

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

**September 14, 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	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
vacant	Assistant Fields Director	
Anh Nguyen	Competitive Teams Director	Not Present
Claudio Fleiner	Recreation Director	Present
Ghassan Khadder	U8 Director	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	Present
Vacant	Youth Representative	
Vacant	Coaching Director	

**Guests Present**

Steve Lum, BU12 Club America  
Tariq Wahad, BU12 Club America  
Francisco Lopez, BU12 SSJ Indios  
Rigoberto Range, BU12 Fuerza Infantil

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

Steve Lum, Tariq Wahad, Francisco Lopez and Rigoberto Range are all coaches that play SSJYSL and Norcal. They want permission to play on SSJYSL fields.

The board discussed options. Karen Nolan suggested the league create a Memorandum of Understanding with SSJ Club America outlining the terms of the collaboration. The club will provide copies of their insurance to the District. The league will let the school district know that we have agreed to work together. It was noted that if rain causes games to be rescheduled, CYSA games have priority.

Other teams from other clubs will follow the same process.

- D. Agenda Approval. [A motion passed to approve the agenda.](#)
- E. Minutes Approval. [A motion was passed to approve the minutes for July.](#) Approval of the minutes for August were postponed to the next meeting.
- F. Correspondence: No correspondence of note.
- G. Board Member Reports.
  - 1. President: Bruce Yost. Bruce did not attend the District II meeting, Don Crawford attended for him and reported.
    - a. At the District II meeting a motion was approved to move funds to the foundation fund to pay off the 2011 note of \$200K.
    - b. A discussion was held about practicing and playing in other leagues boundaries. Need permission from other league if do it.
    - c. Bob Joyce is now the field foundation president.
    - d. Deadline for State Cup and Association Cup is October 15. Applications will be accepted until November 1, but there will be a \$50 late fee.
    - e. Guest players were discussed. The District drafted a policy about it. Kids can play equal or up, but not down a bracket in Abrozino or Delgado. Coaches can request the Golden Rod if they aren't sure about a player's status on an opposing team.
    - f. Mark Cannel will be updating the District II website.
    - g. There is \$10K to allocate for scholarships from District II.
    - h. At the AGM there will be a motion for transfers to teams to have a reduced wait period from the District from 7 days to two days. However, the league can impose additional wait periods.
  - 2. The AGM will be held March 26-28 with the Soccer Expo in Santa Clara. Will also hold the tournament director's meeting at that time.
- 2. Vice President: Don Crawford
  - a. nothing to report

3. Treasurer: Chantal Moser
  - a. We helped 35 players with financial aid – 12 rec and 23 competitive players. The players pay half of the registration. We submitted a request to District II to cover the \$2640 cost.

A motion was passed to eliminate the amount of the reimbursement paid to competitive team for uniforms for those players receiving financial aid from the league starting in 2010.

- b. Chantal paid the field fees for the RAMAC and La Colina park.
  - c. We received the refund for the field payment for the Radissic tournament that got cancelled.
4. Secretary: Laura Lewis
  - a. No report.
5. Registrar: Rosemary Alvarez:
  - a. Registration is closed and all passes have been distributed.
  - b. We have about 1025 players. Ghassan noted we have a large number of U6 players.

6. Referee Director: David Serrano
  - a. On the Delgado website when you post a score you have to rate the referee. You can't enter a score without rating the referee.  
  
Don will ask Nick why will fill it out and who uses the information.
  - b. We had about 35 attendees at the refresher class and 29 in the referee class.
  - c. There are several rule changes. David will get them posted on the website.
  - d. David reported that some of the scores were posted as blow-outs. Don confirmed that point spreads.
  - e. David asked about the Thanksgiving tournament. It is getting hard to find some seasoned referees.
  - f. David reported that Toby played this past weekend not in league colors. Bruce will send an email to Toby letting him know this is not acceptable.

Toby will get a warning from the league that if he plays again in non-league, suspend one game for second offense, third offense PAD.

