



South San Jose Youth Soccer League Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2007

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	Absent
Arlette Zimmermann	Treasurer	Present
Bruce Bacon	Secretary	Present
Rosemary Alvarez	Registrar	Present
David Serrano	Referee Director	Present
Kurt Kanaval	Fields Director	Present
Rick Simons	Assistant Fields Director	Present
Alan Chase	Assistant Fields Director	Present
Anh Nguyen	Competitive Teams and Coaching Director	Absent
Claudio Fleiner	Recreational Director	Present
Ghassan Khadder	U8 Director	Present
Paul Nishimatsu	Tournaments Coordinator	Present
Laura Lewis	Equipment Director	Present
Karan Nolan	Communication, Activity & Promotions Director	Present
Bill Mayne	Abronzino Rep	Present
Vacant	Delgado Rep	----
Jessica Chase	Youth Representative	Present

Guests Present:

Jim Yumen	U10 Class 4 coach
Paul Gurierrez	Father of player looking to play up on U10 team
Nikolas Gurerrez	Player
Armando Gonzalez	Field coordinator

- A. Bruce Yost called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
- B. Role call was taken and a quorum was verified. 15 board members were present and 2 were absent.
- C. Guest Business:
1. Jim Yumen explained that he is trying to keep players together from last fall on his U10 class 4 team and he is here to ask that the board approve Nikolas Gurierrez playing up on his team. He explained that his team was 4-6-0 last year and he is not making the request to dominate the age group. He said his only interest is in keeping boys together because they are friends but he doubts that they will be a dominate team. Claudio

asked a number of questions and a number of board members asked questions and voiced opinions about what potential concerns and benefits might be. Claudio said that he did not have a big problem with Nikolas playing up but he does intend to make the teams as even as possible and therefore cannot guarantee that Nikolas will be assigned to Jim's team. Paul Gurierrez, Nikolas's father, said that if he is not allowed to play on Jim's team then he would prefer to continue to play U8. After all discussion the Bruce Yost advised the group that the board would consider his request near the end of the meeting.

D. Agenda approval: *Bill moved that we accept the Agenda. Claudio seconded the motion. Motion carried*

E. Minutes approval: *Bill moved that we accept the May 2007 minute with amendments. Alan seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

F. Correspondence:

1. Arlette distributed mail

G. Board Member Reports:

1. President: Bruce Yost:

- a. Bruce has spent a lot of time this past month dealing with District 2 regarding the issue of allowing the PSA teams into SSJYSL. Los Gatos YSL is a bit upset also. The issue is not over yet. In addition, now other teams have requested similar moves. The Districts issue is that players are allowed to move across league boundaries but teams are not. Most likely the PSA teams will ultimately be allowed in to SSJYSL but the District has still not given final approval.
- b. The Hollister soccer complex still has a big challenge of raising \$20 million dollars. Some people are suggesting starting with 3 or 4 grass fields right away. Bruce has also noticed interest is waning a little bit since it has now been confirmed that the Morgan Hill complex will be remain open for years to come.
- c. Registration has started with the new computerized system but there has been some complaints. It was reported at the District meeting that we can expect the bugs to be worked out before State Cup.
- d. Bruce will distribute red card reports to David.
- e. Referee fees for Abronzino games at Morgan Hill will go up to \$670.00
- f. Bill has the pins for Spring League.
- g. Spring League generated \$120,000 for the District and is the biggest revenue generator for the year.

