

NCSSA
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SENIOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION
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Minutes of December 5, 2015 General Meeting
Held at Manteca Council Chambers

Directors Present: Bob Fernandez, Ron McElyea, Harold Dunbar, Steve Salter, John Reedy, Don Wever, Gary Tryhorn, Bob Elwood.

Ron opened the meeting at 10:05 a.m. Ron thanked the City of Manteca for the use of their facilities at no charge.

Harold made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 28, 2015 meeting. Gary 2nd, All Ayes.

There was no Treasurer's Report due to Hal's absence.

Everyone divided up into their respective districts for election of the 2016 directors.
Results:

District I	Bob Fernandez, Bob Hunter, John Moran
District II	Steve Salter, Bill Hill, Tom Bussey
District III	John Reedy, Don Wever, Don Angle
District IV	Gary Tryhorn, Joe Lewis, Baron Bonner
District V	Bob Elwood, Bill Picht, TBD

Committee Reports:

Al Soares demonstrated the new website: NCSSA.Club.

John Reedy reported on the Hall of Fame tournament. In 2016, it will again be held at BLD on August 11, 12, 13, and 14. There will be a limit on the number of teams.

Steve Salter reported on the rankings and showed some new formats for reporting tournaments.

Bob Elwood reported on Rosters. There will be a different format, and it can all be done on the new website. Teams may be subject to additional fees if they make excessive changes.

Gary reported for the scheduling committee. The new schedule is anticipated in early January.

Gary went over the new rule changes made by SSUSA. Note: NCSSA follows SSUSA's rule book with our exceptions. For the exact wording on the rules, please refer to the 2016 Rule Book when printed and our exceptions when printed. SSUSA changes for 2016:

- 1) Teams that give equalizers will always be the home team. Tim Millette made a motion to accept the rule, Lanny Witt 2nd, motion carried.
- 2) There will be a mandatory flip flop at 10 runs. Bob Elwood made a motion to accept the rule, Bob Sebring 2nd, motion carried.
- 3) When wind or sun affects the batter's ability to hit, the batter has the choice (with umpire's approval) to move the pitcher up to 6 feet of either side of the pitching rubber. This rule applies to the top of the respective inning. Kurt Mahaney made a motion to accept the rule, Bob Sebring 2nd, motion carried.
- 4) Four base awards will be awarded to all runners on a 4-base error. George Nunes made a motion to accept the rule, Bob Elwood 2nd, motion carried.
- 5) Having alcohol in the dugout or on the playing field will be subject to ejection and suspension for the day. Bob Sebring made a motion to accept the rule, Bob Holley 2nd, motion carried.

Gary presented changes to the NCSSA rules recommended by the Board. Note: For exact working of the changes, please see our exceptions when printed.

Rule #8

Recommended change to the cut-off date for tournaments. Discussing followed. No action.

Rule #9

Harold Dunbar made a motion to keep the current rule, as it was subject to change in 2016. Bob Elwood 2nd, motion carried.

Rule #10

The Board's recommendation: The last sentence changed to read: *Any team found to be illegal for any given tournament will pay a fine equal to the entry fee of that tournament.* Harold Dunbar 2nd, motion carried.

Rule #12

George Nunes made a motion to change the suspension from commencing one month after that date to 15 days. Lanny Witt 2nd, motion carried.

Rule #13

George Nunes made a motion to change the fees to \$50. Lanny Witt 2nd, motion carried.

Rule #16

The Board recommends that the last tie breaker “flip a coin” be removed and replaced with *least amount of runs allowed for the entire tournament*. Added noted: Once a team is eliminated by a tie breaker, that team cannot re-enter the discussion. Lanny Witt 2nd, motion carried.

New Rules:

Tim Millette made a motion to allow 1st baseman mitts at any defensive position. Lanny Witt 2nd, motion carried.

Kurt Mahaney made a motion regarding Rule #21 at the HOF tournament. Discussion followed. Motion withdrawn.

Don Wever made a motion to allow players to be on 2 rosters for 70 and over only. Discussion followed. Motion withdrawn.

The next Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2016, at the home of Ron McElyea.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Submitted by Don Wever