

## Opening

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Peter Fletcher. There were 46 people present at the start of the meeting. President Filippo Vurro thanked the organizations who have graciously sponsored this AGM dinner meeting – ARC officials, Red Star Soccer Academy, Santa Clara Youth Soccer League, and Sunnyvale Alliance Soccer Club.

The Club recognized and thanked Kayvon Pejooch for his work on the new design for the Club patches and coins.

## Agenda

- Introduction of current Board Members
- Review of 2018 club membership and activities
- ELC program
- Referee of the Year award program
- Finances and Budget review
- Election of Officers

### Introduction of current Board Members

Peter Fletcher gave a quick review of website, board positions and current holders.

### Referee Director report

Tibor Polgar showed slides of referee trends in our area: classes held; growth of referee pool; retention. There are about 1500 registered referees in the Club's area; about 600 are active (did SASC/MVLA/WV games in 2018). Even with that base, leagues still have to pull 150+ referees from out of the area to fully staff large tournament requirements.

Youth have a retention issue – we lose about 60% every 2 years

200+ of 1150 each year do not renew

It takes about 3 seasons for a new referee to move from rec to comp.

### Review of 2018 club membership and activities

Membership (2018 total: 341) is grouped into three categories:

- Paid members - 97
- ELC members - 179
- Complementary members (Referee of the Year award winners) – 68 (including 3 who paid)

Regular monthly meeting attendance varies from 60-85

### Entry Level Class Program (ELC)

Filippo discussed ELC Program. NorCal League has sponsored the classes. The instruction is done by club members who are licensed by USSF and assigned by CNRA. The Club charges a class fee to the students. Major expenses are for facility rental and IFAB rule books for the students. Other Leagues are encouraged to contact the Club when they are in need of instructional classes.

### Referee of the Year award program

Kayvon provided an update on the plans and preparation for the Award Night being held in two days on December 12<sup>th</sup> at the Quinlan Center. There are 83 award winners this year. All Club members are invited to attend.

2018 financials and budget

Peter presented the 2018 financial summary and proposed budget.

Membership and law book sales provided most of our regular income, a little over \$4000

Membership dues just about cover the Club's regular expenses.

The Referee of the Year program generally breaks even. Each League pays based upon the number of their award winners.

The ELC program has about \$5000 income and \$1500 expenses

At the end of the discussion, a motion was made by Erik Levin to approve the financials and proposed budget. It was seconded by Tibor Polgar and passed by a voice vote.

**(break for dinner)**Election of officers

Peter and Ron Leedy gave brief reviews of general treasurer activities.

George Tharakan was nominated for Treasurer by Saba Sathya. Ron Marfil seconded the motion, and it was approved by voice vote.

Mike Gibbons moved to elect the slate of officers. It was seconded by Saba Sathya and approved by voice vote.

**New Business**

1. The Club is investigating what mechanism to select (such as Dropbox or Google Docs, etc) to make club documents (such as guest presentations) available to members. We don't want to put such things on our open web site for anyone to be able to access. Carl asked about having a member login section of the web site for such information. Alan will investigate.
2. Peter indicated the need for a standby instructor group to be able to fill in when Club Clinicians Joe and Peter not available. Preferably it would be someone with an instructor's license who had a 'canned presentation' available to present at a regular meeting in emergency. Please contact Peter if you can help out in this area.

A question from the floor was raised about Club Bylaws. Ron Marfil indicated that he has copies. If other members have any club documents they should contact the Secretary (Carl Jones). Carl suggests that the Club may want to consider having an archivist or historian.

At that time, there being no new business, Dana Johnson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by George Tharakan. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

*Carl Jones*