

## MINUTES MVUDSS BOARD MEETING 3/2/15

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

### 1. WWT II - Lessons Learned

- a. It was agreed that for future WWT's that we need to announce the opening ceremonies over the PA system. The Board consensus was that we also needed to allow more time for the ceremonies so that all teams/players can attend. RS suggested that we allow 15 minutes from the end of the ceremonies to the beginning of the first games to allow all teams/players to attend. It was also suggested that strong consideration be given to holding the opening ceremonies at 11:30 A.M. which would allow all teams/players to attend. All of these items will be taken under consideration for the next WWT.
- b. There were some complaints that some Hemet players played on both Hemet teams (same division). This is contrary to SSUSA rules, which the WWT follows. The possible solutions to this issue are:
  - (1) Make it clear in the WWT rules, and to the teams involved, that this cannot take place.
  - (2) Schedule Hemet/Menifee Tu/Th teams to play at the same times.
- c. BK suggested that we move WWT III to Monday, 2/22/16 to allow us to pick up more teams for the WWT. With more time available on Monday, this would allow more teams to be able to participate in the WWT. JH expressed concern that we not take a Monday league date away from the Monday league – additional impact from rainouts and the desire by the majority (if not full) of the Board not to extend league play too deep into the summer months. It was agreed that this item will be tabled for discussion when WWT III comes around. BK will contact BLD to reserve Wednesday, February 24, 2016, and will keep Monday, February, 29, 2016 in mind as a possible WWT date.
- d. Some complaints were lodged during the WWT about having “under age” (under 55) players participating in the HR Derby (HRD.) No final decision was made. This will be discussed prior to next year's WWT, with the possibility of limiting HRD participants to age 55 and older.
- e. Concern was expressed about the Monday league “all-star” team, which scored 76 runs over three games and held their opponents to 24 runs. General consensus was that we not permit such a team to enter the WWT unless there is, at least, two, and preferably three, other comparable teams. BK suggested if we are able to only get three such teams, that these teams play two games, and not three. General consensus was that we also restrict players to age 55 and over. This will be an open item to discuss prior to WWT III.
- f. An issue arose regarding the prize to be given to the winner of the HRD. In a discussion during the 2/20/15 Board meeting about WWT raffle prizes, Mike O'Donnell (OD), who was present at the meeting, offered to donate a bat as a prize. JH indicated that this was what was reflected in the 2/20/15 Board meeting minutes, plus the bats “value” of approximately \$200. Subsequent to that meeting, OD indicated (to?) that the bat was to be awarded to the winner of the HRD. From this, and subsequent discussions by/with numerous people, there was confusion, at least on the part of some, as to what the prize was for winning the HRD. RS stated that Jack Brunschmid (a HRD participant), and “others” were under the impression that the HRD winner would receive a bat. Because of this “confusion”, RS proposed that a bat be provided to the HRD winner. It was proposed that \$155 be earmarked for this and that this amount be included as a WWT expense. SB and BK disagreed with this and felt that the winner of the HRD simply be given a plaque, as originally planned by the Board. RS argued that if the winner had been someone other than TJ, there would be no question that we would provide the bat as a prize. It was also discussed that negative fall-out would fall on this Board, league and WWT if the decision was other than giving a bat as the winner's prize. Without vote, but with general consensus, it was agreed to allot \$155 out of WWT proceeds to purchase a bat for the HRD winner.

g. MF and SB gave the WWT breakdown of donations, raffle, expenses and total profit for WWT II. Although the numbers still have to be reviewed before finalization, the results of the WWT, as of this writing is: revenue = \$6122, expenses = \$1309 --- profit = \$4813. JH suggested that since the figure that we would donate to WWT (\$4813) is so close to a “milestone” (\$5K) number, that the Monday league “donate” the balance required (with these preliminary numbers it would be \$187) so that we can write a check to WWT for \$5K. Without vote, but with unanimous consensus, the Board agreed.

## **2. Monday League Fees**

SB indicated that 16 players (he provided names) have still not paid the \$45 league fees. Those managers in question who were in attendance at the Board meeting, R. Hellman (Green); M. Feeney (Blue); T. Jadwin (Black); J. Hansell – for E. Rushing (White); and R. Schemp (Gray) were all made aware of players needing to pay league fees.

## **3. Rescheduling Rainouts**

SB provided a number of options to consider relative to rescheduling games due to rainouts. The last two scheduled Monday play dates have been rained out. After some discussion, JH motioned, and GS seconded that we adopt, at this point in time, the revised Monday schedule which would: result in no change to the length of the current season; add 4 weeks of doubleheaders, resulting in teams playing two doubleheaders; and reduce field rentals by \$200. **Motion passed 7-0.**

## **4. Out-of-Area Teams (North County (NC)/Brandon's Diner (BD))**

Because of some complaints that NC is fielding a “loaded” team, SB feels that the Board needs to consider taking some action. His recommendation is to make no change for this season. For subsequent seasons he recommends limiting NC/BD to 12 man rosters; have both teams rate their players 1-6; and rate players over the 12 man roster from 1-6 and place in player pool. Initial discussion was divided both as to whether to limit roster size and require these teams to rate their players from 1-6. It was the general consensus of the Board to wait until the end of this season and see how NC performs overall. This will remain as an open item.

## **5. Anything Else?**

Regarding the WWT, MF asked for the Board to consider having WWT proceeds go directly to a “local” WW family, instead of the national WW organization. A brief discussion, both pro and con occurred, and it was agreed that the possibility of this would be reviewed during the early discussion stages of WWT III.