we officially participate in the San Jose Referee Associations Recognition program with a maximum budget of \\$150.00. Bruce Bacon seconded the motion. Motion carried.](#)
  - b. Don advised that if anyone wants a copy of the updated league budget Arlette gave him a copy before leaving for vacation.
3. Treasurer: Arlette Zimmermann:
  - a. No report
4. Secretary: Bruce Bacon:
  - a. Nothing to report.
5. Registrar: Rosemary Alvarez:
  - a. Registration is continuing well. There are a lot of Recreational players registering.
  - b. Most of the competitive teams have their paperwork in, however a few of the new coaches are not doing the paperwork or waiting until the last minute.
  - c. Registration signs are up at Santa Teresa, Herman, and Martin Murphy.
6. Referee Director: David Serrano:
  - a. The class A referee class dates are now reserved for Aug 14, 15, 16 and 21, 23 and 24.
  - b. We will probably hold a field clinic and referee refresher the week after the referee class.
  - c. Tim Martin has talked to David about possibly setting up a program to have U8 referees by using newer and younger refs. Costs would be minimal. David is still looking into this.

7. Referee Scheduler: Donna Serrano:

- a. No report.

8. Fields Director: Kurt Kanavel:

- a. Only one team ended up playing on the Santa Teresa artificial turf field even after the league put up \$1250.00 deposit. Santa Teresa is allowing us to roll the funds over to fall season. Feedback is that a number of Comp teams plan to use the field during the fall. Price is set at \$80.00 per game, per team. Kurt is expecting to have a schedule available at the end of July and expects a number of teams to buy slots in advance.
- b. The Oak Grove field will also be available on an irregular basis.
- c. In general watering is going fine and the school district seems to be working well with the FC's.

9. Assistant Fields Director: Paul Nishimatsu:

- a. Paul reported that the Martin Murphy reseeding done last year was not done correctly and it needs to be done again. Gophers are continuing to be an ongoing problem. Doing it properly will cost some money and the school district will be contacting the adult league that plays on those fields to see if they will contribute.



Several board members commented that they were hesitant for the league to contribute any more money and effort into Martin Murphy unless the adult league contributes. It was also pointed out that there are a number of elementary schools in our boundaries that we are not utilizing. Kurt said that he was willing to help Paul, who is the FC at Martin Murphy to meet with the adult league or principal, etc. if needed in order to reach a decision on how to deal with the gophers and reseeding. In any event, he would like to have a decision within the next week or he will consider discontinuing the use of Martin Murphy.

10. Assistant Fields Director: Rick Simons:

- a. Nothing to report.

11. Competitive Teams Director: Nicole Gallizioli:
  - a. No Report
12. Recreational Director: Vacant:
  - a. No report
13. U8 Director: Tim Martin:
  - a. No Report
14. Coaches and Safety Director: Stephen Ting:
  - a. Stephen reported he is planning to hold an "E" course on July 7,8,9 and an "F" course on July 28,29
15. Tournaments Coordinator: Rima Mohajerani:
  - a. Since the Morgan Hill lease is expected to be extended for several years Rima said she will review the tournaments we used to hold, look at the dates, potential volunteers, etc and evaluate the potential for us to begin hosting tournaments again. Applications will be due in several months so we will need to make decisions soon. Bruce Yost said he would help if we start up the Thanksgiving Tournament and there were some suggestions made about possible volunteers for the Tom Radesic Memorial Tournament.
16. Equipment Director: Laura Lewis:
  - a. Laura reported she is still working on getting uniforms ordered but she expects to finalize it next week.
  - b. Adidas Cosmo style is available until fall 2007. Laura is looking at possible replacement styles.
17. Communication, Activity & Promotions Director: Vacant
  - a. No report.
18. Youth Representative: Tanya Mohajerani
  - a. No report.

H. Committee reports:

1. None

I. Unfinished Business:

1. Kurt said "she" (while pointing to Rosemary) has handed me the job of putting together Opening Day Activities. Kurt asked for input on improvements from last year. Several board members commented that better coordination of food booths would be nice as well as having more volunteers to help. Kurt asked for any more ideas to be emailed to him.

J. New business:

1. Rick wanted to raise the issue that spring ref fees, currently \$20.00 for the AR and \$25.00 for the center, do not seem in line with other leagues or fall fees. After some discussion, Bruce Yost suggested that Rick work with David to come up with a new pay schedule for both spring and fall.

K. Schedule of next meeting:

1. The next regular SSJYSL board meeting will be on July 10, 2006 at 7:00 in the Los Paseos Community Center.

L. Good of the game

1. None reported

M. Adjournment:

1. A motion to adjourn was made by Don and seconded by Kurt at 9:30 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce Bacon  
Secretary  
South San Jose Youth Soccer League