

<b><i>Sacramento Youth Soccer League</i></b>	
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P.O. Box 22185 Sacramento, California 95822	

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

All clubs represented.

**VISITORS:**

Michael Gerald - Michael came to speak about children with special needs regarding what the league can do with respect to accomodating a fun hour or team play for children with disabilities. Michael is a third year major in Psychology and Sociology looking to work with children with disabilities. There is a VIP program for children with Autism and Cerebral Palsy. AYSO is trying to reach out to communities to assist in starting programs for their students. YMCA allows special needs however, they are judged case-by-case. There needs to be something a little more accessible for these families. Fun hour for kids on some of the fields possibly. Bruce mentioned that volunteers can be provided from the clubs, but someone needs to spearhead this. One idea is that U8-U10 fields could be opened from noon to 3 p.m.

There are not enough special needs players within each club to field a team per club. TOP SOCCER is in place at this time, which provides this same type of programming for the families.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion to approve the minutes made by Bruce seconded by Carlos.

Motion passed unanimously

**FIRST VICE REPORT:**

Sarah Najarro provided copies of the PAD Standing Rules. There are a couple of changes. Second page number 8 "...will make their final decision...that night." previously read that the "...coach would be called." Second change is in number 9. The fee used to be \$50 for the appeal, it has been raised to \$100.

Motion to approve by Bruce second by Mario. What is the fee used for? This fee is used as a detourant from protests.

Motion passed unanimously.

One abstention.

### **HEAD COACH REPORT:**

Steve Martinez, thanked all managers who hosted the clinics. Last F clinic was held in Dixon and there were 30 coaches enrolled. The last clinic is the Goalkeepers Clinic on the 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>. Please have all coaches read their handbooks. Land Park would like to host another F Clinic in October. John Gerald asked whether or not a coach could take the F clinic in October and then take the E clinic next Spring. Steve Martinez responded that they could do this. They must have their F license completed by November. Land Park will send out an email to the club managers to get a head count. There is still room in the Goalkeepers clinic. Register fast.

### **HEAD REFEREE REPORT:**

Don Specklemeir reported that a referee clinic is currently being held by Land Park. There are 33 registrants and the majority of them are youth. Next year there will be a line on the form that will ask the age of the applicant if under the age of 18. The goal is to eliminate children under the age of 15 as referees. Please encourage more adults within your clubs to register.

There is one more clinic to be held in Dixon next Monday August, 14, 16, 21 and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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

Hope Anaya provided a copy of the Treasurer's report and noted that June's spreadsheet has been revised.

### **METRO REPORT:**

Sarah Najarro provided copies of the final Metro seeding lists. There were no calls from anyone that they did not like where they were seeded. Changes cannot be made until the fifth game of the season. REMINDER: Any coach listed on the roster, must be certified or the team will not be allowed to play as a Metro team. When the applications are due next year, if everything is not completed the application will not be taken. Three clubs overpaid for the Metro teams. Please see Hope for a refund. Mandatory coaches Tuesday August 22 U-10 & U12, and August 23 for U-14, 16, 19 at the Orangevale Community Center at 7 p.m. Arrive early to ensure you find a place.

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

Jennifer Neuner reported that we are currently over 7100 players. Lamination has begun for the player passes. All Metro teams have been registered and everything is complete. All players on a Metro teams cannot be removed from teams as the process is complete. Managers, please check with your registrars to see if they need assistance with lamination. All packets that are missing coaches and player photos, team names, etc. will be held by the League Registrar and WILL NOT be laminated. There is an eight day waiting period for a Metro player to receive

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

Nothing to report. Next Months meeting hosted by Valley Hi September 12<sup>th</sup> and October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting will be hosted by West Sacramento.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Nothing to report.

Needs for seeding reps. August 14 (U-8), 15 (U-10) and 16 (U-12 & 14) all meetings are held at Johnnie's Sidewalk Pizza in West Sacramento and will begin at 7 p.m. Please email Marlene the name and age group that they will represent at the seeding meetings. Provide several volunteers per club.

Coaches packets and schedules will be available August 30<sup>th</sup>. Games begin September 9<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Michelle provided an envelope for each club included permits for school use and insurance certificates. If you are not going to use the permits on certain days that fields have been reserved, especially in parks, please let Michelle know so she can adjust accordingly. If we are not utilizing the parks and something happens to the field then the permits could be pulled and SYSL or the club could be held liable for damage. Please follow the instruction on the permits and make sure that your parents, coaches and visitors are in compliance with the rules specified.

Community Playing League (CPL) U-16 & U-19 have implemented a new rule that "no parent may act as a coach that does not have a pass in the absence of the coach."

Seeding forms that have been received are in good shape at this point. There are a couple of clubs that may need to combine a few teams.

Players playing down can happen with approval of the full board and special handling in the computers. There must be a legitimate reason for the request. Please contact Marlene if this is a request that your club wishes to make.

Reminder: Your teams that play at home Red Cards come to Sarah. Outside of this area red cards are handled by the other league.

Who do they email standings to? That information will be provided by the next meeting. In addition, who receives CPL game cards?

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Sarah Najarro reported that the pins have been ordered and they will be delivered to Michelle's home.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Gabe from South Florin wants to register a child who's birthdate is August 4<sup>th</sup>, three days after the deadline can an exception be made? No. The managers voted on this and the age limit is strictly enforced.

Gabe also presented, Faviola Paz, who has been playing with the same team for eight years, she will be 14 this year and would like to move up with them to U-19. This is a safety issue.

Discussion: This board does have authority to override the rule. The request is to remain on the same team. Her parents are supportive of this move.

A rule was placed into the by-laws and we need to stick with it.

Motion made by Gabe to have Faviola Paz play with the the U-19. Mario Ordon seconded the motion.

All in favor: 6

Opposed: 10

Abstention: 4

Motion denied.

**GOOD OF GAME:**

Thank you to Jennifer Neuner and Mercy for their hard work.

Linda with Clarksburg requests that U-14 boys recreational team be allowed to use different uniforms from the rest of the club. The new uniforms would utilize the same colors in a different arrangement.

Motion to use the the new uniforms was made by Linda. There was no second made. The motion failed.

Tammy with Sac United reported that they would hold a tournament out at Cherry Island for U-11 to U-19 boys and girls next weekend. Games begin at 7:30 and end at 6:45 p.m. Schedules can be found at [www.sacunited.com](http://www.sacunited.com).

Jennifer Neuner reported that the Sacramento Knights won the national tournament in Madison Wisconsin. Her son played both games and they took the national title.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn made by John and seconded by Bruce.

Motion passes unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:**

Host Club: Valley Hi

Location: Florin Creek History Center

Directions: Take Hwy 99 to Florin Road East

Turn Right on Fletcher Farms (Past French Road)

History Center is on the Left-hand side past the stop sign.