

DISTRICT 8

MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

Call to order at 7:42 PM by Sue Gonzales, D8 Commissioner

Approval of Minutes – Motion made by Aida Gois (McSwain) second by Sandi Lee (Tuolumne). Passed unanimously.

D8 Checking account Balance as of 9/25/2025 - \$52,684.17.

Present: Sandi Lee, Tony Diaz (**Tuolumne**), Aida Gois (**McSwain**), Lucas Whitlock, Nickey Corrigan (**Mother Lode**), Anthony Gini (**Stockton**), Aaron Donahue, Tevin Jones (**Turlock**), Bill Arriola (**Manteca and D8 Referee Admin**), Kim Zamarripa (**Atwater**), Emily Garcia (**Merced**), Shanon Gallant (**Modesto and D8 Admin**), Jack Smith (**D8 web**), Cassie Hinde (**Stockton and D8 Registrar**)

Absent: Hervi Rualo (**D8 Assistant Commissioner**) Jesse Munoz (**Tracy**), Jesus Leyva (**Calaveras**), Kacy Barnett (**Ebbetts Pass**), Lisa Williamson (**Linden**), Lou Toste (**Ceres**), Desiree Aguillen (**County Line**)

Commissioners Report (Sue)

UPDATE/REMINDER –

Safe Weather Conditions – Sue reviewed the safety protocol for adverse weather, specifically thunder and lightning storms, in several areas.

Policy on players with casts - A discussion regarding the use of a cast during practices and games was discussed in length. Leagues in District 8 will not allow hard casts at practice or games. Sue will research the subject further and report at next District meeting.

USYS Change to State Cup National Championship (Competitive) – Sue let the leagues know the changes to the new USYS State Cup National Championship series and encouraged all leagues/clubs that have competitive teams to sign up for Cal North Cups. Winners will advance directly to the National State Cup.

USYS Of The Year Awards 2025 – Sue announced the new program for Awards of the Year and will give out more information when she receives it.

Sue again reminded the leagues/clubs about the change in registration for the 2026-2027 seasonal year being changed to school term (August 1 – July 31) vs the birthyear like it has been for several years. She advised the leagues and clubs to advertise and educate the parents starting now so they are all aware of the changes.

Reminder – send numbers to Sue for uniforms purchased (fall and spring) so she can compile a list for vendors. Higher volume may help secure better pricing for the leagues.

DISTRICT CUP – Shanon

Dates – November 8, 9, 2025

location – Legacy Sports Complex in Tracy

cost - \$425.00 per team

Information regarding procedures and timelines will be distributed to all leagues and published on the D8 website in October.

BML – Shanon

Games are scheduled for January and February, with a rainout day each month if necessary. The tournament will take place on February 28 to March 1, 2026. at Mary Grogen Soccer Complex in Modesto.

Cost: \$450.00 per team

Additional details will be distributed and published on the D8 website following the District Cup.

Referees - Lou and Bill

District Cup – will be working with Michael from Tracy on securing referees for District Cup.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - District Commissioner Nominations and Elections

A motion was made by Shanon Gallant (Modesto) and seconded by Aida Gois (McSwain) to nominate Sue Gonzales for District 8 Commissioner for another 2-year term from January 2026 through December 2027. Vote was unanimous. No other nominations were made.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:55 pm by Sue Gonzales

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR REMAINING MEETINGS FOR 2025

OCTOBER 23, 2025, 7:30 P.M., ZOOM

NOVEMBER 20, 2025 (APPRECIATION DINNER FOR D8 LEAGUES) 6:00 P.M., IN PERSON