

# CAPE COD SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING JANUARY 8, 2021

### HARWICH COMMUNITY CENTER

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mike Barry, Bob Callahan, Peter Cutler, Jim Gresis, Brian Hastings, Jay Houser, John Hession Terry Moran (Immediate Past Commissioner), Bill Prodgers, and Commissioner Van Khachadoorian

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ben Caswell (LOA), and Peter Strand

**Meeting Called to Order** by Commissioner Khachadoorian at 12 Noon

In the absence of Ben Caswell, the Commissioner appointed Peter Cutler to temporarily chair the Structure Committee. Ben will continue to participate in committee work and will continue to have a vote. The Board agreed with the commissioner's decision.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Hession to approve minutes of 11/23/2020 Board Meeting. Seconded by Cutler. Motion passed to accept Minutes.

**Treasurer's Report:** Hession

John shared the letter of thanks from the Family Pantry of CC for the \$1000 donation that the league made in December. The Budget for 2021 is being worked on.

Ed Jay and Peter Cutler conducted the audit and found that all was in order

**Motion by** Callahan to accept the Treasurers report, seconded by Prodgers. Motion passed.

### LEAGUE MATTERS

#### 1. Committee Reports:

- **By-Laws** – Moran  
Articles V, VI, IX and XVI as they now exist, proposed update and rationale for update was presented. No action to be taken at this time, as Board members must read and consider proposed changes
- **Policy** – Moran  
Nothing to report at this time
- **Applications** – Moran  
71 applications at this time  
A reminder will be sent out
- **Structure** – Cutler  
Today I just want affirmation that the league does want an ability based structure, **Motion by** Callahan to go with ability/age based league by division. S  
Seconded by Hession. **Motion passes** with 1 dissent.

- **Sponsors** – Hanafee  
At this time we have 14 sponsors who have committed. Waiting for responses from 5 other sponsors
- **Umpires** – Salerno  
Division 1 will have paid umpires. For this upcoming season, Jay Hauser’s business will pay for these umpires (this will be in the form of a donation to the League). This will be considered a “trial run”.  
Keith Fluker has been instrumental in putting us in touch with certified umpires. The cost for these umpires will not be nearly as expensive as those from Senior Softball USA.  
We are looking at options regarding training sessions for umpires this year. The umpires that we did pay last year (from our league – Classic), four of them turned the money back to the league (total cost \$400)  
Question to ask our insurance agent “are the independent contracted umpires covered by insurance in case they are injured?”
- **Potential Game Fields Usage 2021** – Salerno  
Awaiting the field liability certificates.  
Charlie handed out a **potential** field usage plan for each division. More discussion on this potential set up will follow.
- **Publicity/Recruitment** – Barry  
Goal – 6 teams per division.  
The usual methods of publicity/recruitment will continue to be used; i.e. fliers, posters, newspapers, business cards, local TV and word of mouth.  
We could also look at past rosters and call individuals who have left and find out if they have any interest in returning.  
Posters/fliers and an information table could be set up at golf courses.  
Facebook is another way to interest people in our league, as long as it is kept current.  
Mike also suggested giving a gift card to a player who recruited a new player.  
**Motion by** Barry to give a \$25 gift to (finder’s fee) a player who recruits a new player. Seconded Houser. **Motion passed without dissent.** It would be a nice jester to get the gift cards from our sponsors.

## 2. Division Presidents Report

- Cassidy (D-1) - Houser: 5 Managers are in place. The PEAC names are ready for Board approval. Jay is reaching out to players reminding them to send in their application.
- Simpson (D-2) – Hastings: our 5 manages met and rated players. 86 players are ready to play.

- Winnet (D-3) – Gresis: I have 5 people who are willing to be mangers
- Rose (D-3) – Strand: absent
- Masters – Producers: We need people!

3. **Covid – Safety Protocols 2021** – Hastings

The committee held a zoom meeting 1/5 and will zoom again 1/12 to discuss and update existing protocols.

It is a given that protocols will be adjusted according to government mandates.

It was agreed that testing and vaccines are not a requirement to play in 2021.

4. **Approval/Vote:** PEACs

Division 1 PEAC: Larry Knaupp, Tom Gionfriddo, Ken Ponte, and Keith Fluker

**Motion to accept** Division 1 PEAC. Seconded. **Motion passes without dissent.**

Division 2 PEAC: Ed Donahue, Ben Caswell, Chuck Hilton, Ed Jay and Bob Kemple

**Motion to accept** Division 2 PEAC. Seconded. **Motion passes without dissent.**

Division 3 PEAC: TBD

Division 4 PEAC: Hank Bowen, Dick Rembisz and Jim DeVoe.

**Motion to accept** Division 4 PEAC. Seconded. **Motion passes without dissent.**

**Next Meeting: TBA**

**Motion to adjourn by Producers. Meeting adjourned at 2:50 PM**

Minutes submitted by: Judy Kennedy, Recording Secretary