



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 7, 2007

The Directors names in these minutes of the California Youth Soccer Association-South, constituting the Board of Directors of said California Corporation, held its regular meeting on July 7, 2007 at the State Office in Fullerton, California. President and Chairman of the Board, Gregory Falk, called the meeting to order at 9:10 am. A quorum was present.

Present:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gregg Falk, President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Mullen, District 2 Commissioner |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David De Leon, Vice-President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Doty, Interim District 3 Commissioner |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Johnnie Garza, Vice-President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Derek Barraza, District 4 Commissioner |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Goldman, Treasurer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stormy Medley, District 5 Commissioner |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mick Dawson, Secretary | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ann Shoemake, District 6 Commissioner |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chris Gallup, District 1 Commissioner | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lois Sanford, District 7 Commissioner |

Also present for various portions of the meeting:

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| John Weinerth, CEO | David Lamb, State Tournaments |
| Steve Marques, League Accounts | Luis Salcedo, Mem. Development & Comp. |
| Toni DeCarlo, Cal South Member | Heros Baghoumian, SYRA |
| Adrian Marquez, Corporate Office | |

Agenda (some items taken out of order):

The minutes of June 2-3, 2007 were reviewed.

Motion #1 Mr. Paul Doty moved to approve the minutes as written. Mr. David De Leon seconded.
Motion approved unanimously.

The minutes of the June 14, 2007 conference call meeting were reviewed.

Motion #2 Mr. Chris Gallup moved to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Doty seconded.
Motion approved with Mr. Ken Goldman, Ms. Lois Sanford, Mr. John Mullen, and Mr. David De Leon abstaining.

President's Report: presented by Mr. Gregg Falk. Mr. Falk noted the upcoming US Youth Soccer (USYS) annual meeting and items expected to be enjoined at the meeting. Mr. Larry Monaco has

stated fee increases of up to \$1.50 per player will be asked for at the meeting. Mr. Monaco has stated the loss of major sponsors has been a problem and funding must be raised from one source or another. Adidas has pulled back on its funding of USYS and USYS sponsored events. The elections for Vice-President in USYS are now pretty competitive and the races will be competed.

Cal South has seven teams going to Nationals, and five referees are going as well. North Texas is also sending seven teams and perhaps a friendly bet needs to be made with the President of North Texas. A problem with Regionals in Las Vegas was the split venue.

Competition and Membership Development Report – Presented by Mr. Luis Salcedo. *See* written report. Mr. Salcedo noted the LA Fútbol Circuit is ready to play in the fall and there has been good response. Mr. Salcedo also passed out maps per district that shows the concentration and distribution of players throughout the Association. The data is based on registration database addresses. The coaching education courses are a big hit in the Hispanic community and there are increasing requests for more courses as the community sees the benefits.

CEO Report – Presented by Mr. John Weinerth. *See* written report. Mr. Weinerth noted Cal South has signed an agreement for travel for Cal South with Traveling Teams, Inc. This will help with large hotel group reservations for the Association and should not interfere with the Best Western sponsorship contract. Our insurance renewal is coming up and our loss claims ratio has been good and we are looking at a 12.5% decrease in premiums. Most of this is due to good procedures and follow-through to minimize risk and loss. The prospective new field project in Del Amo has problems as LA County has backed away from participation. ODP camp is going well in Ojai.

Corporate Office Update – Presented by Mr. Adrian Marquez. *See* written report. Mr. Marquez noted we are hiring a new receptionist. Mr. Johnnie Garza asked about the e-mail exchange server and reliability problems with the system. Mr. Weinerth noted our server has had a virus in residence that was undetected and has caused problems. The consultant has discovered this virus and a fix is in progress. One option is to contract out the service to a company that hosts and provides service. Various options were discussed.

Marketing and Recreation Update – Presented by Mr. John Weinerth in the absences of Mr. Jonathon Murtaugh. *See* written report. Soccer Nation has been set for January 5-6, 2008. The AGM has also been moved to that same weekend.

League Account Management Report – Presented by Mr. Steve Marquez. *See* written report. Mr. John Mullen asked about certification for league registrars and if Cal South will actually lock registrars out of CORIS if they fail the test. Mr. Marquez stated the intention is to lock out registrars who do not pass but that they will be working with registrars to pass. The intent is to use the certification to help improve the quality of the registrars, not punish people who are not good test takers.

