

# Sacramento Youth Soccer League

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## SYSL BOARD OF MANAGERS' MEETING

Tuesday, August 10, 2004

### CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 7:47pm

### ROLL CALL:

All clubs in attendance.

Guests: Mike Pulley, Sacramento Business Journal journalist, doing story on youth soccer and volleyball, additional River park board members, and from Tahoe Park: Coach Ponce Rodriguez and players, Noodles, Christina and Sonya, along with mom, Kate Santian.

Tahoe Park – Ponce Rodriguez, coaching U19 team, couldn't field a U16 team so he stepped up to U19. Coach Rodriguez has a 13-year-old player, Christina, who wants to play up two age divisions so that she can play with her sisters. Her mom, Kate Santian, points out that Christina is taller than her older sister, is an aggressive player, played for Coach Rodriguez last year, and has been playing indoor soccer in the off-season. Kate has three daughters and cannot cover three games each weekend, so this move would make it easier for her. Christina's high school does not offer soccer program, and she wants her daughter to have the opportunity to play. Coach Rodriguez has 16 players on team now and this has room for Christina. This is her third year playing, and Mom says Christina's father is OK with this and wants to move her up as well.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Dixon manager, Robert Sperry, motioned to accept the minutes with the following revisions.

1. Affiliated by CYSAN
2. Fernando Loza under visitors

Woodland manager, John Gerald, seconded.

### FIRST VICE REPORT:

Hope Anaya reported – the board usually approves the PAD policy but Sara only changed the contact name and corrected a few sentences. See handout.

In the sendoff report she changed the year. In the second paragraph, the address was changed.

In the third paragraph, Sara's name was inserted and a minor modification was made to paragraph 13. See handout.

Jimmy – where do we get the forms for referee to sign off on. They are given to coach at time of the PAD meeting.

Tami Cholger motioned to approve the forms as prepared. River Park manager, Alan Whisenand, seconded.

Greenhaven manager, Ross Meier, points out that item 9 is inconsistent with the constitution and bylaw 2.01.05, which talks about the Executive Board turning over decision. Duty should be the Board of Managers. Wants to change 9 to reflect Board of Managers not the Executive Board. Michele Steiner points out it is listed that way so that it can be appealed to the Board of Managers after appealing to the Executive Board.  
Vote: 20 for, 1 against - MOTION CARRIES

### **HEAD COACH REPORT:**

Steve Martinez reported that 29 coaches took the F clinic in Dixon, and thanked Robert Sperry for setting it up.

Goalkeepers Clinic coming up this weekend. Can bring up to 2 players for Saturday class and part of Friday night at Sierra 2.

E clinics are still available out of the area – One at Arden Park 8/20-22 hosted by River City, Matt Moorhead is the contact, listed in cysanorth.org website. Make sure your coaches pre-register as they need to know numbers for material count.

### **HEAD REFEREE REPORT:**

Don Spickelmier passed out 3 items – The first is an open letter to coaches, which will go in the coach's packets. Last weekend was the metro tournament held in Greenhaven, etc. Had one coach sent off during seeding tournament. Remind coaches to remind parents as well, there is no tolerance for yelling at officials, etc. Have them remember that the game is for the players. If a coach is sent off at a tournament no one plays the rest of the day.

The second item is the current law book

Last ref clinic is tonight, with exam Thursday night. We held 6 clinics this year, Woodland certified 25 referees, Parkway 9, Valley Hi 8, Greenhaven 14, Dixon 10, and Land Park has 32 in attendance. Remember D licensed coaches have to take referee course as well.

Third item is an information sheet regarding referee pay at comp level. This item is for information purposes only as it is not what is paid at the rec level.

Marlene advised managers to mention this material to their coaches to be sure they review it and the other materials in their coach's packet.

Tahoe Park indicated that it provides information pieces for their coaches all the time.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Hope Anaya had no report as her computer is currently not working.

### **REGISTRAR'S REPORT:**

Mercy Loera reported that we have 7004 players to date. Last year was 7800. Approximately 520 teams. Getting ready for lamination nights. Reminder to bring lots of help to lamination nights. Please contact your registrars to be sure people are lined up to participate.

Ethel Phillips Family Resource Center is the location for all lamination nights except Land Park and Greenhaven.

There is no unregistering metro players.

Credits will be given through 8/31, but none after that time.

Managers and trainers don't get a pass, and forms are not necessary for them.

### **SAC UNITED REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:**

Tami Cholger reports that all teams are registered and playing in tournament.

Cherry Island is the home tournament, and are using Grant and Kennedy as well. Numbers are up from last year, 98 teams coming to play, including Sac United. 69 teams last year. Cherry Island is a big draw.

The Sac United teams are doing well, and has 22 teams (U10-U19)

Don't forget the women's Olympic soccer starts, 8/11 vs. Greece, 8/14 vs. Australia, and 8/17 vs. Brazil.

Woodland manager, John Gerald, stated that the Woodland clinic was awesome and that coach Andres Olmedo was wonderful.

Ross Meier pointed out that coach Andres Olmedo has been nominated for Positive Coaching Alliance's coaching award and motioned that SYSL pay for his entire team to attend the Rivercats game since their coach is being honored. Dave Mendoza seconded.

Discussion: Land Park Manager, Liz Lehrman, brought up that we're setting a new precedent, which we didn't do last year for the winning coach's team. Others pointed out that the girls might not even be around as some of them are in college now, etc.

