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**REGION ONE** Bob Fernandez John Moran **REGION TWO** Tom Bussey Tom Avery Darryl Watson **REGION THREE** John Reedy Don Wever Don Angle **REGION FOUR** Gary Tryhorn Joe Lewis Sam Scott **REGION FIVE** Bob Elwood Bill Picht Bob Sebring

## Minutes of the March 13, 2019 NCSSA Board Meeting Held at the Home of Gary Tryhorn

**Directors Present:** Bob Fernandez, John Moran, John Reedy, Don Wever, Don Angle, Gary Tryhorn, Joe Lewis, Sam Scott, Bob Elwood, Bill Picht

Directors Absent: Tom Bussey, Tom Avery, Darryl Watson, Bob Sebring

Bob Fernandez called the meeting to order at 11:11 AM

**Reading of the 1/16/19 Meeting Minutes:** A motion was made by Bob Elwood and seconded by Don Wever to accept the minutes as written. The motion was approved by all present.

**Treasurer's Report:** Don Wever distributed a copy of the 3/13/19 Treasurer's Report to all present. In summary, the report showed an increase in income of \$3,755 from the 1/16/19 beginning balance of \$12,669.37 Balance as of 3/13/19 is \$16,424.37. Major portion of income was related to team registrations and tournament related fees. A motion was made by Don Angle and seconded by Bill Picht to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was approved by all present.

**Scheduling Committee:** Gary Tryhorn informed the group that due to a mixup in field availability, Redwood City was forced to move its' tournament date from July 20-21 to August 17-18. Originally, in 2018, there were two other tournament directors that had requested that date. Gary contacted both directors and based on the responses, awarded the date to Bob Sebring. There was some discussion as to what procedure should be followed in the future when this situation arises. It was decided that "open date" situations would be referred to the scheduling Committee for discussion and action if required.

**Hall of Fame Committee:** John Moran reported that he has received a number of applications for the 2019 Hall of Fame balloting. He reminded everyone that March 31<sup>st</sup> was the last day that nominations would be accepted. Ballots and voting procedures will be mailed to all those individuals eligible to vote once the nominations have been reviewed and finalized.

**Hall of Fame Tournament Committee:** John Reedy passed out copies of the draft HOF flyer for discussion. There were several suggestions which John will review and incorporate if appropriate.

There was a discussion about different types of awards for this tournament and how the awards might be linked to the NCSSA 30 Year anniversary celebration. The types of awards and who receives them will be finalized by the next Board meeting.

**Rules Committee:** Gary Tryhorn brought up the penalties involved with being caught using altered bats. Gary mentioned that SSUSA has changed the suspension period for altered bat violations from 10 years to five years. He reminded everyone that NCSSA did not follow suit and will continue to impose a 10 year suspension for violations. Gary is looking into the purchase of altered bat testing equipment. A procedure for implementing a bat testing process will need to be developed.

**ByLaws Committee:** Don Wever presented his committee's proposed changes to the current bylaws. The proposed changes were discussed and it was agreed that the changes should be finalized and ultimately presented to the members at the 2019 General Meeting. A motion was made and seconded that Don Wever should prepare a summary of the changes and present them at the General Meeting. As required, the changes will be posted at least 30 days before the General Meeting.

**Ranking Committee:** John Reedy distributed draft copies of the March ranking sheet update. There were a number of questions regarding where to rank the new teams that have joined this year. John will finalize the list and release for posting shortly.

**Rosters Committee:** Bob Elwood reposted that he has received roster requests from 81 teams to date. Bob reported that the new software program developed to help tournament directors develop brackets and schedules is working well. He has trained a backup to use software when necessary.

**Website:** Bill Picht reported that Al Soares, our webmaster, will be on vacation from June 11<sup>th</sup> through July 1<sup>st</sup>. There are a half a dozen or so tournaments taking place during that time period. A suggestion was made and approved that in Al's absence, it would be the responsibility of each tournament director to notify the appropriate team managers of the tournament schedule & results. A notice of this change in procedure will be posted on the website and, in addition, a copy of that posting will be sent as a reminder to each tournament director that will be affected. Al has asked that a copy of the final results be sent to Bill Picht as usual, who will forward them to Al once he returns.

**Tournament Liaison:** John Moran indicated that he has started a file of all questions, concerns solutions, etc. regarding tournaments that can be used as a reference as future issues arise.

**New Business:** Don Angle passed out Director Handbook revisions updating the Board of Director contact information section. Updates are to be placed in the appropriate section of the handbook, replacing the outdate pages.

## Next NCSSA Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15th 2019 at 11:00 AM at the home of Gary Tryhorn.

Meeting adjourned by Bob Fernandez at 1:57 PM

Respectfully submitted by Bill Picht