State Tournaments Report – Presented by Mr. David Lamb. *See* written report. Mr. Lamb. Mr. De Leon asked about the 200 teams drop in the numbers for State Cup. It was noted the teams mostly left for the competing Cal Cup which was promoted by Coast Soccer League who used deceptive registration means to capture registrations by teams who were unaware of their registration in the tournament. Solicitations should be sent out soon for the 2008 State Cup. Mr. Weinerth asked about the seven Cal South teams that are going to Nationals, how many are

going because of the Far West Regional League? The answer is three teams of the seven were there as a result of the Far West Regional League. Mr. De Leon asked about the Far West Regional League registrations for the fall, and Mr. Lamb stated about 7/8 of the registrations are from Cal South. Mr. Lamb also noted he has resigned as Commissioner of the Regional IV League.

Mr. Lamb introduced Ms. Toni DeCarlo from the State Tournaments Committee, who is chairman for the Labor Day Classic recreational tournament. Ms. DeCarlo proposed the Labor Day Classic be promoted for the sake of the recreational teams and asked that 30 teams per district be the target. The District Commissioners Cups should be held in the December and January time frame. The goal is to generate more excitement and provide incentives for recreational teams to extend their seasons and improve their competition. Discussion included recreational rules and differences in polices for recreational soccer between districts.

Mr. Falk noted the Far West Regional Committee formed under Ms. Ann Shoemake and that Mr. Lamb and Mr. Heros Baghoumian would be added to the committee. Others will be added shortly and we will begin receiving monthly reports from the committee beginning next month.

SYRA Report – Presented by Mr. Heros Baghoumian. Mr. Baghoumian noted there were fewer State Cup referrals to PAD from referee issues and the overall problems from games. Mr. Baghoumian also noted the National Cup assignments were taken over by his office and the mentor program rather than from the local referee association. His plan is to expand the mentor program to 250 referees and for that program to take over all National Cup games. He also noted there were 42 referees taken to the Regionals in Las Vegas. Cal South referees at Regionals were good. Mr. Baghoumian noted there was little support from Region IV to support the referees with food and water at the Regional tournament. More will be discussed about this at the October Regional meetings. Cal South is also sending five referees to Nationals: Felisha Mariscal, Shirin Nikpour, Daniel Radford, Israel Fernandez, and Adam Brugman. There will be a youth referee camp for 40 referees at Claremont McKenna College on July 12-15.

TOPSoccer Report – Presented by Mr. Weinerth in the absence of Ms. Sandy Castillo. *See* written report.

Tournaments Report – Presented by Mr. Weinerth in the absence of Mr. Frank Sanford. *See* written report. Mr. Weinerth discussed the list of tournament applications for sanctioning. Mr. Barraza noted there is a number of complaints from established tournaments that there are too many tournaments being sanctioned and it is hurting established tournaments. Mr. Barraza noted the list of canceled tournaments in the written reports. It was noted these were canceled due to lack of team registration.

Motion #3 Ms. Stormy Medley moved to approve the 15th Thanksgiving Classic tournament for sanctioning in 2007. Mr. Gallup seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Motion #4 Ms. Lois Sanford moved to approve the Gold Rush tournament for sanctioning in 2007. Mr. Gallup seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Motion #5 Mr. John Mullen moved to accept the date change for the Beach Soccer tournament for 2008. Mr. Gallup seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

A call to vote on the standing motion to receive and file the written reports was passed unanimously.

Mr. Doty raised an issue with PAD giving opinions regarding players being in bad financial standing with their teams. There have been about 20 of these issues brought to PAD. Mr. Doty explained the teams need to document the amounts owed and make every effort to collect. The problem is worse when a player who owes team money but wants to move to another team. The question is whether or not Cal South should intervene and mediate the issue when it is raised. Discussions centered on what we can do to better support and provide services to our clubs and leagues. Mr. Doty would like to set up a sub-committee of PAD to help clubs investigate and deal with these issues. The Board consensus is PAD should proceed in that direction, helping resolve issues between club, teams, and players.

Ms. Ann Shoemake asked that the December Board meeting be hosted in Bakersfield.

Motion #6 Ms. Shoemake moved to hold the Board meeting on December 8 in Bakersfield. Mr. Gallup seconded.
Motion passed with Mr. Mullen voting no.

Pursuant to previously noticed Bylaw changes with respect to elections of District Commissioners, the final reading and resolution of bylaw changes was addressed. Note changes are being made to bring the Cal South Bylaws into line with California non-profit corporate law.

