

**Redding Youth Soccer League**  
**Bylaws**

**1.0 Board of Directors**

- 1.1. The Redding Youth Soccer League (hereinafter referred to as RYSL or League) shall have a Board of Directors consisting of 15 (fifteen) members including the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Competitive Coordinator (NSS Club President) and 10 (ten) Members at Large.
- 1.2. Members of this league shall nominate and elect at the AGM each year, officers who shall serve for a period of two (2) years. Officers shall take office effective on January 1 following the AGM. The President and Secretary shall be elected to take office on January 1 of the even- numbered years. The Vice-President, Treasurer and Competitive Coordinator (NSS Club President) shall be elected to take office on January 1 of odd-numbered years.
- 1.3. Members of this league shall nominate and elect at the AGM each year, Members-At-Large who shall serve for a period of 1 (one) year. Members-At-Large shall take office effective on January 1 following the AGM.

**2.0 Officers**

**2.1 President**

Shall sit as chair over all league meetings and shall cast a vote only in the event of a tie.

The President, or a designee, will represent RYSL at the CYSA AGM and all CYSA District 9 meetings.

Shall appoint, at the beginning of each season, subject to the approval of the Board, the committees and other members-at-large, as needed.

**2.2 Vice-President**

Shall chair the protest, appeals and disciplinary committee (PAD Committee) and will assume the President's duties in his/her absence.

**2.3 Secretary**

Shall keep an accurate record of the minutes of each league meeting; shall prepare and submit to the Board a copy of the meeting minutes; shall prepare and distribute to the Board the next meeting's agenda; shall maintain a record of all correspondence submitted by the league with the exception of that generated by the Treasurer.

## **2.4 Treasurer**

Shall be responsible for complying with generally accepted accounting principles; shall give a receipt of all monies that shall be deposited in a recognized bank in the name of this league. All accounts shall be paid by check and shall bear two (2) signatures for any check, the treasurer and/or the president's and/or vice-president's. The receipt book and vouchers shall be produced when required by the Board of Directors; properly balanced according to the bankbook or statement, whichever is up to date. The treasurer shall be responsible also for preparation of any and all papers pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation, tax exemption status of the league, and all Federal and State tax filings.

The treasurer shall be bonded by a reputable bonding agency.

## **2.5 Competitive Coordinator (NSS Club President)**

Shall oversee the operations of RYSL's Competitive Club, North State Soccer (NSS). Will report back to and seek approval for the actions of the Competitive Club from the RYSL Board at each meeting. Shall perform other duties as described within the NSS operating documents.

## **3.0 Members at Large**

The president, with approval of the Board, shall appoint Members at Large to perform the duties as deemed necessary by the Board.

## **4.0 Board Authority**

- 4.1** The Board of Directors shall have the authority, in accordance with the governing constitution, by-laws, and rules and regulations to discipline, suspend, or completely bar any league member from any approved league activities.
- 4.2** All disciplinary action taken by the Board of Directors must be considered private business.
- 4.3** All approval of coaches, and any business that singles out Board Members and/or individuals not on the Board, must be considered private business.

## **5.0 Board Expenditures**

- 5.1** All Board members will have their children's registration fees waived
- 5.2** All Executive Board Members will have a \$200 expenditure limit (covered by receipts) for the completion of league business without the prior approval of the Board. These expenses shall be reported at the next meeting of the Board of Directors. All other Board Members shall require advanced approval of all

expenses.

**5.3 Financial Responsibilities** – The League shall not assume, or be liable for the debts or financial responsibilities, either implied or incurred, of any of its affiliated teams or members.

## **6.0 Vacant Positions**

The President, with two-thirds (2/3) approval of the Board, shall appoint a person to fill a vacated Board position. In case of a vacant President position, the Vice-President will ascend to the position of President. At the next AGM, all vacated positions, including President, if vacated, will be up for election regardless of time remaining in office. Persons filling those positions will do so until the position's normal term ends (i.e. terms end in odd or even years).

## **7.0 Liability Protection**

All officers and Board members of this Association and officials of member teams and leagues shall be covered against personal liability claims by the Redding Youth Soccer League for performing acts and duties directly related to the work of this Association.

