

CAPE COD SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE
MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 9, 2017 MEETING
HARWICH COMMUNITY CENTER

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Cutler, John Hession, Mike McCluskey, Dave Noonan, Van Khachadoorian, Commissioner Terry Moran. Attending via phone connection Ben Caswell and Ron Scarborough

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike McCarthy, Bill Prodgers

Meeting Called to Order by Commissioner Moran at 10:06 A.M.

Meeting Minutes – Motion by Hession to approve the November 4th meeting minutes. Seconded by Noonan. **Motion carried**

Treasurer’s Report – John Hession: **Motion by** Khachadoorian to accept the treasurer’s report. Seconded by Noonan. **Motion carried.**

Board Business and Reports:

1. Division Presidents’ Reports

Division 1 – Ron Scarborough. Nothing new to report; currently recruiting managers.
Division 3 – Van Khachadoorian – Nothing new to report, also recruiting managers.
Division 2 – Mike McCarthy (absent) Terry reported that player ratings have been reviewed and that 4 managers are returning.

2. Fall and Dome League Report – Mike McCluskey

For the Fall League 90 signed up, as time went on numbers attending declined, but the opt in opt out worked very well. Dome play started Monday and 15 attended and 20 yesterday (12 not from CCSL). In order to keep the fees down, Mike would like to donate some of the Cape Save monies to subsidize the fees. Mike sent out an Informal Survey (his email list) are you a 1) Softball junkie, 2) Snowbird, 3) Seasonal 4) Travel ballers: 25 out of the 40 that responded played year-round. It gave a small snapshot of who some of our players are and their levels of interest. Van felt that surveys should come before the board so that there is input from Board members.

3. Other Committee Reports: Rules Committee report from Charlie Salerno (read by Terry) he will give full report when he returns. They are updating the table of contents of the Rule Book so that it actually coincides with the page number of the said rule. The pitching screens will be kept. The screens need repair work, Terry will work with Charlie to do an inventory of what is needed.

4. League Assignments and Vacancies – Terry Moran

Umpire Coordinator is a big need. **Mike McCluskey volunteered.** Pool Player Administrator also a need and there are other needs.

5. **2018 Applications** – 63 have applied thus far.
6. **Proposed Bylaw Change Discussion** - Moran
Article IV Meetings: part B: strike “April through November” Van K, so moved, seconded John H. **Motion carries.**
Article V Elections part A: Nominating committee, appointed by the **Board of Directors**, strike Board of Directors and replace with the **Commissioner**. ..also strike “in the league newsletter” and leave “on the web-site”. **Van so Moves.** Seconded by Noonan. **Motion Carries.**
Articles VI and VII parts A: strike **Secretary** both Articles. **John H. so Moves.** Seconded by Van K. **Motion carries.**
Any other proposed amendments, get to Terry. Just a note: Terry Moran suggested that **The Mid-Season Meeting** not be held, instead we will meet with the managers regarding player concerns and information exchange.
7. **Proposed Policy Change Discussion** – Moran
Anyone who has policy recommendations please get them to Terry so that we can began the discussion at the next meeting.
8. **Open Session:** Did the Rules Committee develop the “request form” yet? Have managers returned all uniforms? Terry said we are still missing a few, he will get the list to Bob Breault. Is the Player placement policy adopted? i.e. Is it “cleaned up” because last year there were issues. Terry said that the Board has adopted a player placement policy that indicates who is eligible to play in a different division.
9. **Suggestion Box** – nothing new
10. **Round Table:**
Peter Cutler –We are looking to have 6 teams in each division that = 240 players; if we get more than that number do we have a contingency plan? Add new teams? Add a new division? Change the ages? Terry said that we need further discussion, but it comes down to who can play in the morning/evening. We have the fields to handle whatever the numbers.
Mike McCluskey’s wife wants to start a yoga call for players, we need to see If the facility is available and/or if there is a cost for the room.
Van Khachadoorian -there is some potential out there for a Division 4. Terry said bring the names and we’ll see what we can do. Could we revisit the rule stipulating the number o innings each player must play, at least for division 3? Go to Rules Committee. Banquet date set for September 26th, 2018. Same place as this year. 5P.M.

Ron Scarborough policy regarding black shorts? I believe we are wasting money by providing the shorts/pants. Policy should be done away with. Terry: Only new player will receive them this year. We will take your thoughts under consideration.

Ben Caswell last year a letter was sent out asking members if they would play in a Division 4, it was not communicated well. We could work on this and clarify the communication regarding reestablishing a division 4. Regarding the Pool Player Policy – equity and fairness must be at the forefront of this policy.

11. Adjourn Regular Meeting 11:24 A.M.

Next Meeting: January 13, 2018 10:00PM

Minutes submitted by: Judy Kennedy, Recording Secretary