

MINUTES MVUDSS BOARD MEETING 10/30/15

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

1. Player Trade

A player trade has been agreed to, in principal, by all parties. Monday league policy regarding a trade, subsequent to the draft, requires that the two players and the two managers agree and Board approval be given to sanction the trade. A trade involving Hank Alberts, playing for 55 Shades of Gray (M. O'Donnell, manager) and Bob Kapeller, playing for RedE To Roll (Rod Schemp, manager) had been agreed to by all four immediate parties involved prior to this Board meeting. The discussion regarding the possibility of a trade was initiated a number of weeks ago, and centered on the dissatisfaction of a player on the Red team regarding his playing time at a specific position. JH and TJ both stressed their concern with, and disapproval of, acting on the dissatisfaction of a player regarding his playing time as an underlying reason to initiate a trade. They voiced their strong concern regarding the precedent this would create. SB motioned and JH seconded to approve the trade of Hank Alberts to the Red team and Bob Kapeller to the Gray team. **Motion passed 3-1 (JH).** BK and RS recused themselves from this vote. Although he voted in favor of this motion, TJ indicated that he did so only because BK and RS recused themselves from the vote.

2. B. McPhillips Resignation

On Tuesday of this week, manager M. O'Donnell (55 Shades of Gray) received an e-mail from one of his players, Bill McPhillips, indicating that McPhillips was resigning from the team/league. He gave no reason. During a brief recess from the Board meeting, SB spoke to McPhillips, who indicated that the reason he resigned was that he did not care for the manner in which the team was being run and how it impacted him. It was discussed that a player resigning from the league is required, by policy, to sit out one season, including not being able to participate as a pool player, before he can come back into the league. If the player wishes to return to the league, once this absence period is served, his return to the league must be approved by the Board.

BK motioned and JH seconded that a player who resigns from the league for reasons other than personal medical reasons or serious family/medical reasons will not be eligible for consideration to return to the league for the balance of the season in which he resigns plus the following full season. He will also not be eligible to participate in the pool during this absence period, and any return to the league must be approved by the Board. After discussion in which BK understood that this motion, if approved, would be effective forward from the date of approval, BK rescinded this motion.

BK motioned and MF seconded that a player who resigns from the league for reasons other than personal medical reasons or serious family/medical reasons will not be eligible for consideration to return to the league for the balance of the season in which he resigns plus the following full season. He will also not be eligible to participate in the pool during this absence period, and any return to the league must be approved by the Board. This motion, if approved, will be effective as of 10/23/15. JH and TJ voiced their disagreement with making a disciplinary policy retroactive in order to cover a present disciplinary action and also stated that they felt that the current policy was sufficient. *(Prior to the motion being voted, TJ spoke to McPhillips and told him of the possible modified consequence to his resignation that was going to be voted on in this meeting.)* **Motion passed 4-2 (JH/TJ).**

3. Wounded Warrior Tournament

BK stated that he has secured a tentative date of 2/24/16 (Wed) at BLD for our Wounded Warrior Tournament. He will also look into securing a back-up “rain date.”

MF indicated that he would like to have the proceeds from our tournament go to a local Wounded Warrior family. When he contacted officials at the Wounded Warrior Project (WWP) about this, they indicated that they were not set up to allow this kind of distribution. He suggested that we consider doing the tournament without the affiliation with WWP. JH indicated that the league is not set up as a 501 (c) 3 charity organization and do not want to get involved in something like this. Also, if not set up as a legal IRS charity, individuals contributing to this tournament could not take a tax deduction. BK suggested that a portion of the proceeds go the WWT and some portion of the proceeds be set aside for a local Wounded Warrior family. It was stated that WWT, in order to use their name and be affiliated with them require that all proceeds go to them.

MF then suggested that we possibly look at a different “cause” (cancer, etc.) for our charity event. The general consensus, however, was to continue, for now, with the WWT.