

Redwood League Minutes
Monday March 19, 2007
7:30pm-8:45pm

Website/John Shield

John Shield discussed the progress with the new vendor Ridgstar. Great progress is being made so that he anticipates our new site will be up and running during this spring. Assistance from league registrars and clubs to get the data in synch and up to date will be needed.

Spring League/D2

D2 will not allow others to participate in the RWL Spring league, most notably D1 teams, consequently our RWL SL is going to be approximately 90 teams. Foothill League can't participate either. It was discussed as to whether pins should be issued to the players and after some debate it was decided that T-shirts will be given out instead. This will be approximately 7000 in cost ($14 \times 90 \times 5 = 6300 + \text{tax}$) which was voted on and approved. Potentially the cost might be lower as some of the younger teams have only 10-11 players per team.

Club Affiliation/CYSA

Bennet needs all clubs to submit an updated roster of all team officials with current contact information prior to the next meeting. (President, VP, Treasurer, Sec'y, Coaching Coord; Ref Coord; Fields; Registrar, etc.). phone #'s, emails.

Coaching/Tim Nixon

CYSA North has approved a D course in Burlingame June 6-10. Please apply at CYSA-N. E/D is required first and 30 spots are open. For those clubs wishing to host F, E, E/D classes please coordinate with Tim and they need their application in at least 45 days prior to the event.

Referee/Shannon Pekary

They are looking for a Spanish language trainer who lives locally (RWL) and can train refs. Previously the D2 trainer has lived below Gilroy and the district has required travel & housing expenses for the course. D1 is looking to see if they have someone local for RWL.

There is a D2 Ref Clinic April 11th in San Jose. The D2 Ref website and details of the clinic are at: <http://www.d2sra.org/>

Shannon also discussed formalizing a scholarship policy for the RWL and requested those interested to contact him to help write a policy.

Misc

Morgan Hill is still in use and will likely still be for the next 3-5 years. Not with the full 16 fields, but upon further examination the city and local vendors(hotels/rest) recognize the large amount of business generated and the complex will transition over. 2 Turf fields are possible

for the end of the Fall season. San Benito is still in the works, though the RWL will not write the 50k check for D2 unless a letter is written by D2 committing the funds towards construction only.

State Premier League may end up just being Super Y as the teams and participation are varied leaving the competitiveness and quality of SPL in doubt, with S-Y then being the option.

Soccer By The Bay 2007/Jodi Beloff

Boys will be August 11-12, 2007 and Girls will be August 18-19, 2007.
US Club affiliated tournament. U11-16 Gold & Bronze; Boys & Girls.

Registrar/Tony Morin

Spring registration was high, with approximately 460 new kids in RWL-North and 400 in RWL-South.

In the month's prior Executive BOD meeting it was requested of the registrar to determine residency of the clubs and members. Several issues bring this up; teams leaving from one club to another, teams wanting to form new clubs, and the general conflict over field availability in a given location and the appropriate use/abuse of these fields in partnership with the cities. Brief numbers were given that approximately 60% of kids reside in the city of their local club. Clubs mentioned: Juventus 56%; San Carlos 73%; Foster City 66%; Burlingame 60%; Belmont United 62%; San Mateo 73%; SAYSO 10%. Conversation centered on a team leaving one club and going to another. What is the effect on field usage in the respective cities and for the clubs and kids. Can a club list a team without providing fields for play or practice? Is there a protocol for teams getting fields through their clubs and/or directly with their Parks & Rec? Cities have residency requirements, should the club & league? This will be looked at further by the BOD as currently there are no clear rules and the issue is affecting most areas and clubs.

Treasurer/Valerie Powers

Valerie was attending the basketball tournament but reported via Bennet that our finances are good.