

# NSS Board Meeting Minutes

December 12, 2016

## Board Members in attendance:

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X	Rick DuVall	Duane Carolus	E
X	Ed Tworek	Ron Franck	X
X	George Scott	Jim Price	X
X	Steve Bessey	Frank Parker	X
Others in Attendance			
X	Kathleen DuVall	Gary Kruse	X
X	Al Pfeffer		

## The meeting was called to order at 6:29 PM

### Approval of November 7, 2016 Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes via email was made by Jim Price, seconded by Ron Franck with unanimous approval.

### Old Business:

#### Field Operations – Jim Price

After the first of the year, Jim will check with Ryan from LaVista on the fence repair.

Jim will start working on the lost and found chute after the first of the year also.

#### Field Scheduling – Duane Carolus

Duane will have a draft 16-team schedule ready for review by the Feb meeting. 15- team schedule will be the same as last year. He will just need to plug in team names if that is the schedule used.

#### Finance and Registration – Ed Tworek

Still reconciling this year's finances. In general terms the finances are in a good shape. Due to rainouts (6 in spring and 2 in the fall) we saved money on fields, umpires and balls. Revenue estimates were right on target. There were 9 memorial contributions resulting is approximately \$500. In the end, we estimate that we will come in about a couple of hundred dollars of breaking even. Ed will reconcile it to the penny by the end of the year and provide an estimate of next year's budget.

There were suggestions given around items for the budget next year.

There was a group discussion around whether we need to be a non-profit 501(c)(3) of the IRS code. Rick is going to review the information and see if this is something the league should consider.

Marketing, Publicity and Communication – Ron Franck

No report

Player Personnel – George Scott

George sent an email to existing managers to gauge their interest in remaining a manager with a follow-up to those that did not respond. At this time, 10 managers have committed but there are some that attached conditions to that commitment, leaving possibly 13 managers. George will work to get the managers confirmed by January. There was initial discussion on ways to incent managers that will be taken into consideration if there are not enough volunteers.

Purchasing and Inventory – Steve Bessey

**Ball Holder exhibit:** Ed brought an example ball holder for the Board to consider. Theoretically it will hold the needed 9 balls for a night of games but because of the need to remove and refeed the used balls, it appears that it will only really hold 7 functionally. Jim Price is going to take the sample and see what he might be able to fabricate.

**Jersey Presentation:** Al Pfeffer and Gary Kruse both presented options for jerseys for the new draft year. Afterwards, the Board had additional discussion, including a call with a current Central Screen Printing customer. The consensus was to consider the presentations and make a decision at the January Board meeting.

Rules and Umpires – Frank Parker

Analysis and conclusions to be drawn from Paul Hamel's "Fall Ball Data Final" spreadsheet. Rick reviewed the background behind the data to refresh the Board. The outcome was that using the new proposed format did shorten the games to less than an hour. The Board discussed using this format for rain delays and heat index nights.

The Board recommended keeping Mike the Umpire in Chief if he would like to remain in that position. Frank will work with him to solidify the umpire lineup for the next season.

There was discussion around doing a survey for the umpires of the coaches and vice versa. This was a comment in the rules about doing this but it has not been implemented in the recent past.

**The motion to adjourn made by Steve and seconded by Rick. Approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:14 PM**

**Next meeting: Tuesday, January 10, 2016 @ 6:30 PM**

**Location: Pizza West**