



Palo Alto Soccer Club
Board Meeting – September 15th, 2020
7:30-8:40 pm

I. Call to Order and Welcome

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.
2. Present: Ed Camarena, Natasha Parrett, Jonathan Chow, Jodie Craig, Savio Carrijo, Rodrigo Baptista, Jim Smith, Solly Malchin, Veronica, Neal Aronson, Eric Madrigal, Gerson Perez

Solly motioned to approve August minutes and Jodie seconded, minutes were approved unanimously.

II. Scholarships Updates and Requests

50 SVSA players and 55 PASC players

\$73K SVSA and \$50K PASC

A number of players on wait list two on SVSA competed, two pending materials, one on PASC completed and approved.

Two SVSA approved players are requesting additional assistance.

Some existing players are struggling. Donations from teams and volunteer roles have helped on PASC team.

There were a couple of large donations that could fund the total.

There is a \$2900 gap to cover remaining players. Natasha moves to allocate \$2900 additional budget from donations to the scholarship fund. Neal seconded. Approved unanimously.

Uniform donations has been helpful for new families.

III. MLS Technical Director

League kicked off in some states. Pushed us to October 11th. Working with the league and clubs here to plan for that date. Schedule will come soon.

MLS agreement was signed.

IV. TD Director

Attending GA league and Norcal league meetings.

There have been some challenges (a total of 12 days with some cancellations though partial on some of the days). Focused energy on creativity of coaching staff. Coaches have been offering replacement sessions and some Zoom session. Easier for coaches with 2 teams. Those with 3-4 teams is more challenging. Even though we can't control the weather, we are working extremely hard to add additional sessions and demonstrate commitment to the players.

Marcos has been working on fitness teams and coaches to provide content. This is easier for the older, higher teams. For the younger teams, it is more difficult due to less flexibility of family schedules.

There was a discussion on the budget. In particular, the 08 team has a large roster size gap. Action item: directors will come up with a plan.

Question about whether it makes sense to petition the county to start some playing. There are some petitions and it would be investigated. Neal and Savio will discuss further.

V. Exec Director Summary

GA league is waiting for a go-ahead from the state. The national event planned for Thanksgiving is still planned but now only for California teams. Will attempt to catch up with the rest of the country.

League commissioner is helpful and great for the future of the league.

Registrations are going up. REC league is strong. AYSO might be cancelled so we may be able to help these families.

We are returning September fields reserved for Tall Trees.

Discussion on whether tournament travel makes sense for 05 and older teams. Discussed a survey to get input. Should communicate issues / considerations to families.

VI. Miscellaneous

Neal asked about the interest of auction. There was general interest. Neal will reach out to the city about availability of Mitchell Park.

City requested a plan for supporting lighted fields on grass. Neal will work with on finding suppliers.

VII. PASC - SVSA MOU Review and Approval

Discussed the reason for expectations and responsibilities for each party. And potential changes to the SVSA bylaws.

Jim motions to enter into MOU. Neal seconded. Approved unanimously.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.