

## Cape Cod Senior Softball Board of Directors Meeting February 24, 2022 (via zoom)

Members present: Wayne Draeger, John Hession, Peter Cutler, Peter Strand, Jim Gunning, Michael Barry, Ben Caswell, Jim Gresis, William Eagan and Peter Strand.  
Absent: Bob Callahan and Bill Prodgers. Guests: Van Khachadoorian, Charlie Salerno.

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Wayne Draeger at 9:00 am

### **Secretary's Report:-All**

Corrections to the BOD meeting of 12/9/2021 were as follows:

- Ben Caswell's name on page 2 under Comments/Questions was misspelled
- Under motion made by Bob Callahan and seconded by Bill Eagan on page 3 Mike Barry noted the length of base paths should have been listed as 65 and 70 feet.
- On page 3, under the report for Saturday Optional ball given by Mike Barry it was noted that the "Mike" referred to as contacting the town in this report is Mike McCluskey.

Motion to accept the minutes as amended by Bill Eagan, Seconded by Peter Strand and passed unanimously.

At this point in the meeting Wayne suspended the agenda in order for Van to give his report so he could leave the meeting for another appointment.

### **Capital Projects Report:-Van**

Van reported that a number of meetings by the Harwich Recreation Committee could not be held due to Covid and lack of quorum issues but that the Commission finally met on February 15, 2022 and accepted in principle the plans of the CCSSL to develop the softball field behind the Community Center known as Bassett field for use by the league at a cost to the League of \$5000.00 with the understanding that that number may increase slightly depending on the cost of materials at the time of construction. He stated the tentative timeline for the construction would be November 2022 depending on the Highway Department's schedule. Final approval should become available at the next meeting of the Commission when the head of the Highway Department would be available to attend.

Van also reported that an additional shed for housing CCSSL equipment at Bassett could be purchased from Pine Harbor Wood Products for a cost of \$3500.00. The estimated cost for an outfield fence is \$2,700 - \$3,000.

Additionally, he had contacted Cape Tech to see if their Carpentry Department could construct shade shelters for Memorial field. He stated that they could do the work but not until possibly April. The cost of the two structures would be approximately \$4000.00 each for the materials. There would be no charge for the student's labor as it is part of their curriculum. Van said the major problem in the proposal is that the 3<sup>rd</sup> base side of the field would have to be leveled before construction could begin.

Van noted the funds for these two items would come from the Doc Seigal bequest and from an anonymous donor who has indicated they are interested in making a donation to the league.

**Treasurer's Report-** John Hession

The agenda was reinstated and John Hession reviewed the current treasurer's report (see attached) Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Bill Eagan and seconded by Peter Cutler and approved unanimously.

**Audit Report:** John Hession announced that an Audit Committee composed of Ed Jay and Peter Cutler reviewed the 2021 CCSSL accounts and presented a favorable report. Peter Strand moved to accept the Auditor's Report, Seconded by Jim Gresis and passed unanimously. The report can be viewed in its entirety on line.

**Playing Fees:** The playing fees established by the Board via electronic voting set the cost of playing in our league for the 2022 season at: \$150.00 for regular player but with a \$25.00 discount offered to all players who sign up prior to March 1<sup>st</sup> 2022. All new players and players who play in the Pool and Travel teams and players who play in the Master's and Travel teams will pay \$125.00. Additionally, Masters only players will be charged \$30.00 and pool only players only will be charged \$60.00. Mike Barry moved to accept the fee structure for the 2022 season, seconded by Peter Cutler and passed unanimously.

The playing fees for the 2022 season originally included a comment that there may possibly be a surcharge for Division 1 players so they could have paid umpires. This caused concern among the board so a committee was established composed of Bill Eagan, Jim Gresis, Jim Gunning and Peter Cutler to discuss how or if this charge should be implemented. They will report back at the next meeting of the board.

**Permanent Committees:** Wayne noted that the bylaws require Board approval for all permanent committees: He presented the following for approval as permanent committee chairs:

Parliamentarian: Charles Salerno (**side note:** this is not really a committee just an advisor to the Commissioner on proper bylaws and meeting rules procedures)

Bylaws: Charles Salerno

Classic Tournament: Bob Kemple

Insurance: Tom Radziewicz

Motion to accept the appointments made by Bill Eagan, seconded by Peter Strand and approved unanimously.

**Budget:** John Hession presented a proposed budget for the 2022 season. After some discussion Bill Eagan moved to accept the budget, seconded by Ben Caswell and approved unanimously. (See attached)

**Cape Cod Times:** Ben Caswell noted that it was getting close to the time that we have to determine our Evaluation Dates so that an display add could be placed in the Cape Cod Times soliciting new players.

**Exercise Program:** Bill Eagan proposed an exercise program to help players get ready for the upcoming season as well as keeping fit as a way of reducing injuries. He suggested that the program could be held in the gym of the Harwich Community center. He asked that the league consider purchasing exercise mats for the center at a cost of about \$200.00 per mat. The board asked Bill to return to the recreation director to see if the center could purchase the mats.

**Next Meeting:** Wayne stated that the next meeting of the BOD will be held on March 24, 2022 at 9:00 am. It will be a zoom meeting. He expects reports from the Policies and Rules Committees to be presented at that meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:29 am was made by Bill Eagan, seconded by Peter Strand and passed unanimously.

Respectively Submitted,  
Charles A. Salerno  
Acting Secretary