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Dear SCYSL family,

We wish you well and thank you for your continued support of our league.

We would like to formally announce that the Board of Directors voted several weeks ago to retain the services of SUSA as the club's primary training provider.

After 3 successful years with Colonial Sports Group (CSG), we have made the decision to take another step forward to establish ourselves as the number one youth sports club in the local community.

What does this mean for the club and what will SUSA provide? On the surface, we will not see too many changes. Most of our professional coaches will stay with the club, however, will now be affiliated with a program that will further enhance the training that they are receiving.

If we look a little deeper, it is the following administrative responsibilities and professional processes that SUSA will put in place which have been the driving force behind our decision.

1. SUSA has the largest network of soccer resources in the region, meaning more soccer specific opportunities for players, parents, coaches, and board members
2. SUSA's community department works with local clubs, separate from their academy program. This means better local relations and increased chances for participation opportunities.
3. SUSA provides the most organic pathway for players of all abilities meaning we can now confidently advise families of the appropriate level for their child from 4 through to college.
4. SUSA will provide a fixed cost for all travel players that will eradicate the need for counting hours, and different players paying a different amount for soccer. All Bellport travel players will pay the same balanced cost each year no matter how many players are on their team.
5. SUSA will also provide a platform to collect training fees (upfront or in installments). This will be a HUGE relief to all volunteer coaches.
6. Finally, SUSA will also work with families that need financial aid, offering help where it is needed without increasing costs to other club members.

The other change, that may not be apparent on the surface, is the evolution of roles within our club. Both Tom Williamson (Club DOC), and Chris Day (Head Coach) have been hired by SUSA to continue within our community.

Tom's role will change from Director of Coaching, to Club Services Director. Tom will oversee the general direction of the club, making sure that our pathway is a positive one that aligns with any local, regional, and national coaching standards.

Chris's role has also changed to become Director of Coaching Services. Chris will oversee the day to day running of the club, and will be the point man for all scheduling, staffing, and training questions.

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