

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SENIOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

REGION ONE	REGION TWO	REGION THREE	REGION FOUR	REGION FIVE
Bob Fernandez	Tom Bussey	John Reedy	Gary Tryhorn	Bob Elwood
John Moran	Darryl Watson	Don Wever	Joe Lewis	Bill Picht
Dave Cabral	Bill Hill	Don Angle	Sam Scott	Pete Lewis

Minutes of the May 5, 2021 NCSSA Board Meeting Held at the Home of Gary Tryhorn

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

Directors Absent: Pete Lewis, Dave Cabral

Board President Bill Picht called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM.

Reading of the Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the March 3, 2021 meeting as written. The motion was approved by all present.

Treasurer's Report: Don Wever presented the Treasurer's Report dated May 5, 2021. After minimal discussion, a motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was approved by all present.

Hall of Fame Tournament:

- The dates requested by NCSSA for the 2021 HOF Tournament have been approved. Tournament dates are August 12 through August 15.
- The Board discussed the current rule that requires all teams to participate in at least two (2) NCSSA tournaments to qualify for the HOF Tournament. Given the number of tournaments that have been cancelled so far this year due to COVID-19 restrictions, and the possibility that one or two more upcoming tournaments may be cancelled, there was concern as to whether teams will have sufficient time and opportunity to meet the current two-tournament requirement. A motion was made to waive the requirement for 2021. The motion was seconded and approved by all present.
- A motion was made to set July 26, 2021 as the cutoff/freeze date for making any changes to permanent rosters. This will encourage teams to get their roster changes in earlier and allow

sufficient time to process all the rosters. The motion was seconded and approved by all present.

- A motion was made to not put the 2021 date on the watches for this year's HOF Tournament and instead, add the words "30th Anniversary". This will allow the watches to still be valid for the 2022 HOF, in the event the 2021 tournament is cancelled. The motion was seconded and approved by all present.

Hall of Fame Election Process for 2021:

The Board discussed whether to hold the HOF election process this year. It was decided to suspend the process for 2021 due to a lack of candidates.

Practice Session Procedure:

The Board discussed how to handle tournaments that are called "Practice Sessions" on the NCSSA website. The event held in Tracy on May 1-2, 2021 was called a "Practice Session". John Reedy, the TD stated that the State of California has strict requirements regarding these types of events during the pandemic, some of which include:

- You cannot call the event a tournament; it must be called a *practice session*.
- No team can play more than 2 games per day.
- No awards can be issued.

It was decided that NCSSA will not be involved in game scheduling, the review and approval of brackets, providing insurance, player discipline, etc. for these types of practice Sessions. It was also decided that we will not post practice session brackets or game results on the website. All responsibility for administration and oversight of a practice tournament shall fall on the Practice Session Director.

Status of Committee Chairpersons:

Bill Picht surveyed the Committee Chairpersons to confirm that they were willing to continue as the Chair of their respective committee(s). John Moran indicated that he was considering stepping down as chair of the HOF Election Committee but decided to place this on hold for now since HOF nominations have been suspended for the 2021 season. All other Committee Chairpersons elected to continue in their roles as Chairpersons.

Backup for Webmaster:

It was decided that Bob Elwood would serve as backup to the current webmaster when necessary.

New Business:

- John Reedy mentioned that for tournaments in Pleasanton, we must be off the fields by 3:00pm on Sundays due to league play. He says that there will be no NCSSA tournaments in Pleasanton until that changes.

- Bob Elwood mentioned that he may need to revise the current roster form to make it the same as the one that is posted on the website. Doing this will significantly reduce the time and effort required to process team rosters and coordinate the player database and website information.
- John Reedy mentioned that he has shirts and watches in his garage that have been there for over 10 years that he would like to get rid of. He plans on throwing them away unless someone wants them.
- John Reedy mentioned that the NCSSA team rankings have been updated and noted that the teams highlighted in “green” are teams that have registered for 2021.

Next NCSSA Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 21 at 11:00 AM at the home of Gary Tryhorn.

Meeting adjourned by Bill Picht at 1:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Darryl Watson

5/11/21