



The Flag and Whistle
Newsletter of the Soccer South Bay Referee Association
- Over 43 Years Serving the Soccer Community -

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Notes from the President

1. You need to be 2019 USSF certified by 1/1/2019 in order to get any assignments from SSBRA in 2019. Time is running out as it takes Cal South a week or two to process a recertification. Don't wait until late December or you will be stuck in the year-end back log.
2. There is only one more SSBRA GMM and Cal South Training sessions for 2018 and everyone needs 5 of them so they can get their USSF certification for 2019. Please make sure you make the next GMM on Tuesday 11/27/2018 and attend the Cal South training sessions at that meeting.
3. Thanks to all your hard work, we did a great job during the Fall season covering all the matches and there was a ton of them. There are still a lot of matches to be assigned so please open your blocks.
4. SSBRA has purchased 2018-2019 LOTG books and we gave them out at the Oct GMM on 10/30/18. We still have some available, if you want one, come to the Nov. meeting on the 27th and pick one up.

The Nov. GMM is on the 27th. Please make sure you attend. There are lots of things going on and attending the meeting is the best way to stay current on all the different things.

The draft minutes for the October General Membership Meeting can be found below.



**General Membership Meeting Minutes
North High School
30 October 2018**

- 1) Approved Sept GMM Minutes
- 2) New members were welcomed and the members were reminded about the NMI program – SSBRA is always looking for new members.
 - a. Miluska Farias
 - b. Matthew Skoll
 - c. Sandee Wilson
 - d. Jay Moraytis
- 3) President's Comments;
 - a. 2018-2019 Law books were handed out at the meeting.
 - b. Craig Collar completed his USSF 6 Upgrade. Craig brings the total of USSF grade 7 and above to 59 which equals over 40% of all SSBRA members! Who's next? And please check the roster to verify your USSF Grade is correct.
 - c. Please remember that the leagues cannot do anything about a problem coach unless we Ask, Tell, and Dismiss that coach.
 - d. On a sad note, one of the past members (and one of the 1st SSBRA Presidents), Frank Troeger, passed away on the 15th. He's not been active for a while, but many knew him. Joe Robelotto was asked to say a few words and he and Dick Haber spoke.
- 4) Cal South Training
 - a. Instructor: Randall Reyes
 - b. Topics: Law 11 Revisited
- 5) SSBRA Business
 - a. The following issues were addressed.
 - i. There is not enough referee availability
 - ii. A referee was late by 35 minutes to a game
 - iii. Referees swapped CR & AR positions with no assignor approval
 - iv. A referee had a no show for his first game in the morning
 - v. A showed up 5 minutes before the KO time
 - b. New Business
 - i. Need referees for the "Figo" tournament in Lancaster on Sat. and Sunday, Thanksgiving weekend, 2 fields, around 24 games
 - ii. ~ 8 referees, 4 games per day, \$1.50 per min.
 - iii. Hotel paid for sat. Night if referee works both Sat and Sun.
- 6) Board Speaks
 - a. Bruce – Treasurer
 - i. Bruce shared some data on game counts.
 - ii. Need a volunteer to conduct the required Informal Assessment of the Association's financial records. Required in even-numbered years.
 - b. Chris – MAL Reviewed requirements for proper Match Report
 - c. Gabriel – Need more availability, turning back assignments will result in fines.

Meeting adjourned