

**SMSC Board of Directors Meeting
Director of Coaching Report
August 3rd, 2009**

Fall Team Registration

We will host ten teams for the fall season, nine competitive and one developmental. All teams are dually registered with GBYSL and US Club Soccer. Please see Club Administrator's report for more details. Our plan to incorporate more players from Incline Village, Tahoe City and Kings Beach was successful.

Coaching Assignments: Fall 2009

All ten teams have been assigned for the fall season. We held our first preseason meeting last week to review club standards and assist the coaches to prepare for their initial parent meetings during the week of August 3 – 7. I will send out a staff list with contact info early next week. Our next coaches meeting is scheduled for August 12th at 6 pm at the Sierra HS building. Agenda for this meeting will cover league protocols, lesson preparation and final training assistance. Please see attached Training Schedule for days, times and locations for each team in the Club. Training sessions will begin the week of August 17th.

Summer Training Program:

The Tahoe Vista site sessions were cancelled due to a lack of participants (the few were invited to attend Truckee sessions) and Truckee sites for the Lil'Kickers, Jr. Passers and Intermediates have shown a very low turnout. We were hopeful to get some late registrations and walk-ups in addition to better numbers for the second session, but that has not materialized to date. The Comp and HS sessions are more well-attended, but well below expected numbers. We have received good feedback regarding the training provided and solid ideas for improvement for next summer.

Facilities:

I met with Dan O'Gorman to finalize our training schedule and block times at Riverview for home matches. Please see the attached confirmation letter. We are still working on reserving North Tahoe Regional Park fields for some match dates this fall. It is a beautiful facility with a full-sized turf field and a youth sized, grass field. Depending on availability, we may use it for some training, as well.

Club Guide:

The Club Guide was distributed at the evaluation sessions, will be available to new families at the preseason parent meetings, is posted on our website and copies available at our office. We have both English and Spanish versions available. The policy prohibiting our members from participating in recreational soccer leagues during our seasons was met with some resistance. To my knowledge, there were a handful of families who chose not to participate with our Club due to the policy. Unfortunately, it negatively affected the registration of only one team because the few families were on one roster. However, the U11 Boys team still has 13 players and will add others prior to the first match.

Recommendations: repeated from May, not resolved

Although a friendly round robin style “tournament” is not included in the proposed budget, it could replace the winter indoor tournament. I would like to have that approved in the budget discussion as a replacement. See April recommendations for rationale.

August Plans:

I have been working with Jeff Cade, Technical Director for GBYSL on a few key league issues (including the bracketing of teams and league match schedule) and assisting with the development of the Northern Nevada Premier Program for next fall. Please see separate report on the Labor Day Tournament tasks.