

PASS (PORTLAND AREA SENIOR SOFTBALL) League Board Meeting  
November 3, 2022  
Delta Park Pavillion

MINUTES

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Bill Tidd called the meeting to order.

**2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Board Members: Ray Anderson, Rudy Ernst, Dick Johnson, Bill Kingsley, Tom Mayer, J P Morgan, Bill Tidd, Don Wheeler;

Team Managers: Mike Bishop, Rod Both, Ron Brown, Jerry Grover, Jim Gruber, John Hyde, Mike Lesh, Rick Mitchell, Randy Rice, Dana Sally, Steve Sheerin, Jack Smith;

Guests: Mike Ayers, Mike Crandall, Flor Fernandez, Ed Grover

**3. OPENING REMARKS**

Bill Tidd noted that we have a full agenda for discussion and decision-making.

The agenda item regarding amending the Bylaws on voting was brought before the Board at this time (Article V: Elected Officers, Section 2. Voting). The Board approved amending the bylaws to add: "Each Team Manager and Board Member will have one vote on League Rules changes."

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the February 16, 2022 meeting were approved.

**5. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Financial Report as presented by Ray Anderson was approved.

**6. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No Committee Reports were submitted.

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No unfinished business was submitted.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

### A. The Draft (League Policies & Procedures: Item 3, Paragraph 3 - 2/16/2022)

1. After discussion the proposal was approved that prior to the draft, Recreational Divisions Teams will have ONE manager, ONE assistant manager, and ONE additional player exempt from the draft. The Competitive Division will stay the same as before.
2. Order of selection discussion:
  - Approved using manager player ratings, along with Vancouver player ratings, to equalize teams.
  - In addition, each Recreational Division team may have a maximum of two “A” players.
  - The order of draft for the Recreational Division will be re-worked after every round, starting with the lowest team point accumulation.
  - Per discussion in meeting opening, it was decided that the Competitive Division will use the point system to start the draft only for the first round. After the first round, the teams will 1-X, X-1, 1-X, X-1 and continue pattern for the remainder of the draft. The Team Managers may select any player from any skill level during their turn.
3. Discussion regarding all team managers be present for the draft. This proposal was not approved. Mike Smith’s team can be pre-set because of traditional volunteers and older players comprising the team.

### B. Competitive and Recreational Division Participation (Competitive and Recreational Divisions Joint Rules - 2/16/2022)

- After discussion, a motion was made to remove restrictions and allow players to participate in any division, as long as they comply with age requirements. This motion passed (Voting: 4 Yes; 2 No; 2 abstained).

### C. Field Scheduling

1. Games during Reno/Sherman/St George Weeks
  - It was decided that adjustments will be made during scheduling. Recreational Division will stay the same and decision for Competitive Division will be decided later.
2. North Clackamas Park games week of 7/31 - 8/3/2023 for Mariners Youth Baseball.
  - After discussion, It was decided that adjustments will be made during scheduling.

### D. Proposed Alternating Innings on Field Option

- A proposal for each team to play without interruption when a shorter number of innings is played was made. Following discussion, the proposal was Not Approved. No changes will be made.

### **E. Home Run**

- After discussion a motion was proposed that a home run is a single after three home runs.. The exception is on the third home run with a courtesy runner, it is considered a walk-off and all runs count up to the inning limit. This motion was passed.

### **F. Foul Ball ( Competitive and Recreational Divisions Joint Rules - 4. Pitching, D. Foul Balls - 2/16/2022)**

- It was decided that foul balls will be called by the catcher for the Competitive League. For the Recreational League base coaches will call foul balls.

## **9. OPEN FORUM**

### **A. Infield Fly Rule**

- It was decided the Infield Fly Rule will stay the same as it is.

### **B. Running to the Bases**

- It was decided that no changes will be made (Vote: 6 Yes; 2 No).

### **C. Starting with a 1 and 1 Count**

- After discussion, this proposal was defeated by a vote of the Board and seconded by the Team Managers. The managers may decide if they want to try that for the second game.

### **D. Replacing Injured Players**

- After discussion, the managers will decide who replaces an injured player, upon agreement by team managers.

### **E. Players Not Showing Up**

- After six incidents of not showing up for games, a player can be transferred to a sub list. The manager may request to the commissioner that the player be placed on a sub-list and the commissioner can assign a replacement.

### **F. Change of Playing Days (no change anticipated)**

- Playing days will remain the same next year. Dick Johnson and Bill Tidd stated the reasons we cannot change.

### **G. League Rule changes will be determined by a vote of team managers.**

- This was discussed at the beginning of the meeting. Changes to League Rule will be decided by Board members and Team managers each having one vote on proposed changes.

## **H. Substitutes**

- Each team will consist of a maximum of 15 players. No changes were made to substitution policy and discussion clarified that managers shall select a player from the Bye team or substitute list when needed to fill a roster to 12 players.

## **I. Use of 11-inch balls for female participants**

- Motion to use 11-inch balls for female participants did not pass. All players will use a 12-inch ball.

## **10. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING**

- There are no Board meetings scheduled at this time. It is anticipated that the next meeting will not be before February 2023.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

- The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.