



The Flag and Whistle

Newsletter of the Soccer South Bay Referee Association

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Notes from the President –

April's Flag and Whistle was a little long but you will find May's F&W is short so it all averages out...

Mike Clifford fund –

I will start off with status on the Mike Clifford fund. As of today, 4 members have donated their referee fees for 8 matches and we were also able to collect \$245 at the May Annual General Membership Meeting on the 26th. This means as of the 26th we have about \$415 donated/collected for the Mike Clifford Fund. Please continue to keep the donations coming in and as important please find some time to visit Mike at Westside Healthcare. Contact Jonny Joseph to get more details on visiting hours and the appropriate protocol.

Annual General Membership Meeting –

I am pleased to report that both Bruce Anderson and Steve Brandon were voted back on the board as the Vice President and Treasurer respectively. The board is eager to begin our new year serving you. Please send me an email or give me a call if you have an idea on what your board should be focused on or if you have any questions on our current activities.

Two of the three Bylaws changes were also approved by the membership as shown below. The updated bylaws are now posted on the SSBRA website.

By-Laws proposals Approved –

1. Section XIII, Article L, Was:

L. The Board of Directors shall choose a non-Board member(s) to perform an informal review of the Associations financial records on even numbered years.

Approved Change:

L. The Board of Directors shall choose a non-Board member(s) to perform an informal **assessment** of the Association's financial records on even numbered years. **The results of the assessment will be made available to the Membership.**



2. Section IV, Article D-3, Was:

Probationary members must attend a BOD approved field workshop (training) as scheduled by the BOD. This workshop will occur within one year of joining. A member who does not attend the scheduled workshop will remain a Probationary member but will be moved to the bottom of the assignment list until she/her attends the workshop. If the member does not fulfill this requirement within the year, BOD may elect not to accept that member in the next year. A probationary member may request an extension from the BOD due to unforeseen circumstances.

Approved Change:

Probationary members must attend a BOD approved field **orientation/training** workshop as scheduled by the BOD. This workshop will occur within one year of joining. A member who does not attend the scheduled workshop will remain a Probationary member **and may** be moved to the bottom of the assignment list until she/her attends the workshop. If the member does not fulfill this requirement within the year, BOD may elect not to accept that member in the next year. A probationary member may request an extension from the BOD due to unforeseen circumstances.

By-Laws proposals Not Approved –

Section I, Was:

The name of the organization shall be: Soccer South Bay Referee Association.

Unapproved Change:

The name of the organization shall be: South Bay **Soccer** Referee Association.

After completing the voting, the business part of the meeting ended and pizza and drinks were served.

Next Meeting: The June General Membership Meeting will be held Tuesday June 30, 2015 at 7:30 PM in the Library at NHS