

SSSA Board Meeting January 9, 2024 3:30pm

Present: Phil Cavicchia, Paul Auster, George Corrick Chuck Kill, Barry Emmons, Rick Ervin, Bill Webster.

Also: Debbie Seguin, Harold Weinenger, and Dennis Purcell.

- Phil C.-2024 Budget. George went over the 2024 budget. Board approved the budget, now to be approved by the members.
- Phil C.-Annual meeting to be on Monday January 29th at 5:30pm. Site will be communicated when locked in.
- Phil C.-December board meeting minutes approved.
- Phil C.-Activities Fair. Chuck explained he needs help manning the table. Fair is Saturday January 20th.
- Phil C.- Sponsors. Paul still has 4 outstanding sponsors who have not paid for 2024. 4 possible sponsors were brought up, OVCN Church, Fairway Air, Comcast/Xfinity, Quality Auto Body. Paul will follow up.
- Phil C.-All future board meetings will be on the first Thursday of each month at 1:30.
- Phil C.-Don Gentner will be the head of the Rules Committee.
- Phil C.-Explained the change to the Sidewinder league. From 3 teams of 10 to 2 teams of 15. Players wanted this due to many possible subs. They will play one 9 inning game and will be slotted for 2 hours, starting at 9am. This brings the Wednesday community game start from 12 noon down to 11am. The board voted to waive the CTS procedure under Team selection #4, which states Sidewinder teams will be built with up to 13 players and allow the 15.
- Phil C.-Peter put the new balls bought by the previous board in the equipment room. Phil will move those balls to his garage.
- Paul-Discussed the SSUSA rule change to players' feet in the batters' box. Where if the back foot is in front of the plate when the ball is hit, will be called out. The board has chosen at this time to not invoke this rule. We will look further into this rule.
- Paul-Batters' box dimensions go from 4ft wide to 3ft wide to comply with SSUSA rules.
- Paul-Need someone to take the role of tournament sponsor recruiter.
- Rick-We should have a project to improve our facilities. Suggestions needed.
- Phil C.-Introduced members of the CTS.
- Bill W.-Will look into have a streaming camera on the field for weather issues, game times and practices.
- Dennis-Members he has talked with are in favor of getting some sort of visual streaming to help with the above issues.
- Phil C.-Next board meeting will be Thursday February 1st at 1:30 at Mountain View.
- Meeting ended at 5pm.