

SaddleBrooke Senior Softball Board of Directors Meeting December 12, 2024 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 PM. Present were Philip Cavicchia, Paul Auster, George Corrick, Barry Emmons, Bill Webster, Chuck Kill and Rick Ervin. Guest present was Mark Adolph.

-November Meeting Minutes – The minutes were accepted as is.

-Review November '24 Treasurer's Report – We got four new players this month. 7 sponsors paid their dues. Veterans Day tournament donations came to \$769. There was a large uniform income and expense this month due to the sunsetting of the grey jerseys. Building water was up a bit due to the leak that has now been fixed. 2 new pitching screens were purchased.

-Sponsorship Update – 51 sponsors have confirmed. 4 payments are outstanding. 3 new sponsors have been identified are in the works. 2025 plaques have been delivered to those wanting them. (7 do not want)

-Rules Changes - 1) The question of fast pitches was discussed again. Phil to send a member note that it is at the umpire's discretion to enforce.
2) Allowing competitive bats for Rec league members over 85 was approved in November and will be included with other proposed changes.
3) Allowing 12 defensive players for the rec league (rover and 5th outfielder) when there are enough players on both teams. Some discussion was had on its merits but a vote was deferred to January so the league commissioner can provide her opinion.
4) A definition of practice times for members and non-members. A vote was called by George and seconded by Paul. Approved unanimously. Barry will make a slight verbiage change and forward for the board to review before it's posted.
5) Drop the Medical Exception from Uniform Rule 3.4 to align, and not conflict, with the Release of Liability Waiver as recommended by the rules review consultant. The 6 board members present approved the change. (Rick Ervin had to leave).

-New Board of Directors – Since only one candidate ran for the 3 open positions, no member vote was needed. The 2024 Board unanimously approved the three candidates.

-2025 Budget – The prelim draft budget was discussed at length. Most items were based on 2024 actuals plus a bump for inflation. Barry to provide input on the Uniform expense and income assumptions to George.

Barry will create a Field Maintenance Summary to encourage Daniel to breakdown his consulting invoices by the various budget line items to allow George to properly allocate the expenses in the financial files and reports.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:00
Submitted by Barry Emmons