



Minutes of the June 8, 2021 Board Meeting

Call to Order

Joe Passoni, President called the meeting of the **SSSA** to order at 2:30 pm on June 8, 2021 at the softball field.

Roll Call:

The following persons were present:

Joe Passoni - President, Tony Lulek - Vice-President, George Corrick - Treasurer, Directors: Ed Cussick, , Chuck Kill, Dave Fortis and Steve Pede.

Guests present were John Reingruber Bob Chiarello and Dennis Marchand.

Approval of Minutes from March 2021

The minutes of the last board meeting were approved.

Treasurers Report - George

- In May we had \$1,150 in Income and \$4,700 in Expenses for a monthly loss of about\$3,600. Major expenses were Fertilizer and Spraying of \$875, D & O insurance of \$1,529, and three years Web hosting for \$455. The report was unanimously approved as presented.

Old Business

- **Sponsorships** – There was a discussion on Banners and Sponsorships. The Commitment date for sponsorships will be 10/1.
- **Field Maintenance** – There was a discussion regarding laser leveling and repairing the infield. The Board unanimously voted to spend \$2,400 to have the infield laser leveled and \$3,500 to have to infield repaired. The item was included in the original 2021 budget.
- **CTS** – Bob Chiarello discussed the CTS for the Summer season. After much discussion, it was agreed that the Summer session will begin on 7/5 and end on 9/24. There will be a two week break from 7/19-7/30 to work on the infield.
- **Labor Day Tournament** – The Board agreed to have a Labor Day Tournament. All Monday games on Labor Day will be cancelled.

- **New Business**

- **Rules of Play** – Board had a discussion regarding rules of play. It was agreed to emphasize all base runners must do their best to avoid contact with any defending player at any base. Our position is very clear, safety first.
- **Managers Clinic** - Peter will coordinate a Manager's Clinic to assist on recruiting and training veteran and new managers.
- **SSSA Facilities Repair** - Board had a discussion on how to handle any major repairs to our facilities, i.e. roof repairs or replacement. Brad Jones agrees to obtain an inspection of the roofs and get an estimate of how much we may need to spend in repairs and/or replacement in the next few years.
- **Tie Breaker Rule** – Board voted 4-3 to return, effective the Summer Season, to the USA Rule of play which we have used for many years until recently, regarding an extra inning. If a game is tied after 7 innings, we will play an extra inning with a runner placed at 2nd for both teams. If the game is still tied after 8 innings, the game ends in a tie.
- **New game Ball** – Board agreed unanimously that there will be a new ball used for every game. In addition, if the umpire feels that a ball has been seriously damaged during the game a new ball will be put into play.
- **Wall of Honor** - There was a discussion regarding the Wall of Honor. And it was agreed that the Board will meet in Executive session to discuss.
- **Rec League Issues** - Board had a discussion about the Rec league sub rules. The Board confirmed that the Rec league will be allowed to sub up to 12 players for each team. Bob Chiarello will prepare a list of players who will be allowed to play in the Rec League. Steve will only be able to choose subs only from this list.
- **Heat Consideration** - It was agreed that if managers agree before the start of a game, based on heat considerations, that a game could be shorten from 9 innings to 7 innings. The Board decided that it's each individual's responsibility to decide how many games they prefer to play.
- **7 vs 9 inning games.** It was agreed that if managers agree before the start of a game, based on heat considerations, that a game could be shorten from 9 innings to 7 innings.
- **Pitching Screen** – There was a discussion regarding lowering the screen to 6 feet. There was a tie vote. Ed Cussick will be contacted to vote on the issue to break the tie.

- **Adjournment:**

President Joe Passoni adjourned the meeting at 4:30 PM.
Minutes submitted by Chuck Kill June 9,2021