**Agenda**

**LVSSA BOARD MEETING – 12 Sept 2019 – at Skinny Dugans 11:00am**

**Call to Order @ \_11:12 am\_**

**Roll Call:** President Laurie Buchman   \_X\_ Vice President Robert Beyer  \_X\_ CEO Jim Whipple \_X\_             65+ George Kuehnel \_\_ 65-Rod Adams \_X\_ Ladies Freiheit \_X\_ Tournament Rep Garth Courtney \_X\_

Felix Mendiola \_\_ Bill Patton \_X\_

**Total Votes** \_6\_\_

**Visitors Participation** - **0**

**Agenda - Jim Whipple**  **Reports Emailed, Motion to amend & approve \_Patton\_ 2nd \_Beyer\_ For\_6\_ Against \_0\_**

**President’s Report:** Laurie spoke of contacting news media for Tournament coverage. Article in RJ North/Downtown Editions. Channel 13 tv is preparing a piece on tournament.

**Minutes:** Jim Whipple **Motion to accept Patton 2nd Courtney For\_6\_ against \_0\_ passed**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Tournament /SSUSA Relations** - Garth - Vendors, Permit - Field Usage # of Teams: Cheyenne vendor in place, SSUSA has denied using any additional locals or LVSSA member in fear of those people working for other organizations. Discussed additional equipment needed, LVSSA Directors coverage, meeting with Loosebrook on equipment.

Need to respond to SSUSA for lack of action from prior meeting to include rescinding mutual agreement regarding vendor, not being included on permits resulting in potential insurance issue for members, difficulty adding non competing vendor. Garth asked to send as info only and not require response. Whipple supplied requirements for LVSSA insurance to be in effect. Garth responded with info provided by SSUSA that all LVSSA members, workers and contractors are covered. Tournament meeting coverage reviewed.

LVSSA Director **9/19 Whipple/Patton 9/23 Whipple/Adams 9/27 Whipple/Adams 10/3 Whipple/Adams**

**9/20 Whipple/Patton 9/24 Whipple/Adams 9/28 Whipple/Adams 10/4 Whipple/Adams**

**9/21 Courtney 9/25 Whipple/Adams 9/29 Whipple/Adams 10/5 Whipple/Adams**

**9/22 Whipple/Patton 9/26Whipple/Adams 10/6 Whipple/Adams**

 Meetings Boulder **9/18 9:00 am Courtney, Whipple, Mendiola 5 - 7 pm Whipple 7 pm Patton**

 **9/22 7:00 pm Patton 9/26 7:00 pm Mendiola 10/2 7:00 pm Mendiola**

 Opening Ceremonies **BLD 9/23 Noon President Buchman, Whipple**

 **BLD 10/5 12:30 Buchman, Whipple**

 SSUSA Dinner 9/29 6:00 pm TBA All Board of Directors and spouses

Whipple asks to remind all team workers to report labor to managers and managers to report to him when assigned work is complete for each session. Roving director important to review prep process and note any time it is deviated from.

**Treasurer’s Report:**   Jim Whipple **Aug 1 & Sept 1**

Assets $85,632.54

 Liabilities $18,494.32

Balance Sheet, Individual accounts, events p&l and reconciliation reports all reviewed. 2 check requests reviewed and approved per new accounting procedures. Motion to approve Patton 2nd Whipple For 6 against 0. Approved.   Average expense for recreation account over last 6 year has been $20 - $22,000. Whipple cautioned our membership may drop due to tournament team members from out of state not joining and member players not playing for LVSSA teams. Discussions on expenses; 3 largest expenses Banquet, Flagday, Insurance. Insurance review Whipple saved $225, refund issued. Expanding Flag day and restructuring Annual meeting discussed. Dues for 2020 reduced to $ 70 for men and $60 for Women for early pay 10/7 through 12/31 increases $10 on 1/1/2020 Membership includes include all club play, secondary insurance, liability coverage, Flag Day and annual meeting.

A payment plan will be available Pay $25 to sign up, $25 Feb 15 & $25 April 15 only available online by credit card. We will explore sending invoices to members to help with registration process.

Honorary members must reach the age of 80 and be a member for 5 years Honorary membership is for weekday play, website access, member info and insurances only.

**a break is taken to excuse Courtney**

**Membership: Online** Adams - 307 paid members - 31 honorary 338 total

**Discipline:** Beyer- Review of 2 actions both were resulting in Code of Conduct violations. Handled by committee and all parties addressed and advised of consequences if another action.

**Tournament Sponsors** - Patton Action plan for Sponsors discussed. Board members to take up at separate meeting, club members asked to talk to board members to help. Whipple to prepare options for website sponsors.