- h. District Cup games for the older age groups will start Oct 6,7 and then will continue in November.
 - i. The SSJ Ruckus U19 boys team that went to State Cup did very well and has gone on to play in Las Vegas. There is some question about SSJYSL and District contribution for the teams travel. There was some concern about insuring the players get any money donated as opposed to team management. By reimbursing a player directly, there may be NCAA issues. So far, the District has voted to give the team \$2500.00 for expenses. Since the coach is not available for questions at this time SSJYSL will table the issue.
2. Vice President: Don Crawford:
- a. No report
3. Treasurer: Arlette Zimmermann:
- a. Arlette will go “home” on vacation June 22 through July 22. While on vacation, she will tell people she will be going “home” on July 22. This seems to confirm suspicions that Arlette is a gypsy and home is wherever she hangs her hat.
 - b. Arlette confirmed that she has secured the \$2 million dollar liability insurance as approved in May.
4. Secretary: Bruce Bacon:
- a. Bruce thanked Alan for taking notes for the May meeting.
5. Registrar: Rosemary Alvarez:
- a. The deadline for registration has passed but Rosemary will still accept any that come in during the near future while she continues to process the ones she has received..
 - b. Deadline for Delgado for online registration is July 13.
6. Referee Director: David Serrano:
- a. David needs to send in fees for the August referee class
 - b. David is planning to set up some referee clinics using scrimmage games. He is trying to organize this within the next 4-8 weeks.

- c. David reported that there was an issue with a referee from another league not allowing a SSJYSL player to play in a game because she was wearing a head covering and long pants for religious reasons. The referee was wrong to do this.
7. Fields Director: Kurt Kanaval :
- a. Kurt reported that Spring season went well and he heard no complaints regarding fields.
 - b. PSA has requested to use fields on Sundays and has agreed to pay the league \$100.00 per game. There were some concerns raised by other board members questioning if PSA teams to play on the fields until they are registered. Discussion followed but no clear conclusion was reached.
 - c. Kurt reported that he had a meeting with San Jose Council Member Forest Williams and several others about ST lights. In general, it is looking more and more like lights may be allowed at ST soon. Kurt explained some of this issues and the progress that has been made. He also explained that several more meetings will still need to be held and then it will go to the Superintendent Nunez for approval.
 - d. Gunderson is available for all day Saturday activity.
 - e. A potentially huge issue is coming up regarding water. There is a county restriction of 10% water rationing that has not hit us yet but may hit us as time goes on.
 - f. We have not yet spent any money for Hydrotech to do anything.
 - g. Paul still has not turned over the mower and trailer in his possession but Kurt reported that Paul will be turning it in to the Stratford location within one to 2 weeks. Bruce Bacon asked Paul if he would confirm Kurt's statement is correct and Paul confirmed he would return both the mower and trailer to the league within 2 weeks.
 - h. Kurt had a lunch for all the School Principals and AD's and there is some debate about the reimbursement. This remained unresolved.
 - i. Kurt asked if the FC dinner at the end of the year was approved. There was some discussion about the dinner being cut from the budget during the February meeting. *Kurt moved that we approve \$600.00 to be included in the budget for an end of the year FC dinner. Bruce Bacon seconded the motion. The board then discussed the motion. Vote was 1 for, 4 against, and 6 abstain. Motion failed.*

- j. The Snack Shack at Gunderson starts operation on June 27th. All funds go to Cary Catching at Gunderson High School.
 - k. Laura reported that Oak Grove school district is getting funds from Bond measures for fields and also is considering securing city funds.
8. Assistant Fields Director: Rick Simons:
- a. Nothing to report
9. Assistant Fields Director: Alan Chase:
- a. Alan advised that the Cheetah's have folded and Alan said that Claudio's team has taken over the practice time slot. There was some discussion about teams that want various practice field time slots and Claudio reported that no team has yet signed up on any of the waiting lists on the website.
10. Competitive Teams and Coaching Director: Anh Nguyen:
- a. No report
11. Tournaments Coordinator: Paul Nishimatsu:
- a. Paul reported that the Radesic Tournament was not approved for Morgan Hill and instead that weekend went to a CV tournament. Therefore, SSJYSL will not hold the Radesic Tournament this year.
12. Communication, Activity & Promotions Director: Karen Nolan
- a. The Frogs will hold a SSJ youth night on Saturday July 14 and SSJYSL will be able to keep some funds for every ticket we sell. Rosemary will look at providing Karen the email addresses to advertize the event.
 - b. Karen is targeting August 1 for a newsletter. She is asking for articles from Bruce Yost, Jessica, and others. Most likely the newsletter will be emailed but this is still not firm.
 - c. Karen will be sending out letters requesting sponsorship and would like a league logo. Laura said she will send one to Karen.
 - d. Karen has a vendor who will do embroidered tee shirts and does not require a minimum order quantity.
13. U8 Director – Ghassan Khadder:
- a. Nothing to report

