



Palo Alto Soccer Club  
Board Meeting – October 15th, 2019  
7:30-10:15 pm

**I. Call to Order and Welcome**

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.
2. Present: Ed Camarena, Natasha Parrett, Solly Malchin, Rodrigo Baptista, Jodie Craig, Tanya Zaghi, Savio Carrijo, Neal A

**II. Minutes and Matters Arising**

Approval of September 19, 2019 meeting minutes: Solly motioned to approve, Natasha seconded, approved unanimously.

**III. Health and Wellness Presentation**

Scott Anderson, 10+ years, Director Sports Medicine Program at Stanford.

Discussed proposal on player health and safety initiatives.

- Discussed Concussion Education called Crashcourse.
- Discussed another program developed calle Eyesync. Indicates if fit for play in 60 seconds. Screening if suspicion of injury.
- Discussed fit for 90.

Action item: Jodie will investigate further

**IV. TD Update**

Emphasized city's poor field conditions.

Action: Rodrigo and Savio plan to gather field issues and plan to get together with the city organized by Neal.

Include emailed update.

1. TTT; I was able to watch multiple games and support many of our teams at the event. I felt that for the most part teams were correctly placed in brackets/divisions which allow our teams to have a great experience at the tournament.
2. Field conditions: Our grass fields are in a very poor state. I've communicated that to Birol who has notified the city. Unfortunately, not much has changed and I am concerned that the situation can get even worse.
3. Practice slots: I am currently working with Birol to finalize the winter schedule. Teams will be notified as soon as we finish their practice assignments.
4. Coaching licenses: We've coaches who applied to take the USSF D, C, B and A licenses. They are currently waiting on the federation to review & accept the application(s).
5. Region 1 NPL meeting: we host our region NPL meeting at the clubhouse last Friday. PSV, JSC, PASC, Start Academy, MVLA, SF Glens and SF Elite were presented. Discussed Topics: NPL format (year-round vs. seasonal) NPL qualification procedure (summer competition), coaches education/license and Tryouts window vs. transfer window.
6. Programs:
  1. Winter Futsal plans are done and I will be announcing all details to the membership this week.
  2. HS program - I am finalizing a new HS training program that will be offered to those players in HS who are NOT playing for their HS team but are interested in training. It will be totally optional. All details will be sent to families as soon as I get everything set.
7. Incidents:
  1. Parent on 12B White was very disrespectful to coach Jonathan and manager after one of their TTT game. The issue was brought up to me and handled by our disciplinary committee.
  2. 2007B White game vs. Woodside. The issue is the WSC is misplaced and they are running the score. The score against PASC was 0-20. Woodside Crush 07' plays DA under Breakers and they also play on NorCal Premier division. I've brought up the issue to Norcal with Jason and Andy. Norcal will look at asking this team to play up in the Spring or in Pre-NPL. For the DA stuff, I've reached out to Breakers to see if they are playing in both competitions. Paolo, Breakers director, wasn't aware and he said he would contact Zack, Woodside coach/director, to discuss the issue. 2007B White is scheduled to

play Woodside again this weekend and I've asked Coach Alejandro to reschedule this game until further investigations is conducted.

## **V. ED update**

Email update:

- PASC Uniform
  - Need to make a final decision ASAP
- SVSA Name
  - Discussion/Suggestion
  - Keeping the brand or fold it under PASC brand
- Registration
  - About on target for registered players
  - To do: follow up with payments, remove no registered players on rosters
- Tall Trees
  - Ron to finalize finances
  - Overall a great event
  - Field concerns
- Disciplinary Committee
  - Discussion on one family issue. Committee to make a final decision on the matter this week
- Portable Lights
  - Same as last year but different dealer
  - Natasha handled negotiation
  - Portable lights \$25K for 4 months is in approved budget.
- Field Conditions
  - Talk to City on how to best handle fields
  - Fields Quality
- ID Camps
  - Brown & Penn
  - Feb 28th & March 7th

## **VI. Scholarship Update**

Email update:

- No new players added since last month. One departure. Remaining funds from recent PayPal donation (1500). Total funds used 67 K.

- Good scholarship volunteer attendance at TTT overall. Only 13% have not started on their hours (huge improvement from last year).
- More families are contributing to their own balances through volunteer opportunities. These families are more integrated into the community.

## **VII. Fundraising Committee**

Patricia provided an update on the Casino Night fundraiser / community event.

Ticket sales, sponsorships, donations going well. Finalizing details. Will need volunteers for setup and wrap up.

Action: Natasha to send email to coaches.

## **IX. Behavior Policy**

Natasha will make update (updating references to independent contractors and more clearly reserving option to ask family to leave club due to behavior issues)..

## **X. Street Soccer USA**

There support to pitch to older teams to see if interest in volunteer program. Ed to follow up.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.**