



# The Flag and Whistle

## Newsletter of the Soccer South Bay Referee Association

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### Notes from the President

While parking fees are part of typical business expenses like expenses for gas and uniforms, SSBRA will reimburse actual receipted parking expenses for referees officiating matches assigned by SSBRA when no free parking is available. This reimbursement will not exceed \$5 per day. Requests for parking fee reimbursement must be made no later than the next general membership meeting after the expense occurred.

### Arbiter Transition

We are happy to report that we have completed the transition to Arbiter and all matches are now being assigned through that system. You should be receiving emails from the Arbiter system in regards to all your assignments. If you have any questions or need any help with Arbiter, please contact Chris Nevil or anyone of the following SSBRA members who have volunteered to be on the SSBRA Arbiter "Power Users" list to serve as peer-to-peer Arbiter "help desk" volunteers. Please don't hesitate to utilize any of these contact points to help you resolve any questions or issues. You can also send your questions via email to [arbiter.2015@ssbra.org](mailto:arbiter.2015@ssbra.org).

#### **SSBRA Arbiter Power Users;**

Steve Morgan,  
Kiku Annon,  
Warren Howell,  
Reza Pazirandeh,  
Goi Ponciano,  
Steve Resnick.

Please join the Board in thanking these members for their support.

### Referee Professional Development (RPD)

The next Referee Professional Development RRD is Tuesday, Oct 20, 2015 at North High School. We currently have 36 referees signed up for the 20<sup>th</sup> but there is lots of room for more. If you have not attended an RPD come out and find out what it's all about. You can sign up at; <http://cysa.affinitysoccer.com/eventmanager/public/event.asp?calid=6986707&eventtype=RPD> or use the link on the SSBRA Training page.



## **Sept General Membership Meeting –**

The Draft minutes for the September meeting are shown below. These minutes will be voted on for approval at the October meeting.

# DRAFT SSBRA Membership Meeting Minutes

September 29, 2015 7:30 PM North HS Library

Board members present: Michael Hinz, Bruce Anderson, Chris Nevil, Steve Brandon, Kirk Jackson (Absent: Veto Galati)

**Michael Hinz Opens Meeting:** MH opened meeting at 7:30 PM asking for approval of the Aug 2015 General Meeting minutes which occurred by acclimation.

**New Member Introduction:** MH then asked if there were any new member applicants present. New applicants introducing themselves were Jim Bennett and Sean O’Conner.

**CAL SOUTH TRAINING:** At appx 7:40 PM Cal South Instructor Gabriel Goldsman took the floor, and conducted training on “Referee Team Work.” The training included suggestions on how both CRs and ARs can and should work together to ensure the highest level of professionalism and team work.

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS:** After the training BA requested the membership to ratify the Board’s appointment of Kirk Jackson as the Mentoring & Assessment Director and Training Director. The membership overwhelmingly ratified the appointment. BA then informed to membership that due to unexpected personal issues, Debbie Dakouzlian had to decline the appointment as the SSBRA lead assignor. BA then requested the membership to ratify Chris Nevil as the SSBRA lead assignor and Kirk Jackson and Veto Galati as back-up assignors. After a short discussion, the membership overwhelmingly ratified the appointments.

**ARBITER TRAINING:** Following the ratifications, Chris Nevil took the floor and provided real time training on the Arbiter system. Chris demonstrated several aspects of the how the system works and showed how the numerous blocks are set up. During the training a good Q&A session occurred. During the Q&A session a suggestion to identify members who could help other members was made and the identification of Arbiter “power Users” listed above was agreed upon.

Following the Arbiter training session, Ed Beverly requested a vote by the membership to overturn the Board’s decision not to reappoint Bill Cook as the SSBRA assignor. After a few minutes to determine the exact wording of the motion, a motion was made by Ed and seconded to overturn the Board’s decision not to reappoint Bill as the SSBRA assignor. The motion was overwhelmingly disapproved by the membership with only one vote in support of the motion.

The Board then raffled off a referee jersey donated by Manny Fineberg from CSA sportswear.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

**Next Meeting:** October 27, 2015