

August 22, 2020 Board/Members' Council Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Nick Jones, Tracey Campbell, Wendy Darnell, Anna Bennifield, Anna Lisa Skender, Kendal Hallman, Don Sivard, Caitlyn McLaughlin (Cliterference Rep), Brittany Dojca (Cliterference), Debby Sadok (U-Ballers Manager), Barb Kirby (Umpire in Charge), Lance Overdorff (Bucks Manager), Raymon Morrison (Wolfpac Manager), Kyle Dunn (Alphas Rep), Jeff Johnson (N2L Manager)

- **Called to Order at 10:11am**

- **Position Reports**

- Commissioner/NAGAAA Rep: Nick Jones
 - Nothing to report
- Assistant Commissioner: Tracey Campbell
 - Nothing to report
- Secretary/Treasurer: Wendy Darnell
 - Minutes and Treasurer's Report approval: Kendal moved to pass; Tracey seconded; passed unanimously.
 - By-laws update was handed out that included the new language for Treasurer candidate background checks (previously passed); no objects. Discussed where to put the language for the Pitcher Mask requirement in the Rules of Play (rule previously passed).
- Fundraising Officer: Anna Bennifield
 - Nothing to report
- Public Relations/Player Representative: Anna Lisa Skender
 - Nothing to report
- Web Master: Kendal Hallman
 - All free agents that were registered have been placed. With team registration closed, we have 3 teams declared as E division, and 7 as D division.
- Ratings Officer: Don Sivard
 - Nothing to report

- **Agenda Items**

- Any questions about these key season details from last meeting?
 - Season dates are Sept 13-November 1
 - N2L will be at tournaments on 11/19 and 10/10, so schedule will reflect that
 - Route 66 fields in Arcadia (same location as last year)
 - Game times will be between 11-3 on Sunday's
 - Team registration is closed, but individuals can still register on teams until the Saturday after the fourth week of play
 - NAGAAA ratings will *not* be required and will not be grounds to protest for this season; however rosters should be turned in on the ratings forms and coaches are encouraged to complete the ratings sheet to practice and to have some documentation from which to start for tournaments or when the NAGAAA database needs updating

- Teams will still need to declare a division and players on those teams should fit, in good faith, within the division guidelines
 - Schedule will be established where teams will first be given priority of playing within their division, but where teams may play cross divisionally as needed to fill out the season for each team (guidelines used previously for cross-division games will be in place, e.g., lower division teams could opt out of games with higher division teams with advance notice and not be counted as forfeits)
 - 2 weeks' notice needs to be given if that is the case
- Additional date information for upcoming deadlines and events – discussed roster lock and election-related dates
- Review “cheat sheet” rules that the Umps use to determine if any changes or updates are needed (complete Rules for the league are found in the By-laws and Division Rules and Regulation document)
 - Make adjustments to E and D instead of C and D throughout
 - Correct Extra Hitter to Extra Player
 - Emphasize no leading off
 - Add that pitchers must wear pitching face masks
 - [Barb to make updates and send to Wendy for distribution](#)
- Review and approval of updated waiver that includes COVID-19 reference
 - No concern with updated waiver; [Wendy will distribute](#)
 - Also reviewed Safety Guidelines that Barb presented
 - Removing temperature checks
 - Removing sanitizing of bats as that’s a team choice and responsibility
 - Adding that coaches retrieve their clean balls to be used defensively
 - [Wendy will update and distribute](#)
- Extra Innings for first week and brainstorm ideas for future weeks
 - First week is at Frankie’s
 - Anna Lisa and Anna will work together on ideas and setting up the next few
- **Open Forum**
 - Anna asked for \$100 to support the Alzheimer’s benefit as we’d done the last two years along with other organizations; Anna moved; Tracey seconded
 - 1 abstention, all others voted yes; motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 11:27am