

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE

Board of Directors Meeting for March

Tuesday, March 5, 2002

I. Call to order at 7:35 PM.

Members Present: Kathy Parenti, David Downey, Bret Gillis, Doug Evers, Paul Holocher, Paul Lester
Greg Hill, German Plaza, Mike Corman, Craig Brumbaugh, Todd Tsukushi, Robin Ove,
Debbie Pereira, Larry Biggam, Mary South

Guests: Bhavish (Bev) Thakrar with Challenger Sports British Soccer Camps
Presented organization of camps, description of various camps, distribution of brochure;
encouraged participation of teams.

II. Approval of Minutes: Board minutes from February 2002 meeting corrected to read, "Santa Cruz Board meets 3rd Wednesday of each month". Motion to approve by Todd Tsukushi; second by Kathy Parenti. All approved.

III. Oral and Written Communication: Distribution of League ByLaws, AGM minutes from Jan. 2002, February 2002 minutes and Treasurer report.

Board Member Reports

President: Report from District II meeting. Tournament Director workshop to be held April 27 and 28 possibly in the East Bay. Most significant issue was increase in the Field Fund from \$1.00 to \$3.00. Morgan Hill has been purchased by the city of Morgan Hill to become a multiple sports complex. Won't be available most likely after two years. There is property available in Morgan Hill which the city has been given \$1 million to buy into which will house a new complex having 17 fields. Larry appointed a Steering committee to raise funds likely to total \$5 to \$6 million. Question "What's in it for my rec player or Class 3 player" will probably be asked by parents. Most obvious response is that those fields will help to free up our County fields for rec and Class 3 play. Increase to \$3.00 passed unanimously with one abstention, and will go into effect next year. Looking ahead, our county wide program will benefit significantly. Morgan Hill is a good location for the entire District. Intent is to get the League/District II field fund going, independent of CYSA/DII politics. Why not in our county? The size of property needed to develop 12 to 17 fields is not available in Santa Cruz county and would cost twice as much. Morgan Hill is close enough that it does not require teams to stay over night which helps our economically challenged players. Larry stressed the need for scholarships especially for south county players. Total fees per player are: District II - \$3.00; League - \$2.00; CYSA - \$17.50; Total = \$22.50.

Mike Corman informed the board that Abrozino fees are increasing per player and per team.

Larry now has Answering Service from Santa Cruz. Same phone number with auto forwarding. \$55.00 per month. Box #1 – Larry; Box #2 – Paul Holocher; Box #3 – Paul Lester; Box #4 – Class I Tournament; Box #5 – Class 3 Tournament. Can increase or decrease the number of boxes depending on need.

**Club Presidents secure fields now. By end of meeting tonight, or email tomorrow, notify Larry which fields you want insured for season. He also needs List of Board of Directors from Aptos, Pajaro and Mid-County. Larry discussed desire to invest more energies into the Rec and Class 3 programs. Effort to refocus on Rec players. Assist Clubs and Presidents. Most players leave the game at 13. We need to link both Pauls to the Clubs; provide informal coaching clinics for Rec teams giving information on PCA, team management issues; skill sessions for U8 & U10 players.

We will have fields at Good Shepherd which are a good size for the younger players. Could use for U8 & U10 training or drop-in play. Not asking for any vote but wants our thoughts for future planning. Larry to follow-up with Club Presidents on what they need; then the question of how to finance it. Debbie asked if all clubs need to buy into this idea or is it possible to opt out? Paul H. states that focus has been on Select

teams. Teams didn't do so well and overall that relates to development of the player. Larry suggests the idea of a Resource Center to support coaches; a County wide office for both Pauls to field questions, provide information, videos and resources to coaches and players. Robin suggests that we tap into parents as resources – i.e., PCA and CYSA resources that we've already paid for. Bret has discussed idea with Bob Poser of the Club running U8 camps for 2 weeks for both kids and coaches. T & TH with players and coaches; Sat. on their own. Repeat a second week.

Vice-President: No report.

Registrar: Debbie needs registration dates from all clubs.

Class I - paperwork due by May 15.

Class 3 - Due July 15, two weeks later than usual because will require all passes be signed.

Rec – Rosters due after first game on Sept. 13, 2002

There are new forms for State registration with CYSA.

Debbie needs copy of all coach licenses with the team packets for Class 3 and Class I. Go to Coach Link at CYSA NO web site.

Registrar Meeting - March 20, 7:00 PM. All registrars have been notified. Will review use of Windreg for those who need it.

Spring League - 13 teams signed. 6 teams have signed up but do not yet have paperwork in. 3CPL has new name : Delgado League (named after Bill Delgado a former coach).

All clubs now paying registration excepty Watsonville and Club 6 (up to the individual club).

Treasurer: Copy of report distributed. Kirk not able to attend.

Tournament Director: Next Meeting is March 19. Sponsors and fields are needed. Michele is keeping a master list. Class I, August 3 & 4, will have 3 venues; partial UCSC, Polo Grounds, and Skypark. Each tournament has 48 teams participating and will be bringing in some big bucks to the County.

Communication Director: Web page is updated for tryout dates and State Cup Info. 3900 plus hits last week, up from 2500 hits the previous week. Robin has been in touch with newspapers throughout the County. March 13th PCA, 3rd Annual "Against the Grain Forum" to be at Stanford. Bob Poser is nominee for Coach of the Year and SVSLV is nominated for Organization of the Year. Partnership fee is up to \$1300 this year (provides clinics for league, coaches and parents). Individual club workshops are \$400 each. Kathy Parenti moved that we renew our PCA affiliation for the League. Second by Mary South. All approved.

April 17 - Class I PCA Coach Workshop

April 24 – Coaching the Mental Model (for all coaches completing the first level.

End of May – class 3 workshop to be announced. Robin will be attending "Against the Grain" Conference.

U16 and Up Co-Ed Drop-In League needs help from within the clubs. Question of how to include Class 1 and Class 3 players; how to determine the interest level.

Tops Soccer Program – Robin attended workshops at AGM in Fresno. Now looking at Community Foundation, UniRoyal and CYSA for grants to fund program.

Coaches Representative: UCSC for College Night in April Girls Class I tryouts went well. Numbers are low. Coach Licensing courses will be scheduled by end of this week. Working on hosting a D License Clinic. Boys tryouts for Inter and Bobcats are soon. Club presidents get the work out.

Referee Coordinator: Mid-County sponsored a very successful clinic. Over 50 new refs participated. Field session immediately followed course. Youth Ref Clinic game will be held July 28 at Cabrillo. U10 through U15/16 games will be played with 3 quality officials from each club.

C3PL Coordinator: Can't determine number of games or where they will be until we know how many teams we have playing. Continue to check your email.

Secretary: No report.

CLUB REPORTS:

Club 1: Santa Cruz Report by Todd. Raised matching grant of \$5,000 for an expanded financial aide program. 20% increase in fees.

Club 2 – Mid-County Web site is up and running at .Midcosoccer.org. Registration is mailed out to previous players. Walk-in registration information has gone out to schools.

Club 3 - Aptos No report.

Club 4 – SV/SLV Mail-in registration will go out in about 2 weeks. Registration will be around mid-April.

Club 5 – Pajaro No report

Club 6 – Select Club Busy time for Club 6. Existing teams are preparing for State Cup.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

Adjournment - Next Meeting:

Next Meeting : Tuesday, April 2, 7:30 PM at Tony and Alba's in Scotts Valley

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Minutes prepared by Mary South

