



## NSS Board Meeting

November 16, 2021

### Attendance:

Board Members			
x	Rick DuVall	Rusty Jensen	E
x	Alan Hardt	Terry Hovorka	E
	Roger Clapper	Bryan Galloway	x
x	Bob Dalziel	Dave Sanderson	x
Others in Attendance			
x	Kathleen DuVall	Chuck Cantoya	x
x	Tom Holder	BJ Danze	X
x	Dave Janda		

### Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM.

### Approval of the Minutes

The motion to approve the October meeting minutes was made by Tom, seconded by Terry and approved by all.

### New Business:

#### *Website Administration* - Chuck Cantoya

Chuck did a review of the last couple of years and all the great work that the Board does with the NSS website. It encourages him to make tools to support the work that the Board does. He reviewed his role as coder and web administrator, explaining what he does and what the Directors are currently doing. He explained some of the tools that he is also projecting to complete.

The transition of knowledge is expected to happen with the new positions and Board Members but he is willing to assist where needed. The Continuity documents that are available on the website for each new Director to review and update as needed.

## **Old Business:**

Review and Prioritization of Parking Lot Items. See addendum for discussion items.

## **Director Updates:**

### Player Personnel - Rusty Jensen

Rusty was excused from the meeting and no report was presented on his behalf.

### Purchasing & Inventory - Alan Hardt

Alan and Rick are working on transitioning the role duties. Rick provided Alan with the supply of soft balls, score books, koozies and the AED for storage over the winter.

### Rules & Umpires - Terry Hovorka

Terry was excused from the meeting and no report was presented on his behalf.

### Field Operations - Roger Clapper

Roger was not present at the meeting so no report was presented.

### Scheduling - Dave Sanderson

No updates.

### Finance & Registration - Bob Dalziel/Mark Opfer

The balance at the end of the year is looking strong with all the bills being paid.

### Marketing, Publicity, & Communications - Bryan Galloway

There are a lot of teams that are heading to Phoenix for tournaments. In the past, an email was sent out to the league to showcase the winners. It is up to the tournament team player/manager to notify Bryan of things to communicate.

The NSS Facebook site is managed by Mike Marlowe. Bryan would like to work with him to update and manage.

Bryan has someone who would like to be a sponsor. He will communicate the cost and let the Board know if they decide to pursue.

## **Adjournment**

The motion to adjourn was made by Dave, seconded by Alan, and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04.

## **Next meetings:**

Tuesday, December 21, 2021

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

All meetings held at 6:00 PM at Sean O'Casey's - 2523 S 140th Ave, Omaha, NE unless otherwise noted.

All players are encouraged to attend the Board meetings. If you want to attend and have a specific topic, please email the League Secretary at [kkduvall24@gmail.com](mailto:kkduvall24@gmail.com) to be included on the agenda.

# Addendum A

## *Parking Lot*

- Umpires: Training New or Self Umpiring
  - It is believed that self-umpiring takes away from the enjoyment of the game and could cause issues with calls during important games. If there are people who can supplement and want to, that would be fine.
  - The decision was to have Terry continue to find additional umpires.
  
- Outfielders attempting to throw out runners at first base
  - There is nothing in the Rule Book stating that this can't be done.
  - It is believed that it is self-defeating to have it as a rule. Less rules are better.
  - On the player survey, it was 70% in favor of being able to make the out.
  
- Review the replacement player rule where the player being replaced is long-term/full season. Included in the discussion is how close to the end of the season a player can be determined to be "full season".
  - This has been assigned to the February Board Meeting and will also a review of the "like for like/-1" rule.
  
- A player that is ejected is gone from the current game as well as the next one. Be more precise about the ramifications in the Rule Book
  - The Rule Book needs to be updated to include "as well as the next one" . Rick to communicate to Terry to draft a rule.
  - This has been assigned to the December Board Meeting
  
- How long should a game be delayed when waiting on a replacement player
  - The Board was in agreement that teams will wait for the replacement player.
  
- Player Position Preferences during Registration . During registration there should not be a player position preference for "any". There should be a selection for each of the positions.
  - Chuck indicated that he could update the registration to indicate Outfield, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, pitcher, catcher and short stop.

- Discussion around how to modify the tournament seeding if there is an odd number of teams.
  - This topic will also include a discussion around have a League Champion in addition to a Tournament Champion.
  - This has been assigned to the February Board Meeting
  
- Player Evaluation Committee and the moving of players down in ranking and moving players only 1 round.
  - This has been assigned to the January Board Meeting
  
- Placement of the commitment line at 30 feet
  - This has been assigned to the February Board Meeting
  
- Survey Questions
  - This has been assigned to the December Board Meeting
  
- Early Registration Fee vs. Late Registration Fee
  - Bob recommended that we start the registration earlier and then set a deadline that afterwards has a late fee.
  - This has been assigned to the December Board Meeting
  
- Review the balls being used in relationship to the bats
  - Since this was a side comment by Mike York and not a result of a player complaint or issue, the Board decided to keep the same balls used now.
  
- Used Balls
  - There are many used balls. Friday morning league uses some of them and others are used at UBA.
  - They can be offered to the league first, then can be offered to non-profit organizations or sold on line.
  
- Helmet cost/subsidies
  - This has been assigned to the December Board Member
  
- Banquet postmortem
  - Good feedback on the banquet
  - Communicate to GAS that dinner would start at 7:00 to give time to have social hour and opening remarks

- Open the bar sooner to avoid the long line at the beginning
  
- Additions to the deceased prior player pictures
  - Some people were missed for the banquet table this time
  - People were told to send them in
  
- Pitching Screen Rules and Penalties
  - This has been assigned to the January Board Meeting