



The Flag and Whistle
Newsletter of the Soccer South Bay Referee Association
- Over 41 Years Serving the Soccer Community -

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President: Michael Hinz	Treasurer: Bruce Ashton	Member-At-Large: Chris Nevil
Vice-President: Steve Morgan	Secretary: Jay Pignatello	Assignor: Gabriel Goldsman
Mentoring & Assessments: David Welch		Training: David Welch

Notes from the President

- **2017 – 2018 Membership Dues are past due as of July 1st, 2017.** While 90% of the members have submitted their dues there are still a few members who have not paid. If you've not paid your dues, you will not receive assignments until your delinquent dues are received. Membership dues remain at \$75.
- **New Members** - SSBRA continues to look for qualified Referees. If you know of a qualified Referee have them apply to SSBRA and you could be eligible to get your 2018 – 2019 dues covered by the Association via the New Membership Initiative program.
- **Referee Professional Development** - The next RPD for 2017 is scheduled for July 18, 2017. Please go to the Cal South Website or the SSBRA training page and sign up. 33% of the SSBRA membership attended the June RPD and we would like to continue to improve the attendance as SSBRA hosts the remainder of the 10 RPDs in 2017.
- **2017 Tournament season** - We are in the final push for the 2017 Tournament season so please keep your mileage limits updated in Arbiter. We have an increasing number of games to cover and if your mileage is too restrictive then you will not be eligible for those assignments.

Date	Tournament	Location
July 15-16	Fullerton Rangers Tournament	Fullerton
July 22-23	Galaxy Coastal Classic – Girl's	South Bay
July 22-23	Eagles Summer Classic - Girl's (Will support as possible)	Camarillo
July 29-30	Galaxy Coastal Classic - Boy's	South Bay
July 29-30	Eagles Summer Classic - Boy's (Will support as possible)	Camarillo
August 19-20	CVU Summer Classic	Moorpark/Thousand Oaks
August 26-27	Moorpark/Thousand Oaks Classic	Moorpark/Thousand Oaks
September 2-3	Simi Valley Labor Day Invitational	Simi Valley

June General Membership Meeting –

The Draft minutes for the June General Membership Meeting can be found below. These minutes will be voted on for approval at the July General Membership Meeting on the 25th.



SSBRA June General Membership Meeting Minutes

6/27/17 Tuesday 7:30 start @ North Torrance HS

Board Member Attendees:

Michael Hinz - MH	Steve Morgan - SM	Gabriel Goldsman - GG
Bruce Ashton - BA	Jay Pignatello - JP	Chris Nevil - CN
David Welch - DW		

MH called the meeting to order.

1. Approve May AGM minutes:

May minutes were approved by the membership

MH reminded everyone about the New Member Initiative where you can receive a discount on your dues for referring a New Member to the Association. MH also mentioned that the Annual Returning Membership Applications are also due for all members by July 1, 2017. This will be on the SSBRA website as an online form and an email will be coming out shortly with instructions.

General Discussions

2. Results of the Board votes at the May AGM were reviewed.

Steve Morgan was voted in as Vice President for two years.

Bruce Ashton was voted in as Treasurer for two years.

Jay Pignatello was voted in as Secretary for one year.

3. The results of the vote for the proposed change to Bylaws was reviewed.

The Annual General Membership Meeting will now be held in June.

4. The results of the Membership ratification for the appointed Board positions were reviewed.

The membership ratified the following members to the following positions

Assignor - Gabriel Goldsman

Co-assignor - Veto Galati

Back-up / emergency assignors - Chris Nevil, Steve Morgan, and Jay Pignatello.

Director of Assessment and Training - David Welch

5. 2017-2018 Membership Dues

Membership dues are past due as of July 1. Member assignments for games will be impacted for failure to pay dues timely. BA will use current fees due to members to cover their membership dues, unless you instruct BA directly not to do so.



6. USYS Far West Regionals

MH and the membership congratulated Michael Takeda, Yoel Miller and Karen Callado-Ferreira for being invited to referee at the USYS Far West Regionals. Karen spoke briefly about the event and spoke very highly of the experience as a whole.

7. Client Status and feedback

CN spoke about a series of visits to client leagues, including Mar Vista Recreation Center, ZogSports, and the Culver YMCA, where our members received very positive feedback from each of the three clients. He encouraged everyone to keep on top of the rules and be professional at all client events.

MH talked about an update on CSL and DSL. On schedule for the start of the 2017-2018 season

JP spoke briefly about the Galaxy tournament. On track for two big weekends at the end of July.

8. Cal South Training

Covered by GG - discussed heading the ball for 2007 and younger, the build out lines, as well as casts and equipment replacement during games and the importance of Referee Professionalism.

9. New members

We welcomed prospective new members in attendance: Nathan Thorson, Liam Caulfield, Geoff Brown and Tim Martinez.

10. Board Matters

MH spoke about the updating of the SSBRA history file as it was last updated February of 2006; he asked for some longstanding members to assist him in updating the file.

DW spoke about not being able to fulfill his Board duties due to his school schedule. DW and the board will be looking for a replacement for The Director of Assessment and Training.

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