



South San Jose Youth Soccer League Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2007

Meeting Type: Regular Monthly Board Meeting

Location: Tomato Tyme, 5631 Cottle Road, San Jose, CA 95123

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	Present
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	Absent
Vacant	Delgado Rep	----
Jessica Chase	Youth Representative	Present

Guests Present:

John Cleveland	BU17 Ruckas
Rhonda Teruel	BU17 Clash & GU15 Quakes

- 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. None
- D. Agenda approval: *Rick moved that we accept the Agenda. Alan seconded the motion. Motion carried*
- E. Minutes approval: *Alan moved that we accept the June 2007 minutes. (there was no meeting in July) Kurt seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

F. Correspondence:

1. None

G. Board Member Reports:

1. President: Bruce Yost:

- a. Bruce reported that there is an issue pending at CYSA North concerning paid trainers not being properly processed through the individual leagues. CYSA is concerned that each trainer needs to file a 1099 form with the State and the league is responsible to police this issue. There are a number of issues with the league taking on this responsibility and CYSA North is trying to come up with some guidelines.

2. Vice President: Don Crawford:

- a. No report

3. Treasurer: Arlette Zimmermann:

- a. We received a check from an aged out team, the SSJ Synergy for \$108.00 to be used to reconcile their account.
- b. We have rolled over the money that was parked in a CD to a new one.

4. Secretary: Bruce Bacon:

- a. Nothing to Report

5. Registrar: Rosemary Alvarez:

- a. Registration is now complete. Rosemary doesn't have the exact tally but we have a bit more than 1000 players.
- b. The coaching registration forms have changed and two coaches have not yet submitted their forms. We are holding their player passes until the forms are received.

6. Referee Director: David Serrano:

- a. We have referee classes currently in progress this week with approximately 28 – 30 people attending.
- b. We had 10 new referees in training this past weekend.
- c. We will be using the Arbitor system for scheduling referees this fall.

- d. Christine has requested that when game schedules are made we keep in mind that it will work well for scheduling referees if games are scheduled so that ages and classes are somewhat grouped together and with the older teams playing earlier in the day. It is not mandatory, but will help with referee scheduling because referees typically want to work about three games in a row.
 - e. We have a referee refresher class coming up next week.
7. Fields Director: Kurt Kanaval :
- a. Kurt has learned there will be no lights until November at Gunderson. This means the number of games we can play this fall will drop from previous estimates.
 - b. At Santa Teresa, we currently have six play days set and may secure more. We will be meeting with School Superintendent Nunez soon to discuss the light restrictions issue.
 - c. All grass fields are ready. Oakridge has had some issues with a water leak but the issue is getting addressed.
 - d. There has been an increase in coaches using schools within our boundaries for practice as a result of the District pushing to enforce the rules for teams to play within their own league bounds.
 - e. Kurt said that Paul Nishimatsu has agreed to turn over the Lazer mower to Stratford this Wednesday. Paul acknowledged this.
 - f. Bruce Yost reported that while we had previously told Almaden that we did not mind them using Steinbeck or Randall schools in Spring, Almaden would like to also use them for Fall. Almaden contacted the school district and were told that SSJYSL has already been allocated those fields. Kurt said that we don't need Steinbeck in fall but have planned to use Allen and Randall for practice. The board then discussed the issue and decided that in the interest of being good neighbors to the Almaden league we should once again allow Almaden to use Steinbeck or Randall for this fall. One issue is that we have two teams that are already scheduled to practice on those fields and they will need to continue to be allowed to practice on them. *Kurt moved that we pay the School District fee of \$450.00 each for fall use at Allen and Randall fields as previously planned and then allow Almaden to use those fields provided they reimburse those fees in full to SSJYSL and allow the two teams practicing on them to continue to practice on them. Bruce Bacon seconded the motion. The vote was 8 for, 2 against, 3 abstain. Motion carried.*

- g. Arlette raised the issue of the fields at Martin Murphy not receiving the attention that other fields have and Kurt explained that Martin Murphy is part of the Morgan Hill School District which is different from most of the other fields we use. He further explained that there had been some difficulties working with, and getting the same results from Morgan Hill as with the other school districts we work with. He also reported that we have a full schedule planned at Martin Murphy. Paul is the FC. A total of \$2500 has been allocated in our budget to maintain Martin Murphy but Kurt has not authorized use of those funds to date. Kurt then asked Paul to apply the funds as he sees fit for Martin Murphy.
8. Assistant Fields Director: Rick Simons:
- a. Nothing to report
9. Assistant Fields Director: Alan Chase:
- a. Nothing to report
10. Competitive Teams and Coaching Director: Anh Nguyen:
- a. We have completed the Positive Coaching Alliance class however only 2 people attended. The board then discussed the PCA program, it's merits, attendance, and ideas on how we might handle it next year. Ideas included making it mandatory for certain age groups, allowing it to count against the volunteer fee reimbursement requirements, partnering with other leagues, etc. After some discussion, many voiced the opinion that PCA is not appropriate for our league.
 - b. The E/D coaching class went well. About 10 people attended.
 - c. The F coaching class went well with about 15 people attending.
 - d. The E class is coming up this weekend. 5 people have signed up so far.
 - e. Anh sent out information to coaches on availability of a coaching manual from the league and received only 2 responses. Claudio pointed out that Mount Hamilton has a coaching manual on their website.
 - f. Several spring coaches have quit. Ahn is planning to talk to some of the parents to find out what happened.

