

NSS Board Meeting

May 16, 2023

Attendance:

Board Members			
Χ	Rick DuVall	James Bennar	Е
Χ	Marty Boozikee	Bob Garcia	Х
Х	Roger Clapper	Bryan Galloway	Х
Χ	Bob Dalziel	Dave Sanderson	Х
Others in Attendance			
Х	Kathleen DuVall	Tom Holder	Х

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

Approval of the Minutes

Dave made a motion to approve, Bryan seconded and all were in favor. The motion passed.

New Business

Umpires - Tom Holder

Tom expressed some concerns about the new umpires, feeling that the umpires are rushing the games or wasting time so the full innings are not played and have not fully learned the rules. There was also a suggestion that the umpire liaison attend some games to see the situation. Bob has been communicating with the umpire manager and will continue to do so.

Player database cleanup - Dave Sanderson

Board members can now cancel individual games and change scores.

Website changes

Manage Player

Playing History

Mailing Address

Delete Registration

Edit Registration

Edit Player

Permissions dictate features available

Red are Managers and Super Users only

Blue are Super Users only New player registration notification

Dir Players

Dir Comm

Dir Finance

Should player deletions result in email to these Directors as well? The consensus was that they should. Chuck provided Dave with a database dump of players. He is asking permission to clean these up. It is possible some of them are FML and would need to stay. The recommendation is to clean up anyone who has not played in the last five years because if they return, they would need to create a username.

Board Position for IT Support - Dave Sanderson

Dave recommended a new board member position, appointed by the Board, without term limits, without term duration, without voting privileges and serving at the board's discretion, be added, with title "IT support". This person would be present at board meetings to discuss board decisions that would impact front and back-end software work. This person can provide guidance to the board members, but not vote on motions. This person may or may not be considered "executive committee" worthy for closed door discussions, depending on board's needs. Rick is going to take it under consideration and bring it back to the next meeting.

Flag at the Ball Field - Rick

Comments have been made about the condition of the American Flag at the field. Roger communicated with Denny at LaVista who indicated he would take care of it.

Parking Lot Gate - Rick

Bo Bozikee expressed concern that this gate is locked and could be a concern in case of injury. Roger is going to confirm with Denny that all first responders have a key.

Pitching Screens - Rick

The screens are starting to show wear. Marty is going to start the investigation on purchasing three new ones and bring the information back to the Board.

Old Business

7th Round Skip Rule - Roger

Roger does not feel this is fair to 11 player teams as it consumes all the 7th round players and does not allow 11-player teams access to them. His recommendation is to skip the 9th round instead. The option is to go back to doing it the end of the serpentine.

Player Evaluations

The Board needs to confirm when the Player Evaluation Committee will do their evaluations

Player Evaluation Committee

There was a discussion around the members on the committee. Since James was not at the meeting, it was decided to make this a topic for the June meeting.

Director Updates

Field Operations - Roger Clapper

No updates beyond what is in New Business

Rules & Umpires - Bob Garcia

No updates beyond what is in New Business

Player Personnel - James Bennar

James was not in attendance and did not provide an update

Purchasing & Inventory - Marty Boozikee

One team (Gil's) team is not complete because of the vendor not having the needed sizes.

One player is paying for a larger shirt

All players who wanted extra jerseys have paid for them

There are players who are not using their jerseys but there is only a recommendation in the Rule Book.

Some players are asking for nicknames and that is the some of the reason as the rule is last names.

Commissioner – Rick DuVall

Marketing, Publicity, & Communications - Bryan Galloway

Other than communications about lost equipment, he is just managing requests as they come along.

Finance & Registration - Bob Dalziel

The State of Nebraska has approved the non-profit application. Waiting on the approval from the IRS. The Articles of Incorporation will be brought back the Board next month for review.

There are several people are requesting registration refunds and the Board approved. Since there is still an expense for the jersey and the player keeps it, there is no refund for the jersey.

Scheduling - Dave Sanderson

No updates beyond what is in New Business

Parking Lot Items:

Advertising Advisory Committee

Adjournment

Dave made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Bob G. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:36.

Next meetings:

Tuesday, June 27, 2023Tuesday, July 18, 2023
Tuesday, August 17, 2023

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.

(This is a new section added to house discussions during Board meetings that are not for public communication but need to be documented for historical reference. This section will be removed before being provided to the Communications Director for email distribution and before posting on the NSS website.)