



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
June 11, 2014**

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 11, 2014 via conference call. President and Chairman of the Board, Derek Barraza, called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. A quorum was present.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Derek Barraza, President             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Flahan, District 1 Commissioner       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roy Carlson Executive Vice President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Luca Pacelli, District 2, Commissioner     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rick Velasco, Vice President-Youth   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sue Abadie, District 3 Commissioner        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brett Wood, Vice President-Adults    | <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant, District 4 Commissioner                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Goldman, Treasurer               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cindy Quan, District 5 Commissioner        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lila Smith, Secretary                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jack Larkin, District 6, Commissioner      |
|  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christie Paulson, District 7, Commissioner |

Also present for various parts of the meeting:

- John Weinerth, Chief Executive Officer
- Steve Hoffman-Director of ODP and Coaching Education
- Bill Lewis-Director of Marketing
- George Noujaim Referee
- Steve Marquez- Director of Registration
- Adrian Marquez-Office Manager
- Jeff Dyrek, Director of Tournaments
- Luis Salcedo-Director of Membership Development

**Public Comments**

None.

**President's Report**

Appreciate work BOD and staff during the busy summer months. Derek, would like to start "one on one" calls with BOD members monthly to improve communications. Derek announced he has accepted Sharon Kornfield's resignation. Derek released his time (to stay on time with agenda.)

**CEO Report**

Please read-report on line. 1 item of notice, Affinity did make some changes. Need to get feedback. Steve Marquez will follow up off line. Did not do full sweep of requirements. Need VIP/RM/Corp Mgmt.

Luca Pacelli reported when engaging Affinity-items missing will be a hassle for Affinity. Please pass by Technical Committee for assistance and review.\*

CRL= decisions made regarding Affinity not notified. What are expectations this weekend? Communications continues to be an area for improvement.

Steve Hoffman reported that CRL registration information was sent to the returning teams. Registration deadline is 6/12.

Derek Barraza asked Jeff Dyrek to keep the board informed of the CRL progress.

Roy Carlson attended Washington Youth Soccer Association's Annual General Meeting (AGM) and banquet. He will send report to the board via email.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion #1 Roy Carlson moved to approve the May minutes as amended.  
Sue Abadie seconded.  
Motion carried, Rick Velasco abstained as he was not in attendance

John Weinerth advised of a new youth affiliate club.

## **Good Standing Review Cycle Policy**

Adrian Marquez and John Weinerth discussed the "cross check cycle" for affiliate members. The good standing policy allows for cross checking at anytime but at least twice a year. Derek Barraza asked: "are board members advised of good standing violations?" John Weinerth answered: "Yes."

Motion #2 Mark Flahan moved to approve the policy.  
Christie Paulson seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried

Mark Flahan asked, If members are out of compliance and we do not know, are they still in good standing?

Derek Barraza confirmed yes

Derek Barraza advised Insurance would be an issue. We must go thru official process before anything else. Luca Pacelli is the chair for the Rules committee. Staff to work with Luca to update the rules and policies.

## **Soccer Nation**

John Weinerth. (and staff)- Want approval to skip Soccer Nation for 2014. By redesigning Soccer Nation, we can: get better energy, open a weekend for State Cup, provide a better coaching education event in May/June with referees education, more targeted to DOCs.

Board feedback: Sue Abadie-No 2 days, wants interesting speakers, no preference to night or afternoon banquet.

Mark Flahan- No 2 day Expo., likes 1 day.

Steve Hoffman- Really spruce up education, move to summer.

Jack Larkin- 2 day is too difficult for travel.

Cindy Quan- Likes Soccer Nation, exhibits and vendors.

Christie Paulson-One day would work.

Rick Velasco- Rec. leagues (Up North) need consideration. Create event for Rec.

Derek Barraza- Maybe take Expo on the road.

Roy Carlson-Washington AGM included working sessions to raise, discuss and consider issues of importance to members. Wants to retain awards banquet

Ken Goldman. Feels it has served its purpose. Maybe every other year w/small trade show.

Derek Barraza, Feedback from Presidio meeting: Must have a Vendor Show. Long Beach was the best Expo. De-coupling events – not a problem. Time of year agreed to by Steve.

Motion #3 Ken Goldman moved to accept Staff recommendations regarding Soccer Nation. Bring new plans for event to Board meeting on July 19. Include Referees, coaches and administrators  
Sue Abadie seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried

Derek Barraza thanked the Staff for all of the hard work.

### **Operational Review.**

Derek Barraza advised Operation Review starting next week. Review team will advise John Weinerth and staff of timeline and plan. 6-8 weeks structured review with staff opportunity to respond to board report.

