

MINUTES MVUDSS BOARD MEETING 12/15/17

IN ATTENDANCE: H. Alberts (HA); S. Baranick (SB); J. Hansell (JH); T. Jadwin (TJ); R. Schemp (RS)

1. New League Player – John Sennett

SB stated that waiting list/pool player John Sennett, rated a 5, has been placed on the Yellow Snow team, replacing Steve Miller, rated a 6. Sadly, Steve Miller passed away on Saturday, 12/9.

The website has been updated.

2. Bob Kapeller Memorial Tournament 2018

Per SB, the following 10 teams have signed up via e-mail:

- (1) 10/2, No Guts, No Glory/Jack Brunschmid, 65AAA, (2) 10/4, California Connection/Mike Bilt, 75 major,
- (3) 10/4, Over the Edge/Jerry Smith, 65 major, (4) 10/4, FV Outlaws/Al Garcia, 65AAA,
- (5) 10/4, Top Gun Mavericks/Don Chandler, 65 major, (6) 10/20, Nomads/Bob Clary, 65AA - **PAID**,
- (7) 11/12, Git-R-Done/Bob Merkle, 80AAA (a maybe), 12/12, (8) 11/29, Git-R-Done/Gene Dick, 75AAA,
- (9) 11/29, Git-R-Done/Jerry McGee, 70AAA, (10) 11/29, Sammy's Cafe/Dan Gutierrez, 65AAA

Others:

- (11) 10/26, Top Gun Patriots/John Spadea, 70AAA — verbally/John Spadea
- (12) 10/30, Weekend Warriors/Dickie Bivin, 60AAA — verbally/Dickie Bivin
- (13) 11/5, Sons of Pitches/Joe Bruno, 70 major — verbally/Hank Alberts
- (14) 11/12, Git-R-Done/Ed Rushing, 60AAA — text/Ed Rushing
- (15) 12/1, Hemet League Team/Bill Brantley, REC — verbally/Bill Ward
- (16) 12/3, Top Gun Olde Dawgs/Myron Pembroke, 65AA — phone/Myron Pembroke
- (17) 12/4, Monday League Team/Ron Barnhart, 60AAA/major — verbally/Ron Barnhart
- (18) 12/4, USED2BE/Andy Smith, 65M — verbally/Hank Alberts - **PAID**
- (19) 12/12, Menifee League Team, REC — verbally/Mike Trice

The 60+ division has two openings. Need two 60+ (preferably)/65+ teams. Others to waiting list.

HA will contact teams in Palm Springs.

As agreed in a prior Board meeting, we will not be doing a color guard. We will be conducting our national anthem. HA to contact Eric Morrison and TJ to contact Greg Brandt to see if either (both) would be willing to sing the national anthem.

HA indicated that we had \$123 carryover in the BKMT account, and currently have \$623 in the account which includes two teams having paid.

3. AED Training

SB stated that we will schedule 2017 AED Training for January 8, 2018 between games. He stated that Mike Fagan is aware of the need to schedule. This will remain an open item on the agenda.

4. Board Meetings – Open?

SB stated that he was asked by a player whether our Board meetings are open to attend. This has been asked in the past, and the answer is yes. The only stipulations are that non-Board members attending will not participate in the meeting, unless recognized by the Board, and will be asked to leave the meeting if sensitive (i.e. personnel matters) are to be discussed and voted on. Without vote, but by unanimous consensus of the Board, SB will begin posting upcoming Board meeting dates on the league website.

5. New SSUSA Rules

SB brought to the Board's attention, the following rules which were adopted by SSUSA, effective 12/1/17.

§8.5(5) • COURTESY RUNNER OFFICIALLY IN GAME – Proposal to institute a provision designed to force courtesy runners game entry to be more efficient – “**A courtesy runner may enter the game only prior to the first pitch to any batter.**” – PASSED: 13-0 by SSUSA

§3.4(7)D. • PENALTY FOR USING AN ILLEGAL BAT – Proposal to delete sub-section “D” due to being redundant to other rule book provisions – ~~“The tournament officials will request the owner of the bat to surrender it for forwarding it to SSWC headquarters. A player's failure to voluntarily surrender the bat to tournament officials will result in an immediate minimum of one year suspension from play. There will be a subsequent hearing to determine if additional sanctions against the player shall be imposed, and if the bat will be returned to the player or destroyed.”~~ PASSED 12-0 by SSUSA

§3.6 • GLOVES – Proposal to allow the use of mitts by any defensive player – “Gloves **and mitts** may be worn by any player.” ~~but mitts may be used only by the catcher and first baseman.~~ - PASSED 12-0 by SSUSA

§6.17 • PITCHERS MANDATED MINIMUM SAFETY EQUIPMENT – In response to some pitchers asserting rule compliance by wearing “goggle style” minimally protective equipment, the area of the face that must be protected by a face mask was clarified – “Pitchers (only) MUST wear a face mask **that covers the area of the face from above the eyes to the lower part of the chin.** ~~and all~~ All players, including pitchers, are ENCOURAGED to wear the “recommended”, but not required, additional protective equipment.”
- PASSED 12-0 by SSUSA

JH motioned and TJ seconded that effective 12/1/17, MVUDSS league adopt the above revised SSUSA rules. **Motioned passed 5-0.** SB to inform league managers/umpires.

6. League Insurance

This remains an open item. Waiting to receive invoice and certificate of coverage from SSUSA.