

**South San Jose Youth Soccer League  
Meeting Minutes**

**May 12, 2008**

**Meeting Type:** Regular Monthly Board Meeting

**Location:** Los Paseos Club House, 7047 Via Ramada, San Jose, CA 95139

**Board Member Roll Call**

Bruce Yost	President	Present
Don Crawford	Vice President	Present
Chantal Moser	Treasurer	Present
Laura Lewis	Secretary	Present
Rosemary Alvarez	Registrar	Present
David Serrano	Referee Director	Present
Alan Chase	Fields Director	Present
Rick Simons	Assistant Field Director	Present
John Cleveland	Assistant Fields Director	Present
Anh Nguyen	Competitive Teams and Coaching Director	Present
Claudio Fleiner	Recreation Director	Present
Ghassan Khadder	U8 Director	Absent
Paul Nishimatsu	Tournaments Coordinator	Present
Mike Karr	Equipment Director	Present
Karen Nolan	Communication, Activity and Promotions Director	Present
Anh Nguyen	Abrozino Rep	Present
Don Crawford	Delgado Rep	Present
Jessica Chase	Youth Representative	Absent

**Guests Present**

Dennis Costa, manager FC Independent (BU12)

- A. Bruce Yost called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.
- B. Role call was taken and a quorum was verified.
- C. Guest Business:

Dennis came to discuss a situation that occurred between a parent on his team and a league referee at his home game on April 26. The situation occurred when a player came onto the field during a substitution without referee permission. The center referee told the coach that he was not allowed to have players to come onto the field without permission. The parent of the player yelled at the referee to “let the kids play”. The AR

on the parent's side made a hand-motion to the parent to be quiet. The parent then made an obscene comment to the AR who reported it to the center referee. The center referee was unable to identify which parent made the comment so he ejected several parents from the field. The problem parent had to be told twice to leave. After the game Dennis and the referee identified the specific parent and Dennis spoke to him. The parent confirmed he had made the comment and Dennis told him it was out of line and inappropriate. Dennis called the referee scheduler to discuss the situation. Dennis felt the center referee handled the situation very well, as did the AR – however he did wonder if the whole situation MAY have been avoided if the AR did not make the hand motion. Even still, Dennis in no way condones the actions of the parent. Dennis and the coach definitely understand that the parent behaved inappropriately and it is their responsibility to manage sideline behavior.

The board discussed the situation and thanked Dennis for attending the meeting. Dennis was asked to have the parent in question to sign and return the zero-tolerance policy to Anh.

- D. Agenda Approval. [A motion passed to approve the agenda.](#)
- E. Minutes Approval. [A motion passed to approve the March minutes. A motion was passed to approve the April minutes as amended by Chantal.](#)
- F. Correspondence: No correspondence of note.
- G. Board Member Reports.
  - 1. President: Bruce Yost
    - a. The next DII meeting is 5/13. The Hollister field complex is working an easement to access the property. The District will request payment. Bruce will arrange for a letter exchange with the District to account for the funds paid by SSJYSL.
    - b. An email came from CYSA to notify teams that they can request access to the Morgan Hill soccer complex for practice and games through the Pleasanton office. Field access will be on a space available basis and the fee must be paid by the team.
    - c. ODP tryouts have begun
    - d. An incident occurred in Milpitas where an opposing team's parent was sitting behind the goal harassing the GU10 goalie (*really folks, gimmee a break – what part of soccer is a game and games should be fun are we trying to beat of our 8 and 9 year old kids?*). Our coach and the referee asked the parent to leave. The situation escalated. It was reported to the North Valley league president who is addressing the situation.
    - e. The league that bounced the check at the Thanksgiving tournament is addressing the situation with the team. It should be resolved shortly.
  - 2. Vice President: Don Crawford