**Scheduling for WMC** - Whipple Session 1 & 2 reviewed day and fields supplied by SSUSA reviewed for sessions 3 & 4 of course those assignments are not what we have been working with so no updates will be done until a schedule is produced.

**Bullhead Women’s and Dec** AWS co-sponsored event updates- Whipple Bullhead all Women’s tournament has 21 paid teams to date. Date’s Nov 9 & 10. Patton volunteers to speak with Bullhead businesses.

**Teams -**  Team Balances of Financials, Status of teams , Requirements meet Absent

**Good Will/Welfare:**  Paul Rubin in Sunrise Hospital for triple By-pass,

 **Banquet** - George Details and sign up sheets discussed. Will be at fields next 2 weeks for signups

**Elections:** George no one has applied to run for open positions of Vice President or At Large Rep. If no candidates come forward election will be by acclamation at the next board meeting. Same for Women’s rep who is unopposed at this time. Positions as Tournament Rep to SSUSA and Team Director will be considered up to December Board meeting at which time vote will be held by the Board of Directors from suggestion of President, Board and/or member applications.

**Hall of Fame** - Louise HOF Submissions, 9/16 will be meeting date for Hall of Fame Committee. Louise serves as Non-voting Chairperson and presents nominations, Committee members 1 from BOD, 1 each from under/over 65 and Ladies and 2 Hall of Fame Members.

Request to change nomination form, Amended nomination form was reviewed and approved for 2020 posted on website in document collector. Discussion of expanding Hall to additional categories tablet to future meeting.

**Rules Committee**: At the request of members, Rules Reps were asked to provide a process for members to explain their concerns regarding tournament rules, suggestions for change and rating questions. Below was from Rep Hula: **“ It's really a simple process and I've used it all across the country when a director:**

**1.) send me an email with a question or suggestion, and I either can supply an answer and/or forward on to the Chairman of the rules committee to have it added to the agenda for December. (FYI - I CC the writer when it's forwarded to the chairman, so they know it's been added)**

**2.) If that's too complicated for them, they can just tell me and I'll write it down and forward it to the agenda, as I've done for Chuck Godman and Bill Patton last year. “**

A discussion by board followed regarding qualifications to hold position, need for positions based on relationship with SSUSA. Potential conflicts for our members being a representative. Budget concerns will be addressed and a recommendation will be made prior to December 2020 meeting. Input will be requested from current committee members.

**Open Committees** - Committees for 2020 and Volunteers Needed: It was discussed and approved by the board that each board member will be responsible to co-chair with a club member one committee in addition Whipple will sit on committees to interact as needed with Board, Finances and other committees. This should reduce participation of co chair and volunteer of each committee. Co-chairs are encouraged to break assignments into small pieces so as not to overload a volunteer.

Volunteers needed for the following:  This is your club. If we have no participation for a committee nothing will be done with committee for 2020.

***Now it is up to you as members to help our club. Open Positions***

 Membership Registration, New Member/Team Drive,

Team organizer , Website Information,

Public Relations, Flag Day  & Special Games

Annual Meeting, Fundraising

Website Development Member Info

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**501C3** Whipple Everything has been filed, waiting on confirmation from IRS and return of state filings. Tabled motion for By-laws remains tabled.

**First Aid & CPR training**. A 2 hour class for 1st aid and a 4 hour class for CPR reviewed. Club is willing to pay for members to be trained in either class. It is suggested Team managers, Field Reps and interested parties contact Louise.

**New Business:**

**Tournament /SSUSA Relations cont.** Discussion resumed on topics presented by Courtney. Email of commitment made by SSUSA reviewed form April meeting. SSUSA has failed to honor all important commitments made at face to face meeting and follow up confirmation email. Board reviewed Garth’s stated concern. Board covered a number of topics and tried to find the best solution to move forward. Members present were unanimous to honor, to the best of our ability all terms of current contract, Provide world class effort at joint events, to be best hosts as possible and notify SSUSA of displeasure in not honoring their commitments to LVSSA again. Board agrees not to involve, release id identity of any parties outside of board who reports issues to a board member. Review of events resulted in board agreeing that a form of breach has been committed by SSUSA as it applies to their dealings and should be included in notification to SSUSA by LVSSA President. The board further agrees not to have any further discussion with SSUSA till all past commitments are met.The board commends Garth and his communications with SSUSA in preperation for this World Masters. Further comments included lack of response on SSUSA message board regarding derogatory comments regarding field prep. It was agreed it is best for all parties that this TPA is honored. The importance of co-producing our events was agreed to by the board to be in the best interests of all Senior Softball players as a whole but not at the expense of LVSSA to achieve a fair and equipadle agreement.

**Next Meeting:** Oct 24 @1:00  pm @ Skinny Dugans

**Move to Adjourn :** By \_Beyer\_ 2nd \_Patton\_ Vote \_5\_ vs \_0\_