Motion #7 Mr. Dawson moved to approve the bylaw changes as presented following. Mr. De Leon seconded.

“Section 2. Election of District Commissioners

One (1) District Commissioner shall be elected by the eligible League Members of each District to serve for a term of two (2) years.

District Commissioners shall be elected in alternate years. The even numbered Districts (2, 4, and 6) shall elect their respective District Commissioners [for terms beginning in during](#) even numbered years, and the odd numbered Districts (1, 3, 5, and 7) shall elect their respective District Commissioners [for terms beginning in during](#) odd numbered years.

Elections of District Commissioners shall be conducted not later than [ninety \(90\) thirty \(30\)](#) days prior to the AGM. The term of office for each newly elected District Commissioner shall commence immediately upon the adjournment of the AGM.

Section 3. District Commissioners Election Committee

The Board of Directors shall each year appoint a District Commissioners Election Committee. The purpose of the District Commissioners Election Committee shall be (1) to request, secure and compile a list of qualified and certified nominees for the office of District Commissioner for each District electing its District Commissioner in that given year, and (2) to prepare and mail to each League Member each District's election ballot. Requests for nominations for District Commissioner shall be mailed [by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested](#), to each eligible League Member.

Section 4. Nominations

Each League Member within each District may, by certified majority vote of the board of directors of the League Member, nominate up to two (2) candidates for the position of District Commissioner for their 14 respective District. Such certified nominees shall be

submitted to the District Commissioners Election Committee no less than fifty (50) days prior to the District's properly noticed election of the District Commissioner."

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion #8 Mr. Dawson moved to approve the bylaw changes following. Mr. Doty seconded.
"Eliminate Article VIII, Section 3. Nominations Committee

Art. V.

Section 6. Nomination of Officers

Any voting league member or director of the corporation may nominate individuals for the officer positions on the Board of Directors. Nominees for the officer positions on the Board of Directors must be received by the Board of Directors not less than fifty (50) days before the day of the election. Nominations shall not be received from the floor of the AGM.

Any nominee may refuse the nomination or request removal of his name from the ballot."

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Garza raised the issue of the membership of the Far West Regional Tournament Committee. Committee members as appointed by Mr. Falk include: Heros Baghoumian, Wayne Carver, Dave Lamb, Carol Falk, Jack Larkin, Dave De Leon, and Mike Rosa. As previously appointed, Ms. Ann Shoemake is the committee chairman.

Motion #9 Mr. Derek Barraza moved to approve the nomination of the committee as listed above. Mr. Garza seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Weinerth presented the responses to the President's Meeting via Zoomerang including feedback on the topics to be covered. Key issues were polled to help structure the presentations and round table discussions. Discussion centered on the number of discussion slots, the amount of time provided for each, and the format for the sessions.

Motion #10 Ms. Shoemake moved to approve the Antelope Valley Sharks Soccer Club (0608) and the Ambush Soccer Club (0611). Mr. Barraza seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Motion #11 Mr. Doty moved to approve the Orange Coast United (0317) and Santa Anita Soccer Club (036). Mr. Barraza seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Motion #12 Mr. Barraza moved to approve the Valley Youth Soccer League (0407), California United Football Club (0450), Compton United Soccer League (0458), Masaya Soccer League (0464), and the LA Football Circuit (0499). Mr. De Leon seconded.
Motion passed unanimously with Mr. Barraza abstaining.

Mr. Doty raised the issue of supporting the referees going to Nationals.

Motion #13 Mr. Goldman moved to support the referees going to Nationals with a stipend of \$250 each. Mr. Doty seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Motion #13 Mr. Barraza moved to enter Executive Session to consider strategic planning and personnel issues at 2:24 pm. Mr. De Leon seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Returned from Executive Session at 4:27 pm.

Motion #14 Mr. Barraza moved to ratify those motions made in Executive Session. Mr. Gallup seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Motion #15 Mr. Gallup moved to approve the Imperial Valley Soccer Association (0124), and National City Bandits (0133) be approved. Mr. Dawson seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Barraza brought up an issue on behalf of the Whittier Area Youth Soccer (WAYS), who has asked for help with Signature League conflicts with the American United Soccer Club. Possible rule violations were discussed from within both organizations and through the Signature League. The possibility of misappropriation of CORIS information may be at the core of the issue, although there is little documentation to support the allegation or signed non-disclosure agreements in place. The issue will be investigated to see if any improper use of CORIS information occurred.

Meeting adjourned at 4:44 pm.