

NSS Board Meeting

March 15, 2022

Attendance:

Board Members			
Х	Rick DuVall	Rusty Jensen	E
E	Alan Hardt	Terry Hovorka	X
Х	Roger Clapper	Bryan Galloway	X
Х	Bob Dalziel	Dave Sanderson	X
Others in Attendance			
Х	Kathleen DuVall	Tom Holder	X
Х	Bob Garcia		

Call to order

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

Approval of the Minutes

The motion to approve the February meeting minutes was made by Dave, seconded by Alan and approved by all in attendance.

New Business:

No new business.

Old Business:

All Old Business will be covered in Director Updates below.

Director Updates:

Finance & Registration - Bob Dalziel

<u>NSS 501(c)3 Designation</u> - The lawyer that Alan talked to indicated that NSS would not be considered a 501(c)3 because players pay to play. Rick did some investigation and LegalZoom.com charges \$595 to do the work and a \$600 filing fee. Bob also knows someone who has set this up previously and he will contact them for their input.

Spring Season Registration Update - 161 registered with only 3 outstanding for payment.

<u>Choice Hotels</u> - The tournament teams are applying for their own number and anticipate getting the Choice Hotel monies going forward. This was part of the 2022 budget and if it is not received this year could cause a deficit.

Rules & Umpires - Terry Hovorka

<u>Overall Replacement Player Rule</u> - The previous discussion was to remove the "minus 1" criteria and to have the three lowest rounds to be equal. The roster that a team has in the tournament semi-final is the roster you have for the finals unless the replacement player is injured. The general consensus is that tournament rosters do not need to be reviewed and approved if the players are evaluated during the year and the team roster is unchangeable between the semi-finals and the finals.

Dave made a motion to accept the Seconded by Roger and all in favor so motion carried.

<u>Replacement Player Rule and Long-Term Replacements</u> - Since the agreement is that the leagues is back to "like for like" that resolves this issue.

<u>Co-ed Line/200 Feet – Tony Cruz email</u> - Tony would like to establish a Co-ed line at 200 feet. The outfield could not cross that line until the ball has been hit. This would eliminate the five-man infield. Rick proposed that this not be implemented this season and be part of the next player survey.

Placement of the commitment line at 30 feet - The consensus is to leave the commitment line as it is.

<u>Walk and Sit</u> - Roger introduced the concept of "walk and sit" where a player at the plate earns a base on balls and knows that they will need a pinch runner. Rather than walking all the way to first base, the walked player will just go to the dugout and the pinch runner goes to first base. It is believed that this is a time saving measure. There was general consensus and Rick asked Terry is to write the rule to email out to the Board for a vote so it can be finalized before the summer season starts.

Commissioner – Rick DuVall

<u>NSS Storm Chasers Event</u> - Rick talked with the Storm Chasers and was given proposed dates, meal prices by menu and ticket locations. He proposed that there be a two-week registration at the end of April where players can sign up so there is an idea of participants. The Board decided that July 7 was going to be the date and the burgers/brats menu. Dave to put this on the summer calendar.

<u>NSS Storm Chasers Exhibition Game</u> - Bill Bowes approached Rick about NSS doing an exhibition game at Werner Park. It would be patterned after what was done at TD Ameritrade. The Board believes it is worthwhile so Rick to follow up with Bill.

Scheduling - Dave Sanderson

<u>Tournament Seeding with Odd Number of Teams</u> - Number one seed in either division has a bye. This is how it has been done before, it worked and how most leagues handle the situation.

<u>Status of the summer schedule</u> - Based on the number of players, there will be sixteen teams of ten players. Dave will work on setting up a schedule to match that next week and he will adjust it if it turns out that there is a need for more teams based on registration.

Purchasing & Inventory - Alan Hardt

Allowing winning managers to select the championship jackets - This item was deferred until next month's meeting when Alan can be present.

Field Operations - Roger Clapper

No updates on the fields. The concession stand bidding is still in process.

Marketing, Publicity, & Communications - Bryan Galloway

Bryan will send out a couple more reminders until the end of the registration period. He has been helping with communication for the Tuesday Morning League. He is updating email lists and tagging for better communications.

Player Personnel - Rusty Jensen

Rusty was unable to attend as he was out saving the world against tyranny.

Adjournment

Dave made the motion to adjourn. Bryan seconded and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 PM.

Next meetings:

Tuesday, April 16, 2022 Tuesday, May 19, 2022 Tuesday, June 21, 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 to be included on the agenda.