

# NSS Board Meeting Minutes

July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015

Board Members in attendance:

Ron Kunert	X	Duane Carolus	X
Ed Tworek	X	Duke Burgess	X
Greg West		Ron Franck	
Chuck Grubb	X	Jim Price	X
Secretary			

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Approval of June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 minutes. Motion by Jim Price and seconded by Ed Tworek to approve minutes with minor edits. Approved unanimously.

Old Business:

1. League Championship and Tournament Rules: (Duane Carolus). Championship night is set for the four teams (two from each division).

Tournament rules discussed with particular attention focused on actions needed if teams are at less than 10 players at game time. Committee of McCaw, DuVall, and McCord provided rules to the board for review. Chuck Grubb motioned to accept rules as written and seconded by Jim Price. Voice vote with majority approval; against, Duke Burgess.

Additional discussion for Duane to ensure committee members begin the seeding process and have it available to populate the brackets as soon as possible. In addition, agreed that one tournament committee member should be at the fields at all times during the event to ensure questions could be directed and answered in a prompt manner.

2. Fall Scheduling: (Duane). Once registrations are over for the Fall season (August 10<sup>th</sup>), we will be able to finalize Fall play dates. In the meantime, Duane will focus on providing drafts of 9, 10, and 11 team seasons based upon our past history.
3. Umpire Game Time Proposal: (Ron Kunert). Our chief umpire, John Rydzynski, proposed that the league consider a one hour game time and finish the inning versus our current process. Due to the lengthy discussion of the tournament rules, this has been tabled to the August 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.
4. Uniform Requirements Fall 2015: It was agreed that during the Fall 2015 season, new team hats will be provided to new players only.

**New Business:**

- 1. Status of Umpires: (All).** After a visit by Chief Umpire John Rydzynski at the June meeting, the board revisited umpire performance and concerns along with the board's observations of the present season and future. The board spent a bit of time sharing opinions on each of the previous topics and included a brainstorming session of alternatives in the event the league loses our current lineup of umpires due to attrition or resignation. Jim Price will visit with the City of LaVista for possible options. Duke to have a conversation with Ultimate Baseball Academy regarding possible replacements to have on standby.
- 2. Pool Players: (Duke Burgess).** While our league is unique in allowing pool players into the mix, it does present a challenge at times for team strength and the potential for people to only participate as a pool player. We agreed that permanent team players is the desired outcome.
- 3. Athletics Manager (Duke):** The manager of the Athletics will be moving out of the area very soon. Milt Scurlock has offered to be manager of the team and the board unanimously approved him for the job during the Fall 2015 season.
- 4. Non-players in Dugout:** Due to recent incidents in both the Mon/Wed NSS League and the Friday morning league, Nebraska Senior Softball will be enforcing the guideline that no one will be allowed to remain in the dugout that is not a player and/or has not signed a liability waiver.

**Motion to adjourn at 9:16 pm. Unanimous approval vote.**

**Next meeting:**

**August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Location: Pizza West. Time: 6:30 pm.**