

Marco Island Senior Softball Board Meeting 11/11/14

Commissioner Bill Shurina called the meeting to order in the Social room of the Sandcastle 2 condominium at 8 AM.

Present: John De Rosa, Jerry Engel, Fred Kramer, Bill Kaschube, Bill Moors, John Remhoff, Leon Schmitt, Bill Shurina.

Absent: Tom Angelo, Tom Whitlock.

The meeting was called due to the very large negative response from managers and players of both divisions, pertaining to the boards November 1, 2014 authorization of a 6 team Marco Division, each team consisting of 15 players, and a 6 team Island Division, each consisting of 14 players.

There are presently 178 applicants. The board anticipates some applicants will withdraw but cannot, at this time, accurately assess the eventual number.

The two apparent options remaining, including their ramifications, were again, fully re evaluated by your board.

The first option is to maintain previous seasons formats of a 6 team, 14 player per team Marco Division and a 6 team 13 player per team Island Division, The league would then accept only the 162 applicants drafted (78 in the Island Division and 84 in the Marco Division). Those left undrafted, would have their application fee returned, thereby keeping the league at last seasons total of 162 players.

The second option is to establish a 7 team 20 game unbalanced Marco Division schedule with each team consisting of 14 players. The Island Division reverts to its previous format and roster of 13 players per team. This option allows the league to accept up to 176 applicants.

Motion made and seconded: Establish a Marco Division 7 team, 20 game schedule with each team consisting of 14 players. The Island Division retains its previous 6 team, 13-player roster and 22 game schedule.

Motion passed

PLEASE NOTE: In order to accommodate the 7 team Marco Division format, it will be necessary to begin the 2015 season on Thursday, January 8 with opening day ceremonies and 3 Marco Division games. The Marco Division will then also play 3 games on Friday January 9. The Island Division will open its season on Monday January 12.

Detailed schedules will be available at the appropriate time.

Motion made and seconded: Players drafted in rounds 7 to 14 in the Marco Division and in rounds 7 to 13 in the Island Division may function as a substitute one time per week. The Commissioner in conjunction with the Player Personnel Committee may make changes in the substitution rules, as the need arises throughout the season, without a formal board vote,

Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Moors