

River City Youth Soccer League Board Meeting
WEDNESDAY July 19th, 2023 - 7:00 pm
Mountain Mikes, 1319 Fulton Ave. Sacramento

Attendees: Shannon Hall (Registrar), Joe Romo (SISC), Lucio Orellana (APSC), Jason Allen (VP), Derek Warken (RSC), Bill Norris (Scheduler), Gene Totten (President), David McKay (Treasurer), Andrew Slocombe (BAC), Laura Zuckerman (SOSC), Frank Cockrell (DDSC); Jose Moreno (Referee Coordinator – phone)

- A. Call to Order – 7:07p
- B. Guest Speaker – none
- C. President's Report –
 - 1. D6: emphasis on leagues having heat/AQI policies (vs NorCal/CalNorth guidelines); CA defibrillator law (by 2027)
 - 2. Brandon Cavitt: did coaching clinic in 2019, over 3 days, online & in-person component, enthusiastic to do it again, Gene suggested 1st week of August, Brandon to confirm & send info on class specs
- D. Club Manager Hot Topics –
 - 1. APSC: ~200 in Select program, requires one high quality playing field for every 5 teams; club voted to use some fields exclusively for Select (ex: Orville Wright, one Valley Oak field, etc.); probably need additional field space for U8/10
- E. Officer's Reports
 - 1. Vice President/Sportsmanship/PAD – does RCYSL want to live in a world without Match Reports? SYSL doesn't use, on theory that if something happens on the field there is a referee process
 - i. Shannon: is there any data we're taking from Match Reports? Jason: maybe anecdotally?
 - ii. SISC: important to share information about things that occur at games that need addressing, if they don't arise to discipline
 - iii. Bill Norris: I share/delegate reports to affected club managers, helpful to get folks together; need something for serious sportsmanship violations; need place to report field issues; provides a valuable communications path that is separate from Referee Reports (24 Hour Reports)
 - 2. Secretary –
 - i. Approve May & June 2023 RCYSL Board meeting minutes: 1st: Frank, 2nd Andrew Slocombe **APPROVED** (noting no quorum for June)
 - ii. Field updates: need alternative locations for Mariemont & Del Dayo (latter through Aug), possibly Arden (Crabtree, Larkspur, Thomas Edison?): Swanston? Creekside?
 - 3. Treasurer – budget – deferred; working on getting Mike off Bank accounts and D&O
 - 4. Registrar – up from '22, surpassed July '19 even; all clubs are up but SOSC (only -30), SISC, and FEC; APSC growing like crazy
 - i. issues w/ requirements getting done (some process problems between US Soccer Learning and GotSport); '05/'06 need to complete (b/c about to be not minors)
 - ii. CPL 16/19: CalNorth will no longer allow play w/ NorCal/US Club teams, but RCYSL enough teams now probably have enough teams for competition
 - 1. David: should we send message to District 6 that RCYSL may need to go US Club b/c not enough competition left locally? D6 probably gets outvoted at CalNorth meetings on things
 - 2. US Club discussion
 - 5. Referee Coordinator – recruiting going well; 8/19/23, 9a.m. - noon field session at Arden Park, Allen thinks publicly available; Jose suggests RCYSL make a motion to pay the \$300 that APSC paid and close to public until all league recruits have registered, Shannon 1st, Derek 2nd, David: how many recruits have registered and from what clubs (Jose thinks only 3 registered, unsure what club affiliation); Bill Norris: 8/19 is a CPL game day; Allen Hodge: APSC not asking for the \$300; Gene: if APSC doesn't need the money, Jose can ask John Ebersberger to close the course – no vote; another class = \$300 and can be private for a certain amount of time on the US Soccer Learning Center
 - i. CNRA helping rec leagues on recruitment, will inquire about w/ them and D6 about paying for

- another course; Club Managers send Jose bad dates, DDSC: need before 8/19 b/c CPL games
 - ii. Weekly emails during season highlighting rules, tips
- 6. Coaching Coordinator – none
- 7. Scheduling Coordinator – updates to the master contact list; club managers please send AGC candidate names; discussion re: age groups for inter-league play
 - i. Coach Meeting 8/21/23, 6:30p, Cresta; seeding 8/26; reg league games start 9/9, run 5 weeks, one bye week 10/16, run 5 more weeks, end ~11/18; CPL starts 8/19, ends ~11/4; District Cup and SoccerFest likely still beginning of Dec
- 8. Webmaster – none
- F. Old Business –
 - 1. Combined League Play update: Jason and Gene met w/ SYSL, discussed 1) field seating differences – no common ground reached and issue abandoned & 2) including league rep in other league's PAD, well-received, more discussions planned, theme = referees need to be giving cards, filing reports when issues happen
 - i. Bill Norris: suggest include North Highlands in future meetings like this, maybe CCA
 - ii. Jason: please make sure RCYSL coaches know seating policy and relay to opposing teams before game; Gene: suggests a one page "difference"; Bill Norris: covered in seeding package
 - 2. U6 Micro Soccer rule changes, with amendment requiring defending teams to retreat to the half field line for goal kicks **APPROVED** (via email early June)
- G. New Business –
 - 1. RSC Field Painter Proposal (demo 5:30p at Larkspur Wed, July 19, 2023): Tiny Mobile Robot could be a good investment for field painting, ease of use, volunteer time, consistency of field size, efficient w/ amount of paint so may be paint cost savings, no maintenance paintings b/c robot has mapped the field
 - i. RSC has 3 proposals:
 - 1. RCYSL purchases 2 machines (~\$16K/each upfront cost + \$1750 annual software maintenance fee, there is a payment plan available; no cost savings in buying more than one at a time)
 - 2. RCYSL purchases 1 machine to trial, to paint larger fields
 - 3. RSC purchases 1 with RCYSL subsidy, and RSC will line seeding fields, subsidy of \$10K
 - ii. APSC: how long for an 11 v 11 field; less than ½ hour, initial layout longer
 - iii. David: cleaning? some self-cleaning takes about 10 minutes but sprayer heads need to be soaked
 - iv. Gene: what about cost-share on lining company like APSC uses? weekly labor for one 11 v 11 w/ APSC supplying paint = \$45, U8 = \$20, initial lining = ~\$2k/season + ~\$2k for weekly maintaining/season + have to supply materials
 - v. Gene: can RSC talk to APSC re: expanding lining company use to other clubs w/ RCYSL support some cost-sharing for this season's lining company?
 - vi. machine would need to be ordered soon to be here by seeding
 - vii. VP Motion: RCYSL purchase one Tiny Mobile Robot, housed by RSC who agrees to do set up and, lining other clubs' initial fields as requested, SISC 2nd, RSC would supply set up paint and annual maintenance; DDSC: can all clubs reasonably share a robot all season? RSC: no, would be difficult, DDSC: but RSC make robot available to other clubs during season (other clubs supplying paint); VP: seasonal use must be cooperative **ALL APPROVED**, except Sarah who ABSTAINED
 - 2. RCYSL Select '24/'25: deferred for time
- H. Good of the Game – go USWNT
- I. Adjournment – 9:34p