



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
June 4, 2011**

The Directors named in these minutes of the California State Soccer Association-South, constituting the Board of Directors of said California Corporation, held its regular meeting on June 4, 2011 at the Corporate Office in Fullerton, CA. President and Chairman of the Board, Johnnie Garza, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. A quorum was present.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Johnnie Garza, President</b>                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Mark Flahan, District 1 Commissioner</b>                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Derek Barraza, Vice President</b>                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>John Mullen, District 2, Commissioner</b>                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Roy Carlson, Vice President-Youth</b>                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sue Abadie, District 3 Commissioner</b>                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Brett Wood, Vice President-Adults (left 3:23 p.m.)</b> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Sharon Kornfield, District 4 Commissioner (left 3:13 p.m.)</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ken Goldman, Treasurer (excused)</b>                              | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rick McCown, District 5 Commissioner (excused)</b>                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Lila Smith, Secretary</b>                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Ann Shoemake, District 6, Commissioner (left 3:13 p.m.)</b>    |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rick Velasco, District 7, Commissioner</b>                     |

Also present for various parts of the meeting:

- John Weinerth, Chief Executive Officer**
- Steve Marquez, Director of Registration**
- Lucinda Williams, Secretariat**
- Frank Sanford, Sanctioned Tournament Committee Chairman**
- Dave Lamb, Director of State Tournaments**

**Also present:**

**David Deleon, Cal South Soccer Foundation Chair**  
**Paul Doty, PAD Chair**

**Public Comments (*Item taken out of order*)**

Dave Lamb said it has been a pleasure working with the Board and wished all Board Members success in the future. Johnnie Garza thanked Mr. Lamb for his years of service to Cal South, acknowledged the growth of the State Cup during Mr. Lamb's tenure and wished him the best in his new venture.

**Approval of Minutes:**

- Motion #1            Sharon Kornfield moved to approve the May 2011 meeting Minutes as amended.  
                                 Ann Shoemake seconded.  
                                 Motion unanimously passed.

**President's Report:** Presented by Mr. Johnnie Garza.

Johnnie Garza reported that the Pacific Coast Invitational went very well despite the lack of lead time. He heard positive feedback from parents and players regarding the organization of the event, the emphasis on training and development and the national exposure for players. He understands that two more states would like to participate next year. The Board will need to discuss boundaries for the event at a future meeting as the event should not become a national tournament. Roy Carlson thanked the Board for supporting this event and showing a vision for change.

Mr. Garza reported that he attended the Presidio League meeting with Mark Flahan, John Mullen and Derek Barraza. The meeting focused on discussions about the referee program. Mr. Garza assured attendees that Cal South would not let an affiliate suffer due to actions of the referee association and offered to facilitate any future meetings. He suggested that the Board consider Cal South's policy regarding referee administration.

Mr. Garza said he plans to form a Banquet Committee. Ann Shoemake volunteered to serve on this Committee.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **Staff Reports**

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Executive Committee**

**Risk Management Committee:** See written report.

#### **Finance Committee**

#### **Protest, Appeals & Disciplinary Committee**

#### **Nominations, Elections & Credentials Committee**

#### **Personnel Committee**

#### **Audit Committee**

#### **Bylaws, Rules & Regulations Committee**

**State Referee Committee:** See written report.

**State Tournaments Committee:** See written report.

#### **Recreation Program Committee**

**Technical Coaching (Instruction) Committee:** See written report.

**Sanctioned Tournaments Committee:** See written report.

**TOPSoccer Committee:** See written report.

#### **Hall of Fame Committee**

#### **Adult Soccer Committee**

Motion #2           Derek Barraza moved to approve the Consent Calendar items.

                          Roy Carlson seconded.

                          Motion unanimously carried.

### **Recurring Monthly Business:**

#### **Youth League Approvals**

Motion #3-           Sharon Kornfield moved to approve all youth leagues except 0384 and Palmdale Youth Soccer League.

                          Roy Carlson seconded.

                          Motion unanimously carried.

#### **Adult League Approvals**

None.

Frank Sanford reported that he attended the Morro Bay Classic, which was well run. He has had three tournaments drop this month – one due to field issues and the others due to lack of attendance. The Surf Cup has 30 to 40 more teams submitting applications than last year

#### **Sanctioned Tournament Approvals**

- Motion #4 Derek Barraza moved to approve all Sanctioned Tournament Approvals except District 1, #0384 and the Celtic Cup.  
Rick Velasco seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried.
- Motion #5 Mark Flahan moved to approve the Sanctioned Tournament for District 1 pending collection of appropriate signatures.  
Rick Velasco seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried.

### **Old Business Items:**

#### **BOD Pics / Bios / Info**

Johnnie Garza informed Board Members that staff will move forward with posting the photos and bios submitted at this point.

#### **CSP: Travel Policy**

Item carried to July meeting.

