

NSS Board Meeting Minutes

June 19th, 2016

Board Members in attendance:

Board Members			
X	Ron Kunert	Duane Carolus	X
X	Ed Tworek	Ron Franck	X
X	Chuck Grubb	Jim Price	X
X	George Scott	Paul Hamel	
Others in Attendance			
X	Kathleen DuVall	Rick DuVall	X
X	Steve Bessey	Dave Janda	X

Meeting called to order at 6:27PM

Approval of March 21, 2016 Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes made by Chuck, seconded by Duane and unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Purchasing, Inventory, and Equipment – Ron Franck

Update on the selling of the used game softballs.

Listed on eBay. Sold 9 dozen with 5 more ready to go with about a 75% recovery rate. Shipping took some of the recovery rate down but it was significantly reduced due to Ed getting a deal on the shipping with FedEx.

Will keep any that don't sell until next year and try selling again.

Modification of the Liability Release Statement – Ron Franck

Ron brought samples of the old statement and examples of the new proposed statements.

The statement will need to be signed before registration is accepted with the player indicating that they have read it as well as the rules. Chuck to make an adjustment to the web site for players to check off that they have done both.

The decision was made to use the **existing** statement with an amendment to direct the players to review the rules and sign off.

Motion made by Ed to accept the **existing** statement with the proposed amendment. Duane seconded the motion. The vote to approve was unanimous.

Board Rotation – Chuck Grubb

Kathleen read the minutes from the April meeting to refresh everyone's memories.

The decision was made to table this item and remove from the agenda indefinitely.

New Business:

Reschedule of the All-Star Game at TD Ameritrade Park – Chuck Grubb

Chuck working with representatives from NCAA and Ameritrade. Dates given to us were reviewed by Chuck to eliminate those that were league or tournament days. Those that were left did not work for either the OPD/OFD so there are new dates in September proposed. Chuck will continue to work to define the date. At the time that a date is determined, if there are players that are not able to participate, the Board will determine if there are still enough player to field the teams before opening it to those who did not originally sign up.

Home Run Derby bat and a box of goodies are being sent to Chuck.

Championship Game Format – Ed Tworek

Ed had proposed the game format via email to the Board. They included:

Two top teams in each division

Option one: Semi-final vertically played within the division

Option two: Semi-final played cross-division

Option three: Select the top 2 from each division based on record and seed with teams (1 vs. 4 and 2 vs. 3) using the criteria as outlined in the determination of a tie-breaker below.

Ed was recommending the third option.

Motion made by Ed to use Option three as presented above. Seconded by George. Unanimous decision.

Determination of a tie-breaker – Ed Tworek

Ed started the discussion to formalize the process to determine what criteria will be used to determine the winner of a tie.

Motion by Chuck to use the following criteria, in this order:

1. Win/loss percentage
2. Head to head competition
3. Intra-division win/loss
4. Fewest average runs allowed

Motion seconded by Jim.

Voting - unanimous

Options for managing weather delayed games – Ed Tworek

When there is a weather delay with no reason to cancel (such as when there is heat index issues or lightening), is there a way to resume play which would still allow the completion of all the games? This would apply only if games had already started for the evening and the games, once resumed, cannot pick up where they left off and still complete around the normal time (11:00). Ed presented the following ways to continue the games:

1. Cancel games that started late but play the rest that still fit within the time frame to complete by 11:00
2. Cancel games that have started and those that have not.
3. Play the rest of the games on a shortened time frame
 - a. Using the one pitch option. This may result in many walks.
 - b. Use a 2 and 2 count with no courtesy which will give at least two pitches.
 - c. Play six outs at a time.
 - d. Straight five inning game.
 - e. 45 minute clock and no extra inning.

Ed's recommendation would be the 2 and 2 count with no courtesy and six outs at a time. He indicated that they could add a 45 minute clock but that might not necessarily be needed. Ed talked with Paul who agreed with the recommendation but would like to add back in the courtesy ball.

The Board discussed other items that included who would make the decision, what time the decision will need to be made by and how it will be communicated to the players.

The Board decided that this is going to be tested at the game on Wednesday, July 20th and then a decision will be made at a later time whether to implement as proposed, amend the recommendation or not to accept the recommendation.

Fall League Items – George Scott

The previously proposed registration dates were from 7/15 to 8/19. Since we have missed the beginning date, we need to amend them. George proposed the following new dates: 7/25 – 8/15

Player registration fee would be \$65.00.

Chuck to work with Paul on the registration form, both paper and on the web site.

It was decided that 6:30 and 7:45 would be the times for the championship game with the option to start the 7:45 game early if possible.

The Board discussed who to determine who the home team is during the championship. The consensus is that will be the higher seed team. Championship game will be played Field 3.

George brought up a discussion about who will supply the shirt. It has been three years since the last call for bids. Request made to seek competitive bids. Ron will ensure that we will go through a competitive bidding process for next year's jerseys.

The motion to adjourn made by Duane and seconded by Ron. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

Next meeting: August 9, 2015 @ 6:30 PM

Location: Pizza West