

MARCO ISLAND SENIOR SOFTBALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 4/9/13

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

PRESENT: Tom Angelo, John DeRosa, Jerry Engle, Bill Kaschube, Fred Kramer, Bill Moors, John Remhoff, Leon Schmitt, Tom Whitlock

ABSENT: None

Board Assignments: 2014 Season

Director Player Personnel: Bill Moors, Committee Members, Tom Angelo, Jerry Engel

Treasurer and Budget: Bill Kaschube, Tom Angelo

Internet liaison and League Statistics: Tom Whitlock, Bill Shurina

Secretary and Communications: Bill Moors, Tom Whitlock

Umpire Relations: John De Rosa, John Remhoff

Scheduling (regular season): Jerry Engel, Bill Shurina

Scheduling (preseason): John Remhoff, Leon Schmitt

Field Maintenance: Bill Shurina, John Remhoff

Rules, Legal: Fred Kramer, John DeRosa

Scorer's Booth: Leon Schmitt, Bill Moors, Tom Whitlock

Social and Civic Activities: John Remhoff

Newspaper Relations and Publicity: Bill Shurina

Sponsors: Bill Shurina, John Remhoff, Bill Moors

TREASURER'S REPORT:

At this time, all bills have been paid. There is a balance of \$8382.93 in the league checkbook. Specifics are available on request.

Ed Hamill donated his refundable 2013 application fee to purchase balls for the summer pick up games.

Because of increasing operating expenses, the board approved a registration fee increase to \$110 if an application is received by September 1, 2013. After that date the fee increases To \$150.

The sponsor's fee will remain at \$500.

Softer core limited flight balls will be experimented with during the summer pick up games.

The issue of a pitching screen was brought up as a safety feature. After discussion of the pros and cons, it was decided to maintain the status quo. Mention was made, but not voted on, of polling all those who pitch for a consensus.

Nick Jacullo will assume the post of Webmaster. Tom Whitlock will be the board's liaison,

The Commissioner and the Board of Directors extends it's sincere appreciation to Roger Fleming for his tireless efforts in establishing the website and maintaining it's present superior quality.

After an extended discussion of the league's use of the common draft vs. allowing players to express a preference for their choice of divisions, it was decided to maintain the common draft as it now stands.

A discussion of allowing overrun of 2nd and 3rd base in the Marco Division. This was prompted by comments by several players who have competed in both divisions. They felt that the potential for collisions and serious injury is increased with the practice of overrunning bases. The rules committee will pursue this subject further and report back to the board.

The question arose and a **MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND DISCUSSED** that the weekly schedule be changed whereby the Marco Division would play on Monday, Wednesday, and alternate Fridays while the Island Division would play on Tuesday, Thursday, and alternate Fridays, After a **TIE VOTE** the weekly schedule remains the same. The commissioner will seek further opinions on the subject.

The Player Personnel Committee will issue recommendations for the 2014 registration form to the board in the near future.

Tentative upcoming dates.

Oct. 1, 2013 –Deadline for applications for draft consideration.

Oct, 12 - Initial fall board meeting.

Oct. 26 or Nov. 2 – Follow up fall board meeting.

Nov. 14 – Island Division draft.

Dec. 5 – Marco Division draft.

Jan. 6, 2014 - Opening Day.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Moors
Tom Whitlock