

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

April 13, 2009

Meeting Type: Regular Monthly Board Meeting

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

Board Member Roll Call

Bruce Yost	President	Present
Don Crawford	Vice President	Not 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 Director	Not Present
Claudio Fleiner	Recreation Director	Present
Ghassan Khadder	U8 Director	Not Present
Paul Nishimatsu	Tournaments Coordinator	Present
Jeff Semone	Equipment Director	Present
Karen Nolan	Communication, Activity and Promotions Director	Present
Anh Nguyen	Abrozino Rep	Not Present
Don Crawford	Delgado Rep	Not Present
Vacant	Youth Representative	
Vacant	Coaching Director	

Guests Present

Alex Saunders U16 coach, Steve Lum Coach.

- A. Bruce Yost called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.
- B. Role call was taken and a quorum was verified.
- C. Guest Business:

Alex Saunders, a current coach in the league, and of US Soccer Coaching came to talk about what he does to do for younger kids ages 3-5, and came to see if there was anything in which the league would be interested. One example is a 4 v 4 small sided game with

no goalies. Ages 3-4 are mixed ages, older try to be age pure. Have parent “coaches” and there’s a lot of coaching of coaches done to help the parents know what to work on with the kids. He’s doing it with the Breaker club for \$125 for 8-week program with uniform and ball – 1 practice and 1 game per week. It costs \$1300/week for coach working 30 hours/week for 8-week commitment. The board asked several questions and noted this is a market that we should start considering more, and that other leagues have similar “micro-soccer” programs.

D. Agenda Approval. [A motion passed to approve the agenda.](#)

E. Minutes Approval. [Minutes for April will be reviewed at the May meeting.](#)

F. Correspondence: No correspondence of note.

G. Board Member Reports.

1. President: Bruce Yost.
 - a. Anthony Perry, our contact with the Earthquakes, introduced Bruce to a program they have to link the league with the team. Costs \$6200 for participation. Bruce distributed information.
 - b. There was an incident that caused a coach to get ejected from a game due to the conduct of the parents. The coach got a three game suspension. A notice will be sent to all coaches to notify them that they are responsible for the conduct of their parents, and the consequences could be ejection.
 - c. Bruce met with Ash Kalrya a couple of weeks ago to introduce him to the league. He was aware of the issues associated with field access for the league. He will talk to Nancy Pyle about potential partnership for putting in turf at Steinbeck. Bruce also suggested they look at Martin Murphy for installing turf. Ash also talked about the grass fields that were put in on Cottle in the old IBM complex. The field is scheduled through the city, and it is lighted.
2. Vice President: Don Crawford
 - a. Not present, no report.
3. Treasurer: Chantal Moser
 - a. Wanted to know if Don had reviewed the financial statements and if there were any comments.
4. Secretary: Laura Lewis
 - a. No report.
5. Registrar: Rosemary Alvarez:
 - a. Nothing to report.
 - b. Rick asked about player “scholarships” for players. Rosemary usually asks players to pay about half the fee and the volunteer fee. Last year

there were about 11 players that requested support. We need to clarify the process for how players can get access.

- c. Rosemary said coaches could now register to coach online and it would be sent directly to the District for processing.
6. Referee Director: David Serrano
 - a. Had referee refresher class with about 40 people.
 - b. Sideline behavior of parents is sometimes inappropriate. The board agreed that coaches will be cautioned if the parents behave badly – they could be sent off. Coaches are responsible for the behavior of their team, assistant coaches and parents.
 - c. Rosemary brought up that the referees need to check player and coaches' passes as part of check in.
 - d. Rick brought up the fact that at the refresher class the referees were instructed to allow players to play advantage. Parents and coaches need to understand that.
 7. Fields Director: Alan Chase
 - a. The Oak Grove School District will not allow South San Jose Youth Soccer league to mow the soccer fields anymore. Baseball and softball leagues are also not allowed to mow.
 - b. The league has completed insurance on file that was submitted prior to opening day, but the district can't seem to find it. It covers the entire district. We will resubmit.
 - c. We need corner flags, sand bags and a storage box for Santa Teresa.
 8. Assistant Fields Director: Rick Simons:
 - a. Porta-potties at Oak Grove were secured.
 9. Assistant Fields Director: John Cleveland
 - a. no report
 10. Competitive Teams Director: Anh Nguyen
 - a. no report.
 11. Tournaments Coordinator: Paul Nishimatsu
 - a. Paul will be changing our website for tournaments to include local hotels for tournament participants. There's a tournament director's meeting in May.
 - b. According to Rosemary the CYSA tournament website will be changed.
 - c. We should send an email to our coaches to apply for our tournament.
 - d. Rick asked why we only had two-year age brackets for our tournament instead of one-year brackets.

12. Communication, Activity & Promotions Director: Karen Nolan
 - a. Will work on getting registration materials out. Will pull together a special flyer to go to schools.
13. U8 Director: Ghassan Khadder
 - a. Not present, no report.
14. Equipment Director: Jeff Semone
 - a. Waiting to set up a date with Dayak's Soccer Den to discuss uniform deals.
 - b. Soccer Stars is also interested in working with the league.
 - c. Jeff asked about old goals.
15. Recreational Director: Claudio Fleiner
 - a. Rec season has started. There is one coach that parents are not happy with. Claudio will follow up with the coach. There are other parents on the team that will step up to help. The board backed Claudio's authority to resolve the situation and locate another coach if/as necessary.
 - b. There was an issue with parent conduct during a game, the referee had to talk to the coach.
 - c. We do not have enough fields to play in the Fall. We need at least one or two more fields on Saturdays. We need to get Martin Murphy.
16. Abrozino Rep: Anh Nguyen.
 - a. Not present no report
17. Delgado Rep: Don Crawford
 - a. No meetings been held.
18. Youth Representative: Vacant
 - a. Not report.

New business.

The board discussed the information that Alex Saunders shared. There is interest, just no one with time to pursue.

Referees need to have other color shirts besides gold because some teams now play with gold uniforms.

Rosemary asked if we wanted to consider giving coaches a discount on their players registration. The league liked the thought, but weren't sure how to implement fairly. Coaches already get the \$40 volunteer fee refunded.

Old Business

The Soccer Camp contract is ready to be signed. Bruce will review.

H. Committee Reports – no meetings held

1. Marketing committee – nothing to report.

J. Schedule of next meeting:

1. The next meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m., Monday May 11, 2009, at the Los Paseos Club House, 7047 Via Ramada, San Jose, CA 95139.

K. Good of the game

- a. no report

L. Adjournment

1. [A motion to adjourn was passed at 9:50 pm](#)

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Lewis

Secretary

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