Vote: 7 for, 4 against, 10 abstentions - MOTION FAILS

Ross withdrew his motion.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Clarksburg will host the next meeting and will contact with location.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Marlene Vega reported on District meeting items: district policy posted on d6soccer.org 166 teams – high percentage of girls, because the boys schedule conflicts with high school play. District cup application deadline is 10/18 to the league president for signature, and then will be sent to the district with one check from the league. Send applications to SYSL President at 1125 Charity Lane, Dixon, CA 95620. Please note that parking at Cherry Island is \$5.00.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Metro:

Hope Anaya reported in Sara Najarro's absence that the metro seeding tournament was 7/31 – 8/1. Most feedback was that the games played long, but that overall the tournament went well. One coach was red carded. Reminder to managers to remind metro coaches of the mandatory meeting on 8/25 at 7pm at Orangevale Community Center on Hazel Avenue. Coaches not able to attend need to contact Sara Najarro with the name of the alternate attending or the packet will not be released.

Woodland manager, John Gerald, is not getting the metro info.

Michele Steiner:

Certificates of Insurance -- Has the envelope for each club with the certificates of insurance for the coming year. Make sure you have certificate for every entity you need covered so we can request them if they are not included.

Permits -- Does not have school permits, as they are not ready yet. Sac City Unified permits will be mailed when received. Park permits were sent months ago. There were a couple of issues re: parks but she has talked to the individual clubs about them.

Mini Metro -- will now be known as Community Playing League ("CPL"). The U16 and U19 counts are very low so both age groups are playing CPL. Numbers went up recently but the ball

is already rolling so the teams are in CPL. Rankings for the older groups are in the envelope with the proposed division. If you have issues with the material – call Michele or Hope.

Fields – Every coach should have a copy of the permit for his respective field. Clubs should copy for their coaches. Dixon, Fruitridge and Parkway clubs please see Michele before leaving.

Numbers - our numbers are down substantially. We used to have 82-85 U8 boys teams, but now have only 61 teams.

Rules - The CYSA team manual contains modified rules of the game. We try to destroy these pages in each book and SYSL does not use modified rules. We use the regular FIFA rules. The number of players is 8 for U10 district wide policy. SYSL standing rules, how long the game is, and the min/max #players, is printed on the back of all schedules and is included in the coach's packet. Each league has their own rules. Red card hearings will be held in SYSL if the infraction occurs here, but will be handled elsewhere if the offense occurs there. This comes into play when CPL teams are playing with other leagues.

#### Seeding:

Hope Anaya will be heading up the committee this year. She has composed a letter to mail, but it never went out. The letter asks that you bring the names of the seeding meeting participants to tonight's meeting.

The Seeding meetings will be held at Johnny's Sidewalk Pizza at 7pm

U8 - Monday 8/23

U10 - Wednesday 8/25

U12 & U14 - Thursday 8/26

Hope needs names and phone numbers of the club reps by 8/19. Reps must have the ranking information for the club's teams and must represent the entire age group, not their team.

#### Pins:

Dixon is responsible for design. Per Robert, Sanders is mailing the designs, which they should have by the end of the month.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Ross Meier reported that the Positive Coaching Alliance ("PCA") workshops are scheduled as follows:

8/17 - West Sac - working on location

8/19 – Dixon – Tremont School

8/24 – Valley Hi – Charles Mack Elementary

9/7 – Greenhaven – Lisbon Elementary

Ross will e-mail the form to the managers once the West Sac location is determined.

The workshops run from 7-9pm each night

8/25 PCA 2004 Youth Soccer night at the Rivercats game

Valley Hi event – held on 8/28-29 at Consumnes River College. Sacramento Knights players will be doing free clinics, etc.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Fruitridge opening day celebration, carnival, raffles, games – handed out flyer

8/28 - 9am - 3pm – Ethel I Baker Elementary

Dixon opening day celebration

8/21 - Northwest Park - 9am-1pm w/Knights exhibition game after 1pm

Hope is putting together coach's packets on Friday and needs volunteers – after 6pm at the Ethel Phillips Family Resource Center.

River Park manager, Alan Whisenand raised a sock issue that has come up in his club. One team has been wearing blue socks and wants to continue – will there be any penalty?

Valley Hi manager, Jimmy Gomez, motioned to let the team play with blue socks but if there is a conflict they must change to their gold socks. Parkway manager, Lupe Zamudio, seconded.

Discussion: Tahoe Park manager, Tony Castro, raised issues about club colors and the fact that we've had too many discussions on this matter.

Land Park manager, Liz Lehrman, suggested that each club suit up for the games, and let the referee make the decision if there is a conflict.

Vote: 7 for, 10 against, 2 abstentions - MOTION FAILS

Team is to wear their designated club sock color only.

### **GOOD OF GAME:**

Michele Steiner - weekend of 8/28-29 was included in the park permits for clubs - is there anyone that wants them for that weekend?

Ross Meier motioned that SYSL sponsor a dinner party for Janet Sheets and Kathy Ayala at the Pyramid Brewing Co. to cover the Board of Managers and 1 guest each. Alan – RP 2<sup>nd</sup>

Discussion: Mercy Loera – is there flexibility as to location?

Ross – amends motion to be flexible on location.

Pyramid Brewing is located at 11<sup>th</sup> & K Streets, and has nicely accommodated Greenhaven in the past.

Vote: 15 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions - MOTION CARRIES

Ross to handle details and advise.

Archie Munoz, Dixon U10 girls coach going metro, is receiving the PCA 2004 double gold coach award.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Fruitridge manager motioned to adjourn. Hope seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 9:54pm.

### **NEXT MEETING:**

Host: Clarksburg

at the **Clarksburg Community Church - 52910 Netherlands Avenue**

Directions: From I-5, exit Pocket Road east to Freeport Blvd.

Turn south on Freeport Blvd, through the town of Freeport and cross the bridge to River Road.

Turn left on River Road and follow to the Clarksburg Town Sign.

Turn right onto Netherlands Road.