

**SAN DIEGO DEVELOPMENTAL ACADEMY
MARCH 24, 2014
MEETING MINUTES**

I. Call to Order.

Meeting called to order by Bob Turner at 10:10 a.m.

Sign-in sheet attached.

Guests: Diane Scavuzzo, Editor-in-Chief, SoccerNation.com
U.S. Army Sergeant Lane Stack, National Guard Representative

II. Special Committee Reports.

A. Executive Committee – No report.

III. Unfinished Business.

A. National Guard – Sergeant Stack spoke regarding the 5 soccer clinics funded over the last month around the County by the National Guard. SDDA sponsored one of the clinics. Sergeant Stack mentioned that they would be interested in coming out to the individual clubs to discuss what the National Guard offers to college bound students. He also reiterated that the tuition assistance, etc. monies do not affect FASA or athletic/academic scholarships. www.nationalguard.com

B. Club Approvals – Bob Turner stated that Barca Cantera and Tiffany’s Pachuca would like to be considered for acceptance into SDDA. Also, Chula Vista United Rangers Soccer League is in attendance to appeal their declination into SDDA. Updates were requested from Atlante, Aztecs and Fusion.

A representative from Barca Cantera was not in attendance at the meeting. Additionally, Barca Cantera did not turn in required paperwork showing they meet the criteria required for acceptance into SDDA. Barca Cantera did tell Bob Turner they were sending three coaches to the USSF National C license course.

Tiffany's Pachuca did not turn any required paperwork in. A representative from Tiffany's Pachuca was in attendance at the meeting and stated that the club currently has six teams but will have eight teams by beginning of season.

Rene Miramontes stated that if the paperwork is not turned in and individuals are not here to represent the clubs, why are we discussing them for consideration into SDDA? We need to take SDDA to the next level and hold clubs to a higher standard.

MOTION: Made by Paolo Landini. Seconded by Chacha Namdar (??).

To NOT approve Barca Cantera or Tiffany's Pachuca application into SDDA for the 2014-2015 season.

Motion passed. No opposition. No abstentions.

Updates on clubs with pending applications:

Atlante – Enrique Duran stated that he had called U.S. Soccer to get a waiver so the coach can get into the next USSF National C license course and has Gompers (turf field) for SDDA games;

Aztecs – Not in attendance; and

San Diego Fusion – Ray Taila showed proof of registration into the next USSF National C license course.

Chula Vista United Rangers Soccer League representatives are in attendance to appeal the declination of their entry into SDDA. They stated that they have now sent in their curriculum, BOD is in place and holding meetings, and are waiting for the coaching license to be verified. They have acquired Mater Dei High School for SDDA games and also have Voyager.

Chula Vista United Rangers Soccer League –

MOTION: Made by Rene Miramontes. Seconded by _____

Approve Chula Vista United Rangers Soccer League application into SDDA for the 2014-2015 season.

Motion passed. No opposition. No abstentions.

A question was also asked if criteria are not met, for example having at least ten teams in a club, are clubs deemed to not be in good standing? Bob Turner replied yes, they will not be in good standing, but will not be removed from SDDA because the younger teams will already be seeded.

C. Rules and Regulations (Transfers) – A committee was formed to finalize a Transfer Rule. The committee consists of Hector Diaz, Shannon MacMillan, Khaled Al-

Shafie, and Rene Miramontes. Bob Turner will attend the meetings. Member clubs were asked to forward any thoughts or complaints to Bob.

D. Showcase Events – Youngers showcase will be November 15 and 16, 2014. Manny Neves will look into using Coronado fields for the event.

E. Website (Pictures/Articles) – We will continue our articles with SoccerNation.

IV. **New Business.**

A. Attendance – Bob Turner reminded the member clubs that each club must attend 80% of the SDDA meetings or the club will not be in good standing and could be removed from the SDDA. Rene Miramontes added that we need the DOCs and coaches to attend these SDDA meetings as the DOCs and coaches are the ones that are accountable for what happens on the field and will bring the questions to these meetings that can elevate the level of the game for all of the kids. This is also why the meetings are during the day, as the DOCs/coaches are on the field in the evening.

B. Minutes – Sami Nedjar requested that the SDDA meeting minutes be posted.

C. Executive Committee – Two members of the Executive Committee have stepped down. Nominations are made for Khaled Al-Shafie of Vista Storm and Rogerio Mendes of Coronado Youth Soccer League.

MOTION: Made by David Banks. Seconded by Shannon MacMillan.

To approve the nomination of Khaled Al-Shafie and Rogerio Mendes onto the San Diego Developmental Academy Executive Committee.

Motion passed. No opposition. No abstentions.

D. Olders Tryouts – Member club representatives present were reminded of the SDDA ethical rule that if a new player shows up at your practices before tryouts, we need to communicate with that player's current club. There was discussion among the member clubs present that we need to make a better effort to communicate. Albion's website language inviting players to out to practices before State/National Cup/formal tryouts was read outloud and Rene Miramontes asked Dan Raeihle to have Noah Gins change the website as it violates the contact rule which is part of the SDDA ethical rules.

Rene Miramontes further reminded the member club representatives present that the rule includes doing our best to not interfere with a player's experience in State/National Cup or preparation for it.

Bob Turner reiterated that the SDDA contracts will be signed by the coaches, parents and players so all are informed of the rules of SDDA. He further reiterated that for next year, if you break the rules in place, then your club will not be allowed to remain in SDDA.

V. Good of the Game.

VI. Motion to Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m. Next meeting will be April 14, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Del Mar Sharks offices.