

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SENIOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

REGION ONE
Bob Fernandez
Bob Hunter
John Moran

REGION TWO
Bill Hill
Tom Bussey
TBD

REGION THREE
John Reedy
Don Wever
Don Angle

REGION FOUR
Gary Tryhorn
Joe Lewis
Sam Scott

REGION FIVE
Bob Elwood
Bill Picht
Hal Feinberg

Minutes of the October 25, 2017 Meeting Held at the home of Gary Tryhorn

Directors Present: Bob Fernandez, Gary Tryhorn, Bob Hunter, Don Wever, Bob Elwood, John Moran, John Reedy, Bill Hill, Don Angle, Sam Scott, Tom Bussey, Bill Picht

Not present: Hal Feinberg, Joe Lewis

Bob F opened the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

Reading of Minutes: Bill Picht made a motion to accept the September 13, 2017 Minutes. John Reedy 2nd. All approved.

Treasurer's Report: Don Wever handed out the financial report and discussed it. There was a fee charged by the Bank of the West for too many deposits. A different account could be used to offset these fees, but a monthly balance of \$6,000 must be maintained. It was decided by the Board to stay as is since this is a once a year charge of \$11.50. The balance as of 10/25/17 is \$7,331.98. John Reedy made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Bob Elwood 2nd. All approved. Don also discussed the recent correspondence between the Board and Harry Purslow re. the Medford tournament. He passed around copies of the emails back and forth. Bob F wants a decision made on Medford. Don W will send another letter to Purslow stating NCSSA's position.

Committee Reports

Hall of Fame: John Moran: John made a list of addresses and phone numbers of HOF members. Received about 50 % back. John is checking on a different company for the shadow boxes and waiting response re. the cost. Will know by December meeting.

Hall of Fame Tournament: John Reedy discussed keeping the entry fee at \$350 and the Board agreed. Bob F wants a Committee formed for the HOF ceremony as the 2017 ceremony was not up to NCSSA's standards. The five team bracket (four games) will be brought up at the General Meeting. The General Meeting will be Saturday, December 2nd 10-1 for the attendees and 9 am for the Board members. Also, following the General Meeting there will be the Scheduling Committee meeting.

Scheduling Committee: Committee Chair Gary Tryhorn has put the notice on the website and is waiting for responses from the tournament directors re. the dates wanted for tournaments. Gary checks as response are received. Don Angle volunteered to list Supplementary tournaments and this list will be sent to get on the website when the NCSSA schedule is sent on February 1st.

Rules/ByLaws: Gary Tryhorn: Nothing to report. John Reedy brought up Rule #7 ...should fine be changed to %? It was decided by the Board to increase fine from \$50 to \$75. Rule #9 re. 73s on 75s teams. Should be kept in line with SSUSA rule for 2018 and only allow a maximum of five 74s on 75s teams. However, it was unknown at this time if SSUSA would change the rule and allow 73s again. Rule #23 - the 5 run rule. Gary T explained this rule was intended to keep a fair playing field and that the rule is doing what it was intended to do. Tom Bussey mentioned that SSUSA is thinking about adopting a 1-1 count. This was discussed by the members and decided it would not help speed up games.

Rankings: John Reedy had sent in the Final Ranking sheet and it has been posted. Changes to the format were discussed and it was decided the present way of ranking has worked very well and no changes were needed. Bob F gave tournament cancellation data, which had 28% of games cancelled, many due to weather and some due to poor date selection. At least 67% of teams won at least one tournament.

Rosters: Bob Ellwood will add that a maximum of five 74s will be allowed on 75s teams (no 73s).

Handbook: Gary T had asked each Primary to give a summation of his duties. Gary read Bob Fernandez's summation and mentioned that it was perfectly outlined and the duties mentioned were exactly what was needed. This was given to Don Angle to get in each Director's Handbook.

Website: Bob Hunter: Nothing to report. Bob Ellwood would send the 2018 Roster form in excel form, rather than PDF, so that it would be able to be filled out online.

Disciplinary Committee: John M: nothing to report.

New Business: Don Wever mentioned that his email address, effective November 1, will be dwwever@aol.com. The ADA Act Rule that SSUSA has in their Rule Book (4,5 pg 25) was discussed. It was decided by the Board to leave this as is and not make a special Rule in NCSSA. Bill Hill talked about a request that a team manager made to have a charitable donation message on our website in reference to homes lost in Sonoma in the recent fires. It was decided by the Board that we should have no messages promoting fund raisers as it would appear that NCSSA is endorsing the organization doing the fund raising. Bob F will send out the President's letter this week to get on the website prior to the General Meeting December 2nd.

A Motion to adjourn was made by Bill Picht and 2nd by Bob Elwood. Meeting adjourned at 1:20.

Next meeting will be December 2, 2017, which is the General Meeting, and will be held at Manteca. The times: Board meeting at 9:00.....general populace 10-1. Immediately following the GM the Scheduling Committee will meet. Submitted by Bob Hunter, Secretary