#### **Member in Good Standing Policy**

Roy Carlson and John Weinerth presented the latest draft of the Member in Good Standing Policy. The Board suggested the following changes:

- Appellant must submit hearing requests in writing.
- Appellant must direct the appeal request to the District Commissioner and President, with a copy to the administrative office, no less than five days before the date of suspension.
- The Policy will contain explicit instructions explaining the appeals process.
- The Board will hold the hearing no more than 90 days later than the hearing request.
- The appellant will submit items for the hearing not later than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Mr. Carlson and Mr. Weinerth will incorporate the changes as suggested by the Board and present a revised document at the next meeting.

#### **Transfer Waiver Policy**

Johnnie Garza clarified the Board's preference to keep the freeze period in place and ensure transfers comply with the rules as established. Ann Shoemake suggested that locking players out of CORIS would resolve the inconsistent transfer issues. Mr. Garza will bring a draft transfer waiver policy, including more flexibility for recreational leagues, to the Board for review at their July meeting.

### **New Business Items**

#### **Cal South Soccer Foundation (*item taken out of order*)**

David De Leon, Cal South Soccer Foundation Chair, made a brief presentation on the Foundation's work and goals. He detailed the grants the Foundation has awarded.

Mr. De Leon spoke about a new program called Growing Soccer in the Community to bring Cal South to markets where it does not have a footprint, particularly in Hispanic communities. The Foundation's future focus will include leveraging agreements, increasing membership and strengthening outreach.

Johnnie Garza asked what the Foundation will do to change the negative perception of Cal South in some communities. Mr. De Leon replied that program staff serve as Cal South ambassadors and highlight the positive aspects of Cal South.

Rick Velasco asked if the Growing Soccer in the Community program would come to San Luis Obispo County. Mr. DeLeon said it would but the Foundation wanted the initial outreach to begin in a high density neighborhood.

#### **Cal South Board Calendar – CY 2011 Board of Directors Meeting**

The Board set the following meeting dates for the remainder of 2011:

- July 23 (in conjunction with the President's Summit)
- August 20
- September 17
- October 15 or 16
- November 5
- December 3

### **Presidents Summit**

Johnnie Garza said he hopes to hold the Presidents Summit on July 24, 2011. He will set the agenda and work on the sponsorship piece. He is considering a possible panel or town hall format for the event which could include topics such as the bylaws template and best practices, the Member in Good Standing Policy and the new technical coaching criteria. Mr. Garza asked Board Members to forward any other suggestions to him.

### **FY 2012 Budget Process**

Johnnie Garza said the Board needs to include committee costs in the budget. The Finance Committee plans to present the budget to the Board at the October meeting. He expressed concern with budgeting to address current economic conditions and the amount of overhead in the budget.

The Board asked to receive monthly budget reports and a multi-year budget outlook.

### **Gold Coast Xtreme Cup (*Item taken out of order*)**

Sue Abadie reported that she has learned that multiple parties say they own rights to the Gold Coast Xtreme Cup and this brings tournament sanctioning into question. John Weinerth expressed concerns that tournaments may not be properly affiliating teams with US Soccer as specified for Class 1 tournaments, but rather using a team waiver form. He added that the Xtreme Cup would like to add an adult tournament; however, Cal South has yet to outline definitive policy in regards to youth sanctioned tournaments hosting an adult event in conjunction with our youth sanctioning. The youth and adult groups are under separate insurance coverage and there are other considerations that need to be taken into account. The Board should also consider beach tournaments where local government may require open registration in exchange for permission to stage on the beach.

Paul Doty thought that Cal South could have a say in the issue if the LLC had ownership in the income generated from the event. However, Cal South likely would not have standing if the LLC owned only the name of the event.

Johnnie Garza said he would delegate this matter to the Tournament Committee and seek legal counsel.

### **Veteran's Cup**

Brett Wood explained that the Veteran's Cup hosts tournaments for divisions age 30 and older. USASA has asked Cal South to host next year's Cup. Mr. Wood supported hosting the event and did not think it would have a significant fiscal impact on the association. He felt the San Diego area would provide adequate membership support to conduct the tournament and likely generate additional membership for Cal South.

Motion #6            Brett Wood moved to inform USASA that Cal South is interested in hosting the 2012 Veteran's Cup tournament.

Roy Carlson seconded.

Motion unanimously carried.

Johnnie Garza suggested offering to host the tournaments for two consecutive years.

(Brett Wood left the meeting at 3:23 p.m.)

### **New Registration Form**

Rick Velasco noted that the new registration form has a roster freeze period but does not have a section for parental sign-off. John Weinerth will look into this issue.

### **Closed Session (*item taken out of order*)**

Motion #7        Mark Flahan moved to enter Closed Session at 12:56 p.m.  
Derek Barraza seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried.

Motion #8        Mark Flahan moved to exit Closed Session at 3:13 p.m.  
Brett wood seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried.

Motion #9        Mark Flahan moved to accept actions taken in Closed Session.  
Rick Velasco seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried.

(Sharon Kornfield and Ann Shoemake left the meeting at 3:13 p.m.)

### **BOD Meeting Recap / Wrap**

John Mullen asked if Board Members could receive the agenda and materials sooner to allow more time to prepare for the meeting.

Rick Velasco asked that the Board hold a strategic planning meeting,

### **Adjournment**

Motion #10       John Mullen moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:16 p.m.  
Rick Velasco seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:16 pm.