

MINUTES MVUDSS BOARD MEETING 2/12/16

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

1. Spring 2016 Season

SB indicated that he contacted all 8 league managers regarding their preference for the season/playoff for spring 2016. He indicated that 6 of the 8 managers indicated to leave this season structure the same as last season. RS and Ed Rushing would like all 8 teams to be playoff eligible, and have the playoff be double-elimination. BK motioned and MF seconded that the spring season format (regular season and playoff) be structured identical to the fall 2015 season. **Motion passed 5-1 (RS.)**

SB indicated that if there are no rainouts, etc., the regular season will end on June 27 and, because of the holiday, July 11 would be the commencement of playoffs.

2. League Fee Spring 2016

SB indicated that with a \$35/player league fee, no extraordinary expenses and a schedule with the same number of games as the prior season, the spring 2016 season will end with a surplus of approximately \$300. TJ and RS indicated that pitching screen repairs might be in the area of \$250, which should be covered by our overall league fees. JH motioned and MF seconded that the spring 2016 league fee be set at \$35/player. **Motion passed 6-0.**

3. North County and Brandon's Diner

SB provided some "statistics" which seem to indicate team performance improvement when North County added two new players and Brandon's Diner one to their respective rosters. There was sentiment from a number of Board members, and some managers and players, that some type of concession be given to "local" teams to help balance play against the two out-of-area teams. There was also sentiment expressed by a few Board members that, with the exception of the recent league win by North County, that neither of the two out-of-area teams had previously won anything, that they were not unbeatable, and that most of the local teams can (and have) hold their own against these two teams. TJ motioned and MF seconded that when any local team is missing players when playing either of the out-of-area teams, they can replace ANY missing player, irrespective of that player's rating, with ONE, one (1) rated player. After much spirited discussion, TJ rescinded his motion.

RS motioned and JH seconded that ANY out-of-area team is required to submit a roster of no more than 14 players to the Board for review and approval. The submittal of the roster is to include a 1-6 rating of each roster player, with the final approval of such ratings to be made by the league Board. If a player leaves the roster, any future replacement player(s) must be submitted to the Board for review/approval, and must include the proposed player rating. The replacement player must be rated at, or below, the rating of the player leaving the roster. **Motion passed 5-2 (SB/JH.)**

4. New Players

- a. Jeff Hutchinson has retired and wants to play full time. Without vote, but by consensus, Hutchinson is rated a one (1). As Rusty Lee (White Brigade) is leaving the league, and is rated a “1”, Hutchinson will be placed on White Brigade. Although pool player, Ernie Regalado, has an early eligibility date, as a “3” rated player, he cannot replace Rusty Lee.
- b. Keith Erikson has played on Grant's Posse and LAF 50/55 teams, and is known by the players from those teams. He wants to be in the pool. The Board deferred to TJ, and manager, Mike O'Donnell, that this player should be rated a “1.”
- c. Bill Steele will be placed in the pool, without vote, but by consensus, as a “3.”
- d. Richard Patton is currently rated a “2”, and is on The Boys In Blue team. Without vote, but by consensus of the Board, Patton's rating will be changed from a “2” to a “4.” This change has no impact on The Boys In Blue if Patton misses games.
- e. Rob Wood will be a pool player. TJ is only person who knows him and believes he is a “2.”

5. Wounded Warrior Tournament (WWT)

SB indicated that he has 20 teams committed to the WWT for a total of 28 games. Fourteen of those teams have paid the tournament fee, and 6 have not. BK will visit Hemet to collect the fees from the two Hemet teams.

SB indicated that he's struggling to get umpires, having 22 of the 28 games covered. (Subsequent to the Board meeting SB has the games covered.)