



NSS Board Meeting Minutes

December 12, 2017

Board Members in attendance:

Board Members			
X	Rick DuVall	Gary Kruse	X
X	Dave Dye	Ron Franck	
X	George Scott	Bill Weller	X
X	Steve Bessey	Frank Parker	X
Others in Attendance			
X	Kathleen DuVall	Ed Tworek	X
X	Chuck Cantoya		

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM

Approval of the November 14, 2017 Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Steve, seconded by Gary and approved unanimously.

New Business:

2017 Financial Recap – Ed Tworek

Ed provided an overview of both the operational and discretionary funds. For the discretionary fund, it increased significantly due to the gift from Denny Zakovec Family.

As incoming Finance Director, Bill will create a visual of the budget for review during the January meeting.

Gary is going to review the liability insurance to see if he can get a better policy and price.

Softballs – Gary Kruse

Gary talked with Chuck from AD Star about the balls and the issues that we are having. Chuck is committed to making it right and we can send them all back for a same replacement or they would replace with synthetic rather than the composite the league purchased. The group decision was to replace them like-for-like rather than downgrading to the synthetic and to not purchase any more until the replacements are tried. The motion to send the balls back for a comparable replacement was made by Gary, seconded by Dave and passed unanimously.

Denny Zakovec Trophy – Frank Parker

Jim Fishbaugh at AC Trophies created an example trophy which Frank brought to the meeting. Jim proposed that it be inscribed on the side with Denny's picture. There would be additional plates on each side and on a yearly basis, it would have an inscription added with the newest recipient each year. Each new winner would also get a separate plaque that will remain with the winner while the Denny Zakovec trophy will travel. The previous year's winner would present it to the newest recipient at each year's banquet.

Rick will send an email to Denny's daughter explaining how the money donated would be spent, including a picture of the trophy.

Standing Business:

Player Personnel – Dave Dye

Disciplinary Review Board

Dave proposed a Disciplinary Review Board to deal with some of the Code of Conduct issues that are occurring in the league.

He also presented the current registration form to the rest of the Board with some proposed updates to include greater detail on the Liability Release Statement. The group considered making the mail-in of registration a week sooner to ensure that all Liability Release Statements are signed in time for the draft/league play.

Dave would also talk with the managers at the beginning of the new seasons to reiterate that they are empowered to manage the behavior of the players on their teams.

Other items:

In talking with some of the league members, Dave brought to the Board some of the ideas and concerns that were brought to his attention. Based on the discussion at the meeting, the Board members will send to Dave questions for a league survey. Once it is determined when the survey will be distributed, Gary will do a league-wide announcement.

The Board discussed the use of the pitching screen what happens if it is not used correctly. The discussion was tabled until a later meeting.

Scheduling – George Scott

George sent out to the Board the proposed Calendar of Events. After discussion by the group, George will make some adjustments to the Calendar and send it back out to the Board for review before the January meeting.

Finance and Registration – Bill Weller

Bill and Ed met to do a transition of the League finances over with the new year. As a result, Bill will starting a new ledger to coincide with the new checks that are ordered and are waiting to receive.

The question was posed about the payment for web services and it was decided that if monies are to be paid out for web site maintenance, they can be paid directly to the consultant if it is within the proposed budget. Bill and Chuck will meet to discuss the most effective way to pay other automatic website fees and to ensure there are funds in the proper accounts to cover them.

Field Operations – Ron Franck

Ron was not in attendance and no report submitted.

Marketing, Publicity and Communication – Gary Kruse

Gary reported that the proposed date for the summer BBQ will be 8/8.

Gary has a vendor that is proposing a 5-10% lower rate for for any uniforms needed for the coming season. Once the number of new players is determined, he will work with Steve in securing a bid from this vendor against the protected price paid for the last round of uniforms.

Purchasing and Inventory – Steve Bessey

Steve will take care of sending back the soft balls. Gary will work with him to get a pre-paid sticker for the shipping.

Rules and Umpires – Frank Parker

Frank is working to get metal stickers for the bats rather than the paper ones currently in use.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Steve and seconded by Gary. The vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM

Next meetings:

Tuesday, January 9, 2018 @ 6:30 PM

Tuesday, February 13, 2018 @ 6:30 PM

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 @ 6:30 PM

All meetings held at Pizza West, 12040 McDermott Plaza, La Vista unless otherwise noted.