- g. David asked if we would be hosting any District Cup games. It is unknown at this time. Rick offered to host the BU11 boys games.
7. Fields Director: Alan Chase
- a. We are ready to go for the Fall. Permits are completed. He was informed that costs will be raised in South San Jose in the new year for field rental.
  - b. Rosemary heard that the district can have two community service days. Alan will check with Bruce Murphy about how to host one.
  - c. The fields within Oak Grove School District haven't been mowed and the grass is long. Fields are in very bad condition, particularly at Bernal.
  - d. Claudio reported that there are issues with RAMAC field. It is not striped, it is not certain who brings nets and corner flags. We need a field coordinator for the field.
  - e. We need a field coordinator for La Colina if we are going to use it. If we are, we need goals, nets, corner flags.
- Alan will send an email to the coaches to get field coordinators.
8. Assistant Fields Director: Rick Simons:
- a. Bernal cargo container is set up. Looks good. Most of the equipment is there. Bernal fields have been aerated and seeded and they are watering. They were in bad shape. The grass is very long and needs to be mowed.
  - b. The porta-pottie is in place. Baseball is using it – we would like them to assist us in paying for it.
  - c. Paul reported that the mower in the Bernal container is back from the shop, but it has a problem with the hydraulics.
9. Assistant Fields Director: Vacant.
10. Competitive Teams Director: Anh Nguyen
- a. Not present. At an Abrozino meeting.
11. Tournaments Coordinator: Paul Nishimatsu
- a. We are still getting applications in for Thanksgiving. We have 11 teams currently. The deadline is October 4. Other leagues have been having a lot of teams show up after the deadline.
  - b. Rick mentioned that our SSJYSL teams should apply for the tournament.
  - c. Claudio said that we need to send emails to all the coaches in other leagues. Rosemary confirmed that at the tournament meeting the past weekend it was noted that leagues have to go recruit teams, not expect them to come to them. Paul has been emailing with the tournament directors.

- d. Rick discussed some options for tournament recognition, like pins, medals, t-shirts, etc.
  - e. At the next board meeting the league will have to decide if we should continue with the tournament, based on team numbers.
12. Communication, Activity & Promotions Director: Karen Nolan
- a. Opening day Sept. 13 at Oakridge went very well. There was a small glitch with the jumper and Karen will try to get some reimbursement.
  - b. The net cost to the league for the day was about \$600.
  - c. Karen asked if Alan could get the Elks lodge for the coaches' dinner on November 11.
13. U8 Director: Ghassan Khadder
- a. Off to a good start with the U6-U8 league.
  - b. There was a coaches' clinic with 17 teams. Alex Saunders from US Soccer gave the clinic. Representatives from Elite Soccer did not show up.
- There was discussion about the lack of action from Elite Soccer with regards to working to develop players.
- There was discussion about keeping rec teams together and whether it good for the development of the player and the league.
- c. There was an increase in U6 players.
14. Equipment Director: Jeff Semone
- a. Raised the issue of the cost per player. A discussion was held regarding whether or not registration fees are sufficient to cover the costs, when one considers the league is buying uniforms, some equipment, coaches' shirts, insurance, paying referees and field fees (as appropriate).
  - b. The extra jerseys from past seasons will be given to the Pass Back program.
15. Recreational Director: Claudio Fleiner
- a. The rec season has started. The play through league is working fairly well.
  - b. Opening day was a big success.
  - c. The tournament date for U10 has been scheduled for November 7. The U12 teams will be November 15.
  - d. Need to start thinking about Spring – particularly costs and how we organize the teams.
  - e. There was some discussion about having comp coaches come to the rec jamborees to preview players.
  - f. We need to identify comp coaches

16. Abrozino Rep: Anh Nguyen.
  - a. Not present, at Abrozino meeting.
17. Delgado Rep: Don Crawford
  - a. There was a mandatory meeting for coaches. Delgado is now saying you can't reschedule games.
  - b. Don sent an email to the Delgado coaches about the red card process. Nick will keep them until the game suspension is served, and then the coaches must pick up the cards.
18. Youth Representative: Vacant
  - a. No report.

New business. None.

H. Committee Reports – none.

J. Schedule of next meeting:

1. The next meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m., Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> at the Los Poseos Club House.

K. Good of the game

- a. Sky Hawks took 4<sup>th</sup> place in the Soccer by the Bay Tournament.
- b. The Lions took 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Silicon Valley Cup and
- c. The Rush took 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Landpark tournament.

L. Adjournment

1. [A motion to adjourn was passed at 10:15 pm](#)

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Lewis  
Secretary  
South San Jose Youth Soccer League