



**NorCal Premier Soccer Board of Directors Meeting  
October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Walnut Creek Holiday Inn**

**Present: Shawn Blakeman, Paolo Bonomo, Kevin Crow, Glenn Van Straatum, Benjamin Ziemer,  
Guest - Gabe Rood (US Club Soccer)**

**Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am on October 18<sup>th</sup> by Benjamin Ziemer**

**NorCal BOD Decisions and Votes**

**US Club Soccer National Cup**– *US Club Soccer offered Norcal an option to place Norcal State Cup winners directly into the US Club Soccer National Cup.*

**Vote:** *NorCal will support our boys and girls State Cup winners (13-17) going to US Club Soccer National Cup for a total of \$5000. **Shawn Blakeman moved, Glenn Van Straatum seconded, and NorCal BOD approved 5-0.***

**National Premier League Finals** - *US Club Soccer offered NorCal a first year free offer for its top RAL teams to play in the first National Premier League Finals in the end of July 2012.*

**Vote:** *NorCal RAL girls winners (14-17) will be sent by US Club Soccer to US Club Soccer National Cup. NorCal RAL boys winners (14-17) will be sent by US Club Soccer to US Club Soccer National Premier League Finals. There will be no entrance-fee cost to NorCal or NorCal Clubs, teams will have the ability to decline. Travel cost will be the team's responsibility. **Shawn Blakeman moved, Glenn Van Straatum seconded, and NorCal BOD approved 5-0.***

**Review of Playing Down Policy in Region 3/4** - *Region 3/4 put forth proposed guidelines for consideration by the NorCal BOD for its region and potentially other regions as well. **Vote:** NorCal BOD approved to allow Region 3/4 RAC to consider proposed guidelines with the following conditions:*

- *The spirit of the player movement needs to be maintained while protecting the integrity of the competition within the spirit of the game.*
- *The RAC can set these guidelines through discussion at the local RAC meeting for submission to the Norcal BOD.*
- *Each item proposed should be discussed individually and gauged/measured against the above player movement goal.*
- *These final guidelines will be followed by clubs in honoring the integrity of the competition in the spirit of the game.*
- *All incidents of not complying with these guidelines need to be reported to the Norcal PAD with approval from your DOC using PAD incident report system. Each incident will be dealt with on an individual basis by this PAD.*
- *These guidelines will be used for potential adoption in future rules.*

**NorCal BOD approved 5-0.**

**NorCal BOD Meeting (Nov. 15) – Decision:** *NorCal BOD Meeting Agenda will be as follows:*

- *U.S. Soccer "Training Center" and its relation to PDP*
- *Gabe Rood - National Premier League - US Club soccer*
- *Regional Academy League - Showcase/ Winter and Spring Update*
- *Player Development Program (PDP) update*

**NorCal BOD Date approved:  
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- *Coaches Education Program 2012 update*
- *US Club National spot & NPL finals*
- *Q & A feedback from DOC*
- *Technical Presentation*

**Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.**