

MINUTES
TUCSON METRO SOCCER LEAGUE BOARD MEETING
November 11, 2009

Call to Order at 6:38 p.m.

Present: Carl Piccarreta, Eddie Betterton, Christopher Thomas, Ebie Aldaghie, Roberto Orologio, Tom Davis, Adam Roth, Steve Swain, Brode Meyer, and Diego Morales

Absent: Bill Phillips, Marty Tagg and Brad Herbert

I. MINUTES:

The minutes were approved with a correction to indicate that a motion to amend the by-laws consistent with the proposed language changes was approved – unanimously.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT:

As of this date, the League has approximately \$75,000.00 in its accounts. This represents sufficient funds for League operation through May 2010. During the course of the last two months, standard expenses were incurred for office rent, referee fees, field set up, referee assignment, etc.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. FIELDS

It was reported that we have received field assignments through February 2010 from the City. In that regard, we will not be playing January 17, 2010, due to a lack of fields/Ft. Lowell Shoot Out. In addition, we are short fields on February 14 and February 21, one and two fields, respectively. Brode Meyer will check with the City for the availability of Jacob's Park or another field so we may run a full slate of matches.

Carl was directed to communicate with TWSL to ensure sufficient fields, including Jacob's A and B, were requested for our use through May 2010 and that at least seven fields were requested for our use during the summer.

B. BY-LAWS

Motion was made to move Section 4, paragraph 3 to Section 5, paragraph 3. This moves the rule establishing 60 minutes for an official match from D&R Committee Procedure to the section addressing Games. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. FC SIMBA

It was discussed that there have been multiple complaints regarding FC Simba playing overly aggressive, verbally and physically. Carl was directed to communicate with the FC Simba captain to caution his team against overly aggressive play at the risk of future sanctions.

B. CHRISTMAS BONUSES

The matter was tabled for the December meeting.

C. EXCESSIVE YELLOW CARDS

Eddie Betterton directed a discussion regarding potential sanctions or disincentives for teams receiving an excessive amount of yellow cards. A general discussion ensued without formal action. The matter will be discussed at future meetings.

D. NEW BUSINESS BY-LAWS

A possible change to the by-laws was distributed and discussed. Specifically, a by-law change that more specifically addresses the behavior of players away from the field, but directed at league officials and/or referees was discussed. The proposal includes extending the schedule of fines under those circumstances and/or acts detrimental to soccer. There was general discussion. The matter was tabled for future discussion and advocacy by its author.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The next meeting of the Tucson Metro Soccer League Board of Directors will be on December 9, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. at the offices of Piccarreta Davis PC, 145 South Sixth Avenue, located on the northeast corner of South Sixth Avenue and 12th Street. Parking is to the east of the building with entrance to the building from the parking lot. The meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. sharp.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this _____ day of November, 2009

By _____
Carl A. Piccarreta

THE LEAGUE WEBSITE IS: www.cactusmouse.com/mens_soccer

This site is available to provide information on League by-laws, scheduling, standings, referee assignments, etc.

THE TEAM REGISTRATION WEBSITE IS: www.tmslregistration.com