

## MINUTES MVUDSS BOARD MEETING 10/28/13

ATTENDANCE: S. Baranick (SB); M. Feeney (MF); J. Hansell (JH); T. Jadwin (TJ); B. Kapeller (BK); R. Schemp (RS); G. Stevenson (GS).

### 1. Rule clarifications:

Rule 16.a - ... hits the screen with the ball or causes it to land in the well, ...

*Without vote it was unanimously agreed to modify rule 16.a as indicated in the above underline.*

Rule 16.c.(2).(a) – re. Horizontal positioning of pitching screen

*Consensus agreement was that the positioning of the pitching screen is ONLY for the safety of the pitcher, and that no other factor(s) will be considered relative to the rule regarding the positioning of the screen. It was also the consensus, without vote, that a left-handed pitcher cannot locate the pitching screen in the location deemed for a right-handed pitcher, and conversely for a right-handed pitcher vis-a-vis the left-handed pitcher screen location. It was unanimously agreed, without vote, to retain the existing league rule language relative to the positioning of the screen. It was also agreed that a “reminder” e-mail communication would be sent to pitchers, managers and umpires regarding the use of the screen, to include an insert of the pitching screen rule language in the communication document.*

### 2. New umpire:

Darin Rossi, 951-204-3739, 33 years experience

*TJ will contact Rossi and consider using him to umpire a game in the Thursday night league and will advise the Board if Rossi should be considered as a potential umpire for the Monday league.*

### 3. League fees:

A (Hank) – Paschal

B (Frit) – Prather

E (Glenn) – Daniels, Miller, Wisslead

F (Rod) – Kight, Vogt(?)

*Board members were reminded that, according to league rules, players must pay the league fee no later than the third game, and will not be able to play until the fee is paid.*

### 4. Update “pool players” list.

*The existing pool player list has 27 indicated names, but is not reflective of players who truly can/will play if called. As such, it is not an effective tool for managers when trying to recruit pick-up players. The Board agreed that the following players will remain as pool players, and all other players will be removed from the list.*

*Bill Dazalla; Dave Flournoy; Rob Hellman; Mike Ingalls; Ken Perez;  
Walt Webber.*

5. Playoffs:

a. Schedule

*Consensus agreement, without vote, is for seed #2 to play seed # 3 at 9:00 A.M. and seed #1 to play seed # 4 at 10:30 A. M, with the two winners playing at noon for the championship.*

b. “The higher seed will have its choice of home or visitor.” --- current rule  
*Consensus agreement, without vote, was to retain existing rule language.*

c. Pickup players

*JH motioned, BK seconded that players for the playoffs can only be picked up from pool players and from the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> seeded teams, and only on the basis of the current rule regarding the rating level of the missing player and player picked up.*

***Motion passed 6-1(JH.)***

6. Tied game: October 14, Feeney’s Fossil’s vs. Blue Crew (Frit), 20-20 tie

a. Win for Feeney’s Fossils?

Continue game if impacts playoffs?

Replay game if impacts playoffs?

*JH motioned, RS seconded that the game played on 10/14/13 between the Blue Crew and Feeney's Fossils be officially declared a tie. **Motion passed 3-2(JH/BK)-2 (MF/TJ abstained.)***

*There was much discussion about whether to leave the existing tie as the permanent outcome of the 10/14/13 game, or declare Feeney's Fossils the winner of the game, as was initially done at the end of the game by the umpire. While not unanimous, and without vote, the general consensus was to not let a tie game impact the standings. Discussion took place as to whether to have the two teams play a complete game or “complete” the original game via extra innings. There was no consensus as to which solution to adopt. There was also some discussion to resolve this issue now, even though, at this point in time, it is not known whether the “tie game” will have any impact on the playoff seeding. As a result, the general consensus (not unanimous), without vote, was to table any action relative to “completing” the tie game for a few weeks, at which time it should be more clear as to whether this game will have any impact on the standings.*

b. Rule re. Scorekeeping responsibility

*After much discussion, the consensus, without vote, was to reflect language in the league rules to the effect that both managers will be required to verify the umpire's score prior to the start of the open inning. If they fail to do so the umpire's score will stand as final.*