## **8.0 Committees**

**8.1** The following standing committees and others as needed shall be appointed as needed.

- A. Rules and Revisions committee.
- B. Protest, Appeals and Disciplinary Committee.
- C. Internal Affairs Committee chaired by a non-Board member.

**8.2** The RYSL Competitive Committee shall be a standing committee chaired by the league's Competitive Coordinator. The Competitive Committee shall be known as the Comp Club or North State Soccer (NSS). The Committee shall, via the North State Soccer Policies, Procedures and Operational Directives, oversee the operations of the Kaos and Missfits teams within the Redding Youth Soccer League. The Committee chair will report back to the board at each meeting of the League Board.

## **9.0 Articles of Impeachment**

**9.1** The Board of this league may, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, recommend impeachment of any Board member to the Internal Affairs Committee if any of the following conditions persist:

- 1) Three or more unexcused absences from Board meetings during term.
- 2) Failure to perform his/her duties or follow the guidelines as outlined in the Redding Youth Soccer League, California Youth Soccer Association, the

United States Youth Soccer Federation and the United States Soccer Federation constitutions, bylaws, rules, regulations or policies.

- 3) Lack of vigor as a team member of the board of this league.

The Internal Affairs Committee must, within two weeks of impeachment recommendation, hold a hearing with the President and Board Member in question. The person or persons under review must have a 10 day written notice of the hearing. After hearing all information, this committee may declare the position vacant.

## **10.0 Membership**

**10.1** Any applicant for membership in this league shall submit yearly, with the appropriate fee(s), properly completed club affiliation forms, properly completed player and/or team registration, prepared in accordance with the current registration instructions and procedures required by California Youth Soccer Association and RYSL.

## **11.0 Meetings**

### **11.1 Board Meeting Agenda**

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the first Monday of each month or by the call of the President. The agenda for the regular meetings shall be as follows:

1. Call to order
2. Establishment of quorum
3. Acceptance of previous month's minutes.
4. Introduction of guests.
5. Board member reports.
6. Old business
7. New business
8. Adjournment

### **11.2 Special Meetings**

The Board of Directors shall meet whenever the President deems it necessary, or if he/she is instructed to do so by three (3) or more members of the Board of Directors.

## **12.0 Board Quorum**

**12.1** A quorum for regular meetings of the league shall consist of at least 50% of the currently filled Board of Director positions.

## **13.0 League Colors**

**13.1** The representative colors of the RYSL shall be:

Primary: Red and Black

Alternate: White and Black  
Other colors may be designated as needed.

## **14.0 League Logo**

The official league logo is on file with the RYSL Secretary.

## **15.0 Protest, Appeals and Disciplinary Action**

### **15.1 PAD Committee**

RYSL will establish a Protest, Appeals and Disciplinary Committee (PAD Committee) to review and administer decisions in all protests, appeals and disciplinary situations arising out of all league sanctioned play in accordance with CYSA guidelines. This committee will be comprised of five (5) individuals:

1. the RYSL vice-president as chair
2. an experienced coach;
3. an experienced, upper level referee;
4. two other unbiased league members.

Besides the vice-president, no committee member can be a RYSL Board member.

The PAD Committee duties will include rendering decisions on game protests presented by a coach; making decisions on players, coaches or other members presenting behavioral problems or poor sportsmanship during games, practices or other venues; making disciplinary decisions for red and second yellow cards given in a game. In cases where a minor is involved, the minor, his/her parents and the player's coach must also be present.

The PAD Committee will report all findings and recommendations in writing to the Board at the following Board meeting.

### **15.2 Protests and Appeals**

Protests and appeals of games can be submitted by all teams classified U12 and above in accordance with CYSA, District 9, and RYSL guidelines.

### **15.3 Protest Process**

Protest and appeals of games are to be made in writing by the team's coach and delivered to the PAD chairperson within three (3) calendar days (Sundays and holidays excluded) of the action being protested. Any deadline not met will render any protest or appeal null and void.

#### **15.4 PAD Decision Appeals**

Written appeals of PAD decisions must first be submitted to the RYSL Board for review and the league's final decision. These appeals are to be delivered to the RYSL president within three (3) days (holidays and Sundays excluded) of the PAD action.