John Weinerth asked to see proposals as he has not seen them yet.

Derek Barraza advised the proposals are posted to Share Point. They will meet on Friday to discuss further.

Luca Pacelli Timeline of 6-8 weeks? No hard time line?

Derek Barraza No hard time line. 6-8 weeks, but OK if this runs a bit longer. Report findings will have a high priority for corrective action.

### **District 4 Commissioner**

Derek Barraza sent email to solicit candidates. Would like to appoint at July BOD meeting. He will review all applications and recommend a person to appoint.

Luca Pacelli Agrees with this process.

Roy Carlson Please add to process-as received-immediately communicating of conflict of interest.

Derek Barraza said he would fully explain the process including compliance with the conflict of interest policy.

Cindy Quan suggested performing an exit interview.

John Weinerth confirmed we are following Cal South procedures regarding equipment return, email and system access. Not an exit interview.

Derek Barraza An exit interview is not a current procedure.

Cindy Quan An exit interview could gather information that could be used to better Cal South.

### **Foundation task force**

Derek Barraza recommended creation of an oversight task force. Need guidelines and/or standards. He asked for an email from anyone interested in serving on the task force by Monday. He will consider non- BOD members.

### **Concussion Policy R/M w/referees**

After discussing ideas for a policy, Steve Hoffman mentioned that every coach is being trained on recognizing concussion injuries. Derek Barraza asked John Weinerth to collect information regarding best implementation strategy for a Cal South policy.

Derek Barraza charged Roy Carlson with policy development. Staff is to support Roy on this project.

Roy Carlson: Referee ID card and R/M are requirements for all referees. Aug 1 ,2014 is the implementation deadline.

George Noujaim is working with the referee community to implement the program.

Need to develop a policy regarding the referees ID cards. Derek Barraza stated that Risk Management policies are a top priority. John Weinerth and George Noujaim will send all existing policies to Roy Carlson, Luca Pacelli, and Rick Velasco for review.

### **Committee Participation and Reporting**

Derek Barraza will reach out to Committee heads to discuss reporting requirements.

### **Communication Task Force**

Luca Pacelli Has an update and will defer until a later time w/action items, office procedures, web site, notification systems, etc.

Web Site Update.

Bill Lewis- Recently sent meeting notes from 6/3/14 including vendor statement of work. Site map OK, much easier way to navigate. As few clicks as possible. Currently working on content migration. Functionality- coded. Progressing well. Logan and Rick are working with vendor. Luca Pacelli and Rick Velasco have questions and would like a meeting.

Rick Velasco did review statement of work.

Derek asked John Weinerth to schedule a meeting with Mark Skeen.

### **Youth Symposium**

Rick Velasco 100 + pages of content. Several people to speak to youth leadership group ( 1-rec., 1 comp for each district). Youth Leadership meets 4 times a year.

Derek Barraza encouraged all board members to attend. John Weinerth will have Brandy send a Calendar invite.

Rick Velasco would like as many as possible BOD members to attend. Discussion on the program's budget requirements and whether we need a budget change.

Ken Goldman stated there is no need to change the 2013-2014 budget for this event.

Luca presented rule changes requested by the Release and Transfer Task Force:

Motion #4 Rick Velasco moved that if an intra-club transfer is not contested, the registrar may complete the transfer  
Roy Carlson seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried

Motion #5 Rick Velasco moved that DOC will receive an email & text notification for release and transfer requests for players requesting to leave their club. (the R/T meeting and Advisory meetings, all DOC's wanted the information)  
Roy Carlson seconded.  
Motion unanimously carried

Steve Marquez Text messaging has not tested. Steve will work with Affinity to evaluate.

Mark Flahan mentioned that all 3 major competitive leagues were represented on the Task Force.

Derek Barraza stated that staff need the updated rules. Please draft by July 17, 2014.

CRL discussion -

Steve Hoffman stated that the CRL Showcase a must. In November 2013, the dates used were 8,9,and 10. This year, the event will be held on Saturday and Sunday only. DOCs committee feedback varied but all agreed the event has great potential, must be a Cal South priority, and should be held annually. Maybe an event in March with Cal North.

Luca Pacelli Agrees with Steve Hoffman Wants a Nov. Showcase

Derek, Barraza stated he will discuss with competitive leagues to see if we can work into the 2014 fall schedule.

John Weinerth will check on field availability.

Motion #6 Sue Abadie moved to enter Closed Session at 9:54 pm  
Rick Velasco seconded.

Motion unanimously carried

10:32 pm . Out of closed session.

Recap of action items. Derek did recap.

Motion #7     Rick Velasco moved to adjourn at 10:40 pm  
                  Roy Carlson seconded.  
                  Motion unanimously carried