14. Equipment Director: Laura Lewis:

- a. Laura reported that at least one team has had problems getting the new uniforms but they should be available very soon.
- b. The logo issues reported last month are worked out and the suppliers have the logo.
- c. Laura will need to know soon how many Class 4 teams we will have so she can order the recreational uniforms. Rosemary said this would be no problem.

16. Recreational Director – Claudio Fleiner

- a. Claudio advised he has 5 coaches who are interested in coaching Class 4 teams.
- b. Karl Dewazien from CYSA has suggested that we buy his book and give them out to all the Class 4 coaches. No action has been taken.
- c. Claudio is asking who has the previous years evaluation information regarding coaches and Rosemary said she has it.
- d. Claudio needs to discuss the spring Class 4 fees for next year and Arlette said she would help.

17. Abronzino Rep: Bill Mayne:

- a. Bill has player pins for Spring Season and will give it Bruce Yost to pass to Ahn.
- b. Bill has sent out emails with team pricing for Abronzino and feels the issue is pretty much complete.

18. Delgado Rep: Vacant:

- a. No report.

19. Youth Representative: Jessica Chase

- a. Nothing to report.

H. Committees:

1. It was confirmed that Bill will chair the Club Affiliation Committee and Bruce Yost, Bruce Bacon, Janet Kulig, Laura, and Claudio will be on the committee. It was also noted that “USA17” is now “Ruckus Youth Soccer Organization”.

I. Unfinished Business:

1. Bruce Yost asked the board about U-Print-U's fingerprinting and the plan is to have them come to coaches meetings. Rosemary said they would come to 2 coaches meetings if needed and also said that fingerprinting of Assistant coaches will follow, but added that depending on who shows up for which meeting it could take some time to get all fingerprints.
2. Regarding the U8 player Nickolas Gurerrez who wants to play up to U10. *Karen moved that Nickolas Gurerrez be allowed to play up to U10 class 4. Kurt seconded. 11 for, 2 against, 1 abstention. Motion carried.*

J. New business:

1. It was reported that Armando Gonzalas wants to be the Delgado rep. By this point in the meeting however, Armando had left so no action was taken.
2. Bill said Ahn needs to send an email to coaches about the Delgado and Abronzino deadlines
3. Rosemary reported that Andrea Hagland, who is currently on Tracy Hess's team would like to play up on the GU11 Class 3 SSJ Hotshots. *Bill moved that we allow Andrea Hagland to play up one year. Alan seconded. 9 for Motion approved.*
4. The U16 Lobitos called Rosemary and asked to play in SSJ in fall. They said they only have 3-4 of the previous players and have found a number of other players to join the team. Bruce Yost explained that they would need to go through the normal process of coach approvals, etc. before they would be allowed.

K. Schedule of next meeting:

1. The next SSJYSL board meeting will be on July 9, 2007 at 7:00 in the Los Paseos Community Center.

L. Good of the game

1. The BU12 C3 SSJ Skyhawks placed first in their division during Spring Season.
2. The BU17 C3 SSJ Lions placed first in their division during Spring Season.

M. Adjournment:

1. *A motion to adjourn was made by Rosemary and seconded by Alan at 9:35 pm.
Motion carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce Bacon".

Bruce Bacon
Secretary
South San Jose Youth Soccer League