

March Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2017

Affirmation of Quorum

Board Members

President; Larry Pardi, 834-1105 – lpardi@sbcglobal.net

Vice President; Paul Woodland,

Treasurer; Tom Marking, (Absent)

Secretary; Roy Willis,

Commissioner; Jay (Buzz) Johnson

Members or Affiliates Present

Pat Wagner, Gary Markegard, Dave Wynn, Jon Japport

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

There was a motion to approve the February minutes by Gary Markegard and seconded by Buzz Johnson. Approved.

Approval of Financial Report

Members present discuss the blending of funds from the traveling teams and the Association. Board ask Buzz to meet with Tom to better review the process and present a better understanding at the April meeting. Motion to accept report by Gary Markegard seconded by Paul Woodland. Approved.

Report of Commissioner

The Commissioner reported he has been holding practice at the Cooper Clutch at 8th & R Streets, Eureka at 12:00 pm every Wednesday weather permitting. There has been good participation.

The Commissioner brought in a wood bat that had a 2 5/8" barrel compared to a 2 1/2" barrel to discuss if they are legal for our league. He will look into the requirements and present them at the next meeting.

Old Business

- Banner
 - Pat Wagner present a new banner and that one is presently displayed at the Pierson Office on West Harris St. However it can only be there for a two weeks periods before it must be removed for a week.

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- Pat also developing smaller posters to be placed in stores and business around the county. If anyone has a location they should contact Pat to get copies or print the attached.
- The members reviewed the proposed 2017 Schedule. A motion from Gary Markegard to approve the schedule which was seconded by Paul Woodland. The schedule was approved.
- Discussion around lowering the eligibility age to recruit new players. Buzz made a motion to modify the league rules to allow 58 year old players into the league but only a maximum of two per team. It was determine to allow the members to vote on this rule change at the General meeting in April.

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- Discussion around Umpires for the season. President reminded the members present the decision made at the February meeting to have team managers at each game determine how to Umpire the games.
- Discussed having an At-Bat count starting 1 ball and 1 strike to speed up the games. This was determined it not to be a major concern but may be voted on at General meeting.

New Business

- Discussed around moving the monthly Board meeting to 6:00pm from 7:00pm on the first Wednesday of each month. There was a motion by Gary Markegard to hold the monthly meeting starting at 6:00pm except for the General meeting in April which will remain at 7:00pm. Seconded by Buzz and approved.
- Discussed having Players Wavier forms turned in **before or at** the May 3rd Meeting. The League Constitution requires 14 days before league play starts. This adjustment would allow for the ease and handling of the forms this year. A motion to allow turning in waver at the May 3rd meeting was made by Gary Markegard and seconded by Buzz and approved by the members present. As this does not comply with the existing Constitution it cannot be a blanket change and only applies to this season.

- **Constitution**

ARTICLE IV, MEMBERSHIP AND PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Section 1. Membership:

(g) Managers shall provide signed release forms to the Secretary at least 14 days prior to the start of scheduled League play and, if additions are made anytime thereafter, at least 24 hours prior to a new player participating in scheduled League play.

- Pat Wagner presented information developed by a former player Walt Kelly that outline possible improvements to the league. Each member present took a copy for review and future discussion.
- Commissioner Buzzy suggested we establish post season practices. This was tabled for future discussion.
- Paul Woodland stated he and other members will be going to various venues around the county where seniors may be present to solicit new player. Anyone interested in participating should contact Paul.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

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