

Nebraska Senior Softball

Monthly Board of Directors Meeting

6:30 p.m. May 12th, 2015 Pizza West LaVista, NE

Attendees: Duke Burgess, Duane Carolus, Ron Franck, Chuck Grubb, Jim Price, Ed Tworek and Greg West.
Absent: Ron Kunert.

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Director Chuck Grubb.

Minutes from April meeting were reviewed with some additional edits noted. Motion to approve by Burgess, seconded by Franck. Unanimous approval.

Status of Scoreboard (Ed Tworek)

The manufacturer stated he expects to ship the new electronic scoreboard this week. Additional accessories purchased include an AC Adaptor and Protective Cover.

Discussion ensued over handling and operation. The following procedure will be implemented during a short familiarization period:

The scoreboard will be placed on the field scheduled for 3 games that night, and used for the first two games. Thereafter, the scoreboard will be moved to the opposite field for the remaining two games. For all games, the umpire will operate the remote control device. Following the familiarization period, other options may be considered for placement and control of the remote. In addition, the current manual scoreboards will be set up and used as backups for each game. Players will mark their own score.

Equipment Status (Ron Franck)

New jersey's and caps have been delivered. Batter's box mats will be indexed for proper placement by next week. Strike zone bats which may be curling due to storage procedures, will be painted with the white strike zone on reverse side so mat may be flipped when curling presents a tripping hazard. Morning League will be reminded that the two new pitching screens are not to be used, only the two used screens.

Rainout Make-ups and Post-season Games (Duane Carolus)

Since two of the first four game nights have been rained out, discussion was held on the option of making up lost games by adding an extra week to the summer schedule. Focus centered on post-season games, and what effect makeup's would have on lengthening the summer season and shortening the fall season. Members agreed that delaying the start of the fall season was not desirable. Accordingly, the following schedule of events was approved by unanimous voice vote. Motion by Burgess, seconded by Price. Note--no makeup's are planned except for tournament games.

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| >End of summer regular scheduled games | Monday, 7/20 |
| >Summer season playoff championship games | Wednesday, 7/22 |
| Top two teams in each division will meet in semifinal games, followed by the championship game | |
| >Double Elimination Tournament (5 play dates) | Mon, 7/27 through Mon, 8/10 |
| >Double Elimination Tournament Backup Dates | Wed, 8/12 and Mon, 8/17 |

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| >Fall Tryouts
tournament games, if necessary) | Wed, 8/12 and Mon, 8/17 (Immediately following |
| >Fall Draft | Tue, 8/18 |
| >Start of Fall Season | Wed, 8/19 |

Double Elimination Tournament. Number one seed will be team winning the summer playoffs, and will receive a 1st round bye. All remaining teams will be seeded according to overall won-lost percentage (all games). Carolus will form a tournament committee which will be responsible for organizing and directing the event. Game schedule and rules, to be published later, will essentially follow prior years' format.

Two Verses Three-Year Draft Cycle (Duke Burgess)

The discussion opened by comparing the benefits of a two-year verses the present three-year draft cycle. A robust dialogue followed with all board members offering extensive, constructive comments comparing the two alternatives. Facts, opinions and statistical data were exchanged in round table discussion. In summarizing, the majority of board members indicated general satisfaction with the present three year cycle, rather than change to a two-year cycle. In the end, the subject was tabled. No motion offered.

Player Personnel Issues (Duke Burgess)

Duke Burgess reviewed player issues including the addition of three new pool players, resignation of another and status of long-term injury players.

Umpires (Duke Burgess)

Short discussion on status of umpire complaints. Subject tabled until next meeting.

Next Board Meeting

Next meeting slated for June 9, 2015 at Pizza West.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Tworek