

June Meeting minutes

June 7, 2017

Affirmation of Quorum

Board Members

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

Vice President; Paul Woodland, Present

Treasurer; Tom Marking, Absent

Secretary; Roy Willis, rbwillisii@gmail.com Present

Commissioner; Jay (Buzz) Johnson, Present

Members or Affiliates Present

Pat Wagner, Gary Markegard, Mike Carroll, Richard Marks

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- There was a motion to approve the April minutes by Gary Markegard and seconded by Pat Wagner. Approved.

Approval of Financial Report

- Larry Pardi presented Tom Marking reports beginning balance of \$2812.04 and ending balance \$4669.84. It was determined there should be adequate funds for the season. Gary Markegard made a motion to approve and seconded by Paul Woodland. Approved.

Report of Commissioner

- The Commissioner presented an Un-recruited player to be drafted by a team. The process for a new player placement was followed based on last season's standing results. The new player was offered to those managers' presents based on their teams 2016 standings. The new player was drafted by the Eureka Trading Company Relics. Pat will make contact with the new player.

Old Business

- Discussed that the storage sheds and Porta-potties are not always being locked up after the games. It is very important that we lock these items as equipment could be lost and the restroom be vandalized. The board members asked all Managers and team members to make sure this are secured after the games.
- Richard Marks presented a proposal for a HCSSA sponsored Tournament. Richard presented various types of tournaments with their expected expenses. Paul Woodland made a motion to organize a 2017 tournament which was seconded by Richard Marks. Discussion around when to hold a tournament as most HCSSA Player may not be available after the season. Also discussed was the potential to invite out of area teams to participate. The motion was approved and Richard Marks and Paul Woodland will develop a proposal to present to the

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Board. The proposal is expected to schedule the tournament late July or the first weekend in August. The proposal might include inviting out of the area teams but all 2017 HCSSA rules will be followed. It is expected that not all HCSSA Teams will participate but the possibility to blend or substitute players from various HCSSA teams is welcomed.

New Business

- Discussion about how to address the May 16th games that were rained out. A motion by Buzzy Johnson to only have makeup games if there are impacts to the season standings, (Standing will be used for drafting Un-recruited players in 2018). Motion was seconded by Gary Markegard and the Approved on a 5 to 2 vote.
- Roy Wills presented a concern with the need to standardize the waivers used. The concern is that there are various forms being used from different teams with different requested information and text. A request was also made if we could also combine the Pitching waiver and Player waiver to one form. Roy took an action to develop a form for the 2018 season and preset to the Board at the July meeting.
- Discussion concerning Players that may want to play and have signed the release waiver but have a health concern or a high potential for a major injury. The hazards of the league are outlined in the waiver that all players must sign with the understanding there is the possibility of injury. But the discussion was around the leagues responsibility to possibly step-in when they observe a high possibility of injury. The question is; Should the league not allow players that are most likely to be injured or have major health concerns. As we are a senior league with Player in the late 70s how do we judge? The league wants to allow all eligible comers to play and depends on them to manage themselves. This was tabled and will be discussed further at the July meeting.
- The Board is attempting to keep track for game scores and 2017 season standings. The original request was to have the Home team Manager call in the game scores to the Commissioner who would forward them to the Secretary. The process be used is some Managers are emailing the game scored directly to the Secretary. This actually is working well as the Secretary can timely update the web page standing. However, all Manager are not transmitting the scores after the games. The Board decided to have the scores sent to the Secretary and asking all Manager to make an effort to supply them timely after the games to rbwillisii@gmail.com .
- There was discussion about developing a Facebook page for the HCSSA. Paul Woodland took an action to do this. The Facebook page will be linked off the HCSSA Web page. The Board is asking the Manager to inform their team members about the Web page. This is a good resource for League information like season schedule, team rosters, standings, Board meeting minutes and more. <http://www.humboldtseiorsoftball.org/home>
- Discussion about pitching height not being controlled. The rule calls any pitch that is lower than 6 feet and over 12 feet is a ball. But dead ball needs to be called out by the Umpire

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during the pitch. In most cases this is not being done. The Board is asking the Managers to have their Pitcher to try to pitch within the limits. With the Games not having official Umpires this limitation is not being managed.

- The 2017 season decision to have manager determine how the game will be umpired before the game is started needs to be communicate to all player. If the catcher and base coaches are given this responsibility they need understand their role and the rules.
- If members want to receive the league emails please contact the Secretary at;

(707)822-3034 or by email rbwillisii@gmail.com .

Meeting adjourned 07:25 PM