- a. The trailer is still at the lodge and will be removed shortly.
3. Treasurer: Chantal Moser
    - a. There was a situation during a recent referee class with a bounced check. There have been attempts to contact the referee in question and Christine will not allow him to referee until he pays the check. Chantal requested the checks be given to her in advance of the referee classes so if there are any situations of bounced checks can be resolved before the class.
    - b. Chantal will be on vacation for six weeks June 24-August 5. Requests for checks should be made in advance.
4. Secretary: Laura Lewis
    - a. nothing to report.
5. Registrar: Rosemary Alvarez:
    - a. Fall registration is starting to come in. The deadline is June 15 for recreation teams.
    - b. Comp team registration for Fall is due May 15. Don't be late!
    - c. Be sure that the volunteer fee of \$40/family is included with the registration (as a separate check) and that Rosemary receives both copies of the registration form.
    - d. As a reminder, all forms have been updated – registration, coaches, transfer, add/drop forms have all changed – and can be picked up from Rosemary's house.
    - e. Rosemary requested the ability to purchase a copier for her registration work. [A motion was passed to allow Rosemary to purchase a printer/copier for a cost not to exceed \\$200.](#)
6. Referee Director: David Serrano
    - a. The schedule for the next referee classes being planned is as follows: August 11, 12, 13 and 18, 19, 21. A refresher class will be held the first part of September. A field day will also be held.
    - b. The fields are very dry and hard and it is causing players to slip and injure themselves. It sometimes appears that there was a foul, and parents get upset if the referees don't call it.
7. Fields Director: Alan Chase
    - a. Sand bags were delivered for the goals at Gunderson and Santa Teresa (the bags at Gunderson appear to be lost).
    - b. There was a discussion about cutting slots in the equipment bins for referees to drop game cards into. There are concerns that there could be vandalism. The issue is that some center referees are turning cards in late and the ARs (who have no control of the game cards) are not getting paid in time.

- c. David will follow up with the center referees to remind them to send the cards promptly and to also have the ARs remind the center referee to do so.
  - d. Bernal seeding and fertilizing was completed on April 14. There was no seed left for Herman.
  - e. The fields have not been adequately watered at Bernal, Herman and Oakridge despite what the OGSD grounds keeper promised. Alan will follow up with the District.
  - f. Bruce let Alan know we need corner flags for the Santa Teresa turf.
  - g. Rosemary asked when the wheels will be put onto the goals at Bernal. Mike reported that he has looked into it, but the wheels are goal specific. It was noted we may need to find another location for the goals for the upper field if wheels are put on them as it may not be possible to negotiate them around the baseball field.
8. Assistant Fields Director: Rick Simons:
- a. No report.
9. Assistant Fields Director: John Cleveland
- a. The Gunderson fields had to be closed on May 12 because of the Special Olympics games. All games got rescheduled.
10. Competitive Teams and Coaching Director: Anh Nguyen
- a. Omar Alvarado was recommended by Anh as a new coach for a BU15 Class 1 team. The new team will be a combination of two existing teams – one from SSJYSL and one from Mt. Hamilton. [A motion was passed to approve Omar as a new coach.](#)
  - b. Three coaches classes have been scheduled. The ED class will be held over two weekends, July 25-27 and August 2-3 ED. The E class will be held August 15-17, and the F Class will be held July 18-19 F license. Ahn needs classroom space for the first Friday night of each class and asked if Alan could help locate it at one of the schools we use.
  - c. There are several coaches that need to take classes to get their required coaches licenses prior to Fall. It was noted they may need to take the classes in another location to get their licenses in time for Fall registration. A current list of coaches' classes schedule around the district can be found at:  
[http://www.cysanorth.org/Coaching/coaching\\_courses.htm](http://www.cysanorth.org/Coaching/coaching_courses.htm)
11. Tournaments Coordinator: Paul Nishimatsu
- a. We have received 12 applications for the Tom Radissic tournament. It is in the tournament calendar under the 2007/2008 schedule. (NOTE: eligible SSJYSL competitive teams should plan to support the league's tournaments.)
  - b. Sponsorship opportunities will be available in the program book.
  - c. We need to determine if we want to use the turf.

