

River City Youth Soccer League SPECIAL Board Meeting
WEDNESDAY December 13, 2023 - 7:00 pm
8880 Cal Center Drive #220, Sacramento

Attendees: Shannon Hall (Registrar), Derek Warken (RSC), Bill Norris (Scheduler), Gene Totten (President), Jason Allen (VP), David McKay (Treasurer), Michael Wong (SOSC); Jose Moreno (Referee Coordinator); Sarah Britton (Secretary); Joe Romo (SISC); Andrew Slocombe (BAC)

- A. Call to Order – 7:15
- B. Guest Speaker – none
- C. President’s Report – none
- D. Club Manager Hot Topics – none
- E. Officer’s Reports - none
 - 1. Vice President/Sportsmanship/PAD –
 - 2. Secretary –
 - 3. Treasurer –
 - 4. Registrar –
 - 5. Referee Coordinator –
 - 6. Coaching Coordinator –
 - 7. Scheduling Coordinator –
 - 8. Webmaster –
- F. Old Business –
 - 1. 2024 SEASON:
 - i. Club Board reports:
 - 1. RSC: where affiliate not big concern; pro wider variety and closer, cost concerns; at least U14+ affiliate super rec, U12 not sure, stay same U10 and under
 - 2. APSC: already dual affiliates; agree w/ RSC on rest
 - 3. SISC: cost concerns, transition period; SISC brand and banner being maintained important
 - 4. DDSC: liked dual affiliation, similar to RSC, but U12+ for super rec; not sure about Academy set up; hoping to keep brand and banner and affiliate as club but have RCYSL manage logistics
 - 5. SOSC: pro dual affiliation for older kids w/ affiliation at league level (only few U12+ teams so no economy to do so at club level); would like to retain some club branding if new jersey
 - 6. BAC: board preferred to go all-in on move of all age groups to NorCal/US Club, but wants at least dual affiliation, needs to understand more to choose if affiliate at club level or at league level; BAC (&SISC) are still tied to RCYSL b/c not financially independent 501(c)(3)
 - ii. Bill: RCYSL has enough U10 and U12s to play internally; recommend do minimum for next year, see how it goes
 - 1. affiliation is distinct from registration; clubs pay one affiliation fee, other ‘work’ costs if teams/players register to play for a different playing league or NorCal
 - 2. NorCal requires using GotSport for scheduling; selects pairings, doesn’t even out field use or accommodate coaches that coach two teams
 - iii. Shannon: new cost comparison from Sally tonight, will pass; some new AYSO teams (Antelope) coming in to D6
 - 1. CORI (Livescan mgmt)
 - 2. Concussion (state law) training not provided at NorCal
 - 3. Registrars need to print and laminate passes
 - 4. Scheduling and other playing league fees (NorCal, or places like Metro Kids)
 - iv. RSC: some smaller clubs (River Park) affiliate as a club and are in Metro Kids playing league; CapValley was a bunch of smaller clubs that merged and affiliated as a large club; CCA is very

small and is dual affiliated

- v. Gene: there may be room to negotiate w/ US Club – like branding issues (jersey issue is NorCal rule, not US Club)
- vi. David: is league going to dual affiliate, or are the clubs going to affiliate w/ US Club?
- vii. Jason: what about all RCYSL go all in w/ all age groups to US Club to have best negotiating ability for upper age branding issues at older levels? U10 and under we play each other as clubs anyway; Bill: CYSA/CalNorth is much cheaper for same product
 - 1. why not all go US Club if they have a standing PAD? only NorCal has standing PAD, no one knows if Metro Kids etc have a standing PAD
- viii. Jose: all assigners got their license; RCYSL shares referees, but they are club identified if need to separate for olders; if clubs self-affiliate, they'll need to find a new ref assigning platform, and recruit adults for the older games
- ix. Summary: all clubs want to retain CalNorth affiliation for youngers; “problem” solving is to increase competition for older kids; some clubs want to individually affiliate w/ US Club for olders (U14+ would register for NorCal super rec); some clubs are not ready for direct affiliation w/ US Club and would prefer RCYSL affiliation for their older teams (b/c of increased work burden); discussion about RCYSL association for some services even if clubs self-affiliate; if youngers not leaving, then olders affiliation with US Club not urgent (b/c would be affiliating for Fall) – but club budgets need to be set Jan/Feb, so really need to choose by Jan

G. New Business – none

H. Good of the Game – Gold Cup couple weekends ago: U10G RSC and U10B DDSC both given entry into Junior Cup (state level) in February; D6 paying that entry fee! RCYSL had good showing at Gold Cup

I. Adjournment – 9:01p