

CYSA DISTRICT III

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MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT III BOARD MEETING

Monday, September 13, 2004

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by DC Lou Gagne, at 7:05 PM at the CYSA Office, Pleasanton, CA

ROLL CALL (P=Present, A=Absent, E=Excused, L=Late)

Board Members

P District Commissioner – Lou Gagne
P Livermore YSL Rep – Corey Nelson
P Dublin USL Rep – Diane Scott
P Fremont YSL Rep – Jiri Stepan
P San Ramon SC Rep – Brian Bower
P Newark SC Rep – Grace Silva
P Mustang SL Rep – Bob Oxenburg
P Pleasanton YSL Rep – Donna Cook for Bob Maas

Staff Members

P Secretary – Kathi Killion
P Treasurer- Gary King
P Registrar – Diane Scott
P Recreation Administrator – Corey Nelson
E Rules and Revisions Rep – Sandy McMahon
E Al Caffodio League Manager – Brian Leonard
E GSSL Co-Chairman – Brian Leonard
E Coaching Coordinator – Trevor Rodd
A ODP Administrator – Joe Cambra
E Tournament Coordinator – Megan Radeleff
E State Cup Administrator – John Young
P Association Cup Administrator – Tony Stepper
P Referee Administrator – Steve Petrakovitz
E Youth Referee Administrator – Teesie King
P TOPSoccer Administrator – Sue Gagne
P TOPSoccer Administrator – Donna Cook
P State Premier League Administrator – Izzy Loth
P District III Cup – Sandy Mulford

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved (Scott) and seconded (Silva) that the minutes of August 9, 2004 be approved. The motion carried.

REPORTS

Treasurer – No report

Registrar– Diane Scott reported that everything is current in the registration department. The credentials for all but four of the 60 Division 4 teams in the District III Recreational (Copper Division) were submitted in time for teams to have the member passes for league play.

Recreation – Corey Nelson reported that the U16/U19 league began this weekend. The schedule had to be redone several times due to some last minute changes that involved out-of-district teams. Corey praised Diane Scott for ensuring that all of the passes that were in on time got processed. There were very few issues on opening weekend. A field scheduling conflict was resolved by rescheduling the match

to a later date. Schedules are posted on the District III website. The CYSA recreation committee should be meeting in the near future.

Rules and Revisions – No report was submitted. Sandy McMahon would like to “retire” from this staff position and he has asked Lou to encourage anyone who is interested to apply for the position.

Al Caffodio Committee – No report was submitted.

Golden State Soccer League – Susan Gagne reported for Brian Leonard that GSSL got off to a rocky start. Apparently some referees failed to show up for their assigned matches. There were multiple red cards.

Coaching – A written report was submitted (attached). Lou asked that coach of the year nominations be submitted to Trevor Rodd ASAP.

ODP – Lou Gagne reported that he received reports that the first ODP play days in Morgan Hill went well.

Tournaments – Kathi Killion reported that the tournament committee met over the weekend. They will be working on electronic option for the tournament application process. Application to host packets will be sent as soon as the Board approves tournament weekends for 2005-2006.

State Cup – Kathi Killion reported for John Young that there is a vacancy for State Cup Committee Chairman as David Jack has resigned.

Association Cup – Tony Stepper asked if any leagues would be able to provide a minimum of 4 fields for the U16/U19 Association Cup in March 2005. Leagues should contact Tony with prospective sites.

Tide Cup – Corey Nelson reported that a committee meeting scheduled for September 12th had been cancelled. Corey has sent a request for fields for Tide Cup to each of the leagues.

Referees – Gary King reported for Teesie that the youth referee kick off BBQ went well. Things have slowed down for youth referees as many of them are currently in their playing season. There are two young men in the district who are in consideration for Youth Referee of the Year. Steve Petrokovitz reported that there has been an increase in the number of referees registered. The increase does not necessarily translate to more games being covered. Any referee problems should be reported to Steve so that he can address the problem. He will make an effort to resolve the issue, even if it requires personal contact. Steve requested a common system of handling game cards, as it seems that each different playing league has a unique system. Gary King reported that there is a discrepancy in how the grade 9-referee program is implemented. While USSF allows a grade 9 referee to serve as the official on any U14 or lower age group game, CNRA adopted a policy with the modification that grade 9 referees will be assigned to U14 or younger division 4 matches only. Gary indicated the necessity for the district to approve a policy that could help alleviate shortages if we could consider using grade 9 officials in the capacity of assistant referees in some Division 3 matches.

It was moved (Oxenburgh) and seconded (Bower) that grade 9 referees be permitted to serve as assistant referees in Division 3 games in the U12 and younger age groups. The motion carried.

TOPSoccer – Sue Gagne and Donna Cook brought photos of opening weekend for the BUSC TOPSoccer program. There are now 9 players registered and on the team. Heather Rezowalli is the Division 5 coordinator for Mustang Soccer League. The older players who contact BUSC will be referred to Mustang until BUSC has enough older players to build a team internally. Donna hopes that a playdate between MSL and BUSC teams will be arranged before the end of the season. Lou announced that Donna will be attending the Region IV Workshop on October 15.

State Premier League – Izzy Loth reported that there are two District III teams, one from BUSC and one from San Ramon, entered in the State Premier League. The committee is considering recommending the expansion of SPL by including more age groups next year. Izzy's opinion is that SPL should be for U19 teams with the games played in a tournament or playdate format rather than in a league format.

Fields Development – The balance of the Woody Neithammer Memorial fund, which may be used for field development, is now in excess of \$7,000.

District III Cup – Sandy Mulford reported that she has solicited opinions from various leagues and so far there have been conflicting opinions about how District III Cup should be run. She would like to feedback as to whether the event should be an open cup. Mustang and Sandy would like to seed the teams so that the top seeded teams would meet one another in the championship round. Sandy will email her proposal to the district board and a decision will be made.

District Commissioner – Lou Gagne reported that he had attended the CYSA board meeting. The Rec Plus teams were determined to not meet the definition of a Division 4 team, and as such, Rec Plus type teams are not eligible to compete in Cup competitions or tournaments for Division 4 teams. Lou instructed the league presidents from SRSC and MSL to inform their teams to withdraw from any Division 4 tournaments or Cup. Lou sought input from the leagues regarding opening up all weekends in July for tournaments. He wanted to know how this might impact the registrars in regard to processing credentials for earlier than normal tournaments. He announced that the 2nd vice chairman has submitted his resignation effective the end of the year. The Board of directors would also appreciate feedback from leagues as to what their experiences have been in the way of background checks. If they are doing them, who gathers and retains the information? What is the security for the retention of this information? He also distributed a proposal for the idea of implementing a mandatory adult to child ratio for teams when traveling. Lou would like the league presidents to review the proposal and give their feedback. He also reported that CYSA would form a committee to review all existing CYSA forms. The committee's task will be to determine the necessity for each of the forms and whether the form should be retained as is, revised, consolidated with other forms, or eliminated altogether. The committee should be comprised of volunteers who are not currently serving as state or district staff members. If anyone knows of a volunteer who would be interested in serving on this committee, please forward recommendations to Lou by October 1st.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nominations for District Commissioner will be accepted at the October 11th district meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None

GOOD OF THE GAME

Lou suggested that some of the surplus revenue from the AC League fees be allocated to some of the other programs in D3 such as the Youth Referee program and TOPSoccer.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathi Killion, District III Secretary

<u>NEXT SCHEDULED DISTRICT III BOARD MEETING</u>

7:30 PM, Monday, October 11, 2004

CYSA Conference Room