- g. The Delgado coach meeting is this Thursday. Failure to show up will result in starting the season with minus two points for the team. Also, Delgado is saying that if coaches don't post scores within 48 hours of the games the league will be charged. *Bruce Bacon moved that any charges that occur as a result of Delgado league for failure to post scores within Delgado guidelines hours are charged back to the team and will without fields and refs until the payment is received. Kurt seconded. The vote was 11 for, 0 against, 1 abstain. Motion carried*

11. Tournaments Coordinator: Paul Nishimatsu:

- a. There will be a District cup meeting this week to go over field availability and plans for the various age groups. We have 8 SSJ teams signed up.

12. Communication, Activity & Promotions Director: Karen Nolan

- a. We will have our opening day celebration Sept 9th. Team pictures will be taken at opening day and the picture schedule is being distributed.
- b. We can collect old equipment and gear for distribution to third world countries. Will try to have a drop off area at opening day.
- c. Karen will send an email to coaches concerning opening day.
- d. Will need help with opening day, asking for board volunteers. Only a few people have signed up so far.
- e. There are enough articles submitted that the newsletter can be prepared. The newsletter will be mailed.
- f. Futsal and spring can be discussed at opening day.

13. U8 Director – Ghassan Khadder:

- a. We have 23 U8 teams in total.
- b. We had successful coaching meeting for u6 – u8. The coaches were instructed that they are to work for the benefit of the players.
- c. This Friday, Ghassan is asking veteran coaches to come share experiences with new coaches.

- d. Ahn brought up the issue of fingerprinting coaches that was discussed earlier in the year. Rosemary said that it has gotten sidelined due to workload, however CYSA still has some checks in place. The general plan is to go forward with the fingerprinting and background checks when time permits.

14. Equipment Director: Laura Lewis:

- a. All equipment ordered has been shipped and Laura is waiting for it to arrive. As soon as it does, Laura will set up three evenings where coaches can come by and pick up their equipment.

16. Recreational Director – Claudio Fleiner

- a. Teams are all listed on the web site. Two age groups are uneven.
- b. Pre F class was held last Thursday and 15 coaches showed up.

17. Abronzino Rep: Bill Mayne:

- a. No Report

18. Delgado Rep: Vacant:

- a. Rosemary moved that Anh be elected as the official Delgado rep for the league. Alan seconded. Motion carried.

19. Youth Representative: Jessica Chase

- a. Jessica asked what is listed on the website about her role on the board but Claudio said only her position is listed. Several board members commented that the role of the Youth Representative position is open for her to define and develop.

H. Committees:

- 1. No action this month.

I. Unfinished Business:

- 1. *Laura moved that we approve up to \$400.00 for shirts for board members. Alan seconded. The vote was 7 for, 2 against, and 2 abstain. Motion Carried.*

J. New business:

- 1. There was a request from John Cleveland for \$2500 to help offset travel expenses for the BU19 SSJ San Juan Ruckus team that traveled to

Regional in Las Vegas and Nationals in Dallas. *Kurt moved that we reimburse the BU19 SSJ Ruckus \$2500.00 for travel expenses. Bruce Bacon seconded. The vote was 10 for, 0 against, 1 abstain. Motion carried.*

2. John Cleveland put forth a proposal to run a pilot program for coaching clinics for SSJYSL U6 – U10 coaches. John passed out an outline to show what the proposed class would cover. Tim Martin would be the instructor and the outline calls for the clinic being a 3 hour course. If the course goes well then the program can be expanded with follow up courses on defense, offense, and set plays. After some discussion it was decided that Ghassan, Claudio, and Anh should coordinate the pilot program with John.

K. Schedule of next meeting:

1. The next SSJYSL board meeting will be on September, 10 2007 at 7:00 in the Los Paseos Community Center.

L. Good of the game

1. GU18 SSJ Freeze took second place in Pacifica and first place in the Mad River Classic.

M. Adjournment:

1. *A motion to adjourn was made by Rosemary and seconded by Alan at 9:41 pm. Motion carried.*

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce Bacon
Secretary
South San Jose Youth Soccer League