

MINUTES MVUDSS BOARD MEETING 7/16/14

IN ATTENDANCE: S. Baranick (SB); M Feeney (MF); J. Hansell (JH); T. Jadwin (TJ);
B. Kapeller (BK); R. Schemp (RS); G. Stevenson (GS-present for last ½ of meeting).

1) Fall 2014 regular season and playoff schedules/format

Regular Season Schedule (3 Options)

Playoffs – SE/DE

1. 8 Teams - PREFERRED
9/8-11/24
10 games/team, 1 DH/team
40 games total
\$30/player
Projected balance: \$179.49
Draft: 8/25 (Mon) and 8/27 (Wed)

12/1, 12/8, 12/15

12 games max

2 divisions of 4 teams each.

Each team will play teams in its division twice and teams in the other division once.

2. 8 Teams
8/25-12/1
14 games/team, 3 DH's/team
56 games total
\$40/player
Projected balance: \$416.49
Draft: 8/11 (Mon) and 8/13 (Wed)

12/8, 12/15, 12/22

12 games max

3. 7 teams – back-up schedule
9/8-12/1 (or 8/25-11/24)
12 games/team, 2 DH's/team
42 games total
\$35/player
Projected balance: \$90.49
Draft: 8/25 (Mon) and 8/27 (Wed)

12/8, 12/15, 12/22

(or: 12/1, 12/8, 12/15)

11 games max

Playoff format:

Teams seeded using SSUSA seeding criteria.

Seeds 4-7/8 will play a SE. Winner will join seeds 1, 2 and 3 for a DE.

Note: For option 1 above, seeds 1 and 2 will be the division winners.

Teams may only pick up players from teams not playing that day.

Although this was the first item on the agenda, it was one of the last items discussed. SB reviewed three different season options for the fall 2014 season. He explained that Brandon's Diner and North County would be placed in separate divisions. RS expressed his desire for a

longer season with not as much down time. He also expressed a desire that we have a season in which we have a little more surplus than indicated by option 1. SB indicated that fees for all options are fully contained and include expenses for field rental, awards, game balls, umpires, approved equipment purchases, but does not include expenditure for BP balls, if needed. JH motioned and TJ seconded that the Monday league adopt option 1 above with all of its criteria. **Motion passed 6-1 (RS.)**

2) Team managers

During the meeting, it was confirmed that Rob Hellman and Mike O'Donnell would manage teams for the fall 2014 season. R. Schemp, M. Feeney, and J. Hansell are still "possibles" as managers for the fall season. F. Swain has not been available to contact. E Rushing still needs to be contacted to see if he has interest. **NOTE: SUBSEQUENT TO THE BOARD MEETING, F. SWAIN AND R. HELLMAN INDICATED THEY WILL NOT MANAGE FOR THE UPCOMING FALL SEASON.**

3) Bank Account

SB indicated that the Monday league has a balance of \$628.43 after completion of the spring 2014 season.

4) BP balls and buckets

SB again requested that spring 2014 managers return all BP balls and buckets to him. This had been requested during the 6/30/14 Board meeting.

5) Scoreboards

GS agreed to provide SB with needed information regarding the league logo so SB can order the previously approved scoreboards.

6) 2 seasons vs. 3 seasons for playing year.

RS spoke in favor of having 3 vs. 2 seasons citing, among other factors, the desire to play more.

SB spoke against this, citing, among other factors, the additional work required to put together and maintain such a schedule. TJ motioned and JH seconded that the Monday league retain two seasons per playing year. **Motion passed 5-1 (RS).**

7) Out-of-area teams always playing back to back games.

SB indicated that in the season option whereby all teams play doubleheaders, the out-of-area teams will have one split doubleheader.

8) Purchase a spare (league) pitcher's mask.

TJ, while not concerned about the cost of such a purchase was opposed to this purchase because of the difficulty in keeping track of such equipment. JH motioned and MF seconded that the league purchase a spare pitcher's mask in an amount NTE \$100.

Motion passed 4-2 (TJ/BK.)

9) Players returning for fall 2014 season.

Red Wave (Alonzo) – ? on David Phares

Blue Crew (Swain) – all returning

Bellow Yastards (Hansell) – Doug MacRae quit; Gary Bronner not available until end of October; Klip Klippert not available 8/31-9/14

Feeney's Fossils (Feeney) – Dickie Bivin, and Steve Miller quit; Bill Ward not available until beginning of October; ? on availability of Pepe Siniard. **NOTE: SUBSEQUENT TO BOARD MEETING IT WAS CONFIRMED THAT SINIARD WILL BE PLAYING IN THE FALL.**

White Tornados (Stevenson) – all returning

Blue Balls (Schemp) - ? on Sonny Vogt

10) Wounded Warrior Project Tournament - BLD

BK indicated that he has confirmed Wednesday, 2/25/15 for the 2015 Wounded Warrior Project Tournament for ages 65 and above. He is working on trying to confirm a date for weekend play, but won't have that information until some time in November.

11) Player ratings

TJ expressed his dissatisfaction with the current (1-3) rating system, including the fact that a player's rating is based upon the round he's selected in the draft. His preference would be to use a 1-10 player rating system as was developed in the initial stages of the draft prior to the 2013-2014 draft, or to develop a rating system based on a 1-5 rating scale.

TJ motioned and MF seconded that the Monday league establish a rating committee made up of 3 Board members. **Motion failed 3 (MF/TJ/GS) – 4.**

RS motioned and JH seconded that the Monday league establish a rating committee made up of 5 Board members. **Motion failed 3 (MF/TJ/RS) – 4.**

BK motioned and JH seconded that managers selecting teams in the draft will establish a player ranking by virtue of the round in which the player is selected in the draft. (This would be how ratings were set during the 2013-2014 season). **Motion failed 2 (SB/BK) – 5.**

As a result of the above votes, the league now has no system for rating players.

GS motioned and RS seconded that the Monday league re-establish the 1-3 player rating system. **Motion passed 6-1 (JH.)**

GS motioned and JH seconded that the Board appoint a Chairperson, from a member of the Board, of a player rating committee, who will select, from Board members, the number of, and specific individuals, to be on a player rating committee, whose objective will be to rate all the players in the league. **Motion passed 4-3 (SB/JH/BK.)**

Without vote, but by acclamation, the Board appointed TJ as Chairperson of the Player Rating Committee.

RS motioned and GS seconded that the player rating committee will rate all players in the league, based on the previously approved 1-3 rating system, and that such player rating by the rating committee will supersede the round/position in which a player is taken in the draft as relates to a rating placed on the player. JH again voiced his strong disagreement with the need for any type of rating system. Despite that feeling, JH stated that although he was/is opposed to the (any) rating system, in fact, the system that was in place for the past year actually worked and that there is no need to change the system. He also stated that he heard nothing significant given for making any change. He also indicated that forcing a ranking of a player on a manager, takes that responsibility away from the manager in terms of where that manager might otherwise draft a player. BK expressed similar feelings.

Motion passed 4-3 (SB/JH/BK.)