- c. We need to start mobilizing the tournament planning team.
  - d. There was some discussion about adding boys to the Thanksgiving tournament.
12. Communication, Activity & Promotions Director: Karen Nolan
- a. Marketing materials have been distributed. Some banners have been posted. Some flyers have been posted.
  - b. A mailer will be sent to the private schools in the area.
  - c. Rick recommended a soccer “juggler” to be part of the opening day entertainment. The juggler would agree to come to the day for a fee of \$200. Rick will pass along the information to Karen.
  - d. Karen is trying to schedule a league night at an Earthquakes game in August.
13. U8 Director: Ghassan Khadder
- a. Not present
14. Equipment Director: Mike Karr
- a. Mike will look to identify a replacement uniform for the Onore kit when it goes out of production. (**NOTE:** The Onore kit will be available from Adidas through the Fall of 2009 – planned “retirement” of the style is in November of that year. Teams will be able to order the Onore kit for the Fall 2008 and Spring and Fall 2009 seasons. Teams planning to order large quantities for the Fall 2009 season should contact one of the league vendors by the Summer of 2009 to assure adequate quantities are available.)
15. Recreational Director: Claudio Fleiner
- a. A few leagues have emailed Claudio suggesting a U19 recreation league for next Fall. It would be a play-through league for non-comp high school student age students. It was noted this probably won't work for our league, since we generally don't get enough registered players for rec at that age.
  - b. Claudio suggested that only one person do weekend game scheduling for all fields during the playing season. Starting in the Fall, Claudio will do the game scheduling for the weekends. The Field Coordinators will handle weekday scheduling.
  - c. Rick noted that several of the other leagues that play with us during the Spring rec season do not have players passes. He wants to assure that next year all teams we play with have player passes. Bruce will bring this up at the District meeting. Rosemary noted that any team that plays outside of their league is supposed to have player passes.
16. Abrozino Rep: Anh Nguyen.
- a. When the Abrozino league started it only had about 10 teams, but it has grown substantially over the years. This has caused some “dilution” of the

skill level in the league. Abrozino is looking at ways to increase the playing level of the league. If coaches have any strong feelings on how this should be done, let Anh know. Some suggestions and concerns were discussed.

- b. The Abrozino team applications are due July 6.
  - c. There is talk that De Anza Force club is moving from CYSA to NorCal in the Fall.
17. Delgado Rep: Don Crawford
- a. It was reported during the district Delgado meeting that some teams are playing Delgado and Norcal in Spring. There have been issues with the teams trying to reschedule Delgado games to accommodate their NorCal schedule. In the Fall it will be an automatic forfeit of the CYSA game if it is rescheduled for NorCal purposes.
  - b. Guidelines for the Delgado rankings have been approved. There will be 6 teams in the A division that will feed into Abrozino. The B division will be the largest, and the C division will be the lowest performing teams. There will be age-group coordinator.
  - c. Delgado registration for coaches will open June 23 and will close July 15.
18. Youth Representative: Jessica Chase
- a. Not present, no report.
- H. Unfinished Business:
- a. none
- H. Committee Reports
- 1. Marketing committee – topics were addressed during Karen Nolan’s report.
  - 2. Club Committee
    - a. A meeting will be scheduled soon.
- I. New Business.
- a. A motion was passed to allocate an additional \$700 to the goals budget to make the total amount \$1000 in order to purchase wheels for the goals.
  - b. The old goals that were at Herman were sold to Steve Lum for a youth program for \$50.00. The cash was given to Chantal.
  - c. Mike will take the pass-back items that are in the storage shed to a local player that is preparing a shipment to Africa.
- J. Schedule of next meeting:
- 1. The next board meeting will be held at 7:00 pm, Monday, June 9, 2008, at the Los Paseos Club House, 7047 Via Ramada, San Jose, CA 95139

K. Good of the game

1. John Cleveland's GU19 SSJ Ruckus advanced to the semi-finals of the state-cup and the BU17 SSJ Ruckus advanced to quarter finals.
2. BU17 SSJ Inter made it to the round of 16 in State Cup.

L. Adjournment

1. [A motion to adjourn was passed at 9:35 pm](#)

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Lewis  
Secretary  
South San Jose Youth Soccer League