



APRIL 2024

LAS VEGAS GAY SOFTBALL LEAGUE | Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, APRIL 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2024, | 6:30pm | MICROSOFT TEAMS

CALL TO ORDER: 630pm

APPROVAL OF MARCH MINUTES: CeCe Motioned

### **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

- **COMMISSIONER**

- No Updates other than to congratulate the teams participating in the Sagauo Cup
  - Vegas Warriors E – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place
- UIC indicated that the foul line would be traced all the way down from home plate to the fence, if it's not straight, it then becomes a judgement call.

- **ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER**

- No Updates.

- **TREASURER**

- Patric was absent, but Asst. Commissioner – Nate Carlson read the treasury report provided by Patric prior to this meeting – report below:

- **March 2024:**

- **Deposits:** \$9025.00
- **Withdrawals:** \$2654.44
- **League Balance:** \$65412.70
  - League Balance includes the following funds:
    - Neon Classic: \$6940.00
    - GSWS Donations: \$1050.00 (funds given during player registration).
- **Team Escrow:** \$19372.30
- **League Purchases:**
  - IPA Official Score Books: \$224.10
  - Run Off Safety Bases: \$199.38
  - GoDaddy Web Domain Renewal: \$179.64
  - GoDaddy: \$44.34

- Lineup Sheets: \$73.71 (\$45.00 Printing / \$28.71 ream of paper)
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- Commissioner – Dave Mondt reviewed the budget.
- **SECRETARY**
  - No Updates
- **WOMEN'S DIVISION COMMISSIONER**
  - No Updates
- **UPPER DIVISION COMMISSIONER**
  - No Updates
- **LOWER DIVISION COMMISSIONER**
  - Get final rosters into Heather or Nate for all teams. They need to be locked in ASAP.
  - Roster movement has occurred this year, at the end of the season is when Dave will be updating the IPS database. If there were any changes, or any players that weren't rated, coaches are then responsible for rating those players and getting that information to your division commissioner and Dave.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- **Ratings Committee**
  - Echoing heather's information regarding roster movements to get final rosters submitted.
- **Tournament Committee: N/A – No Neon Classic until 2025**
- **Outreach Committee**
  - No Representative
- **Sponsorship / Fundraising Committee**
  - No Representative

#### **Old Business:**

- Review and vote on 2024 Budget.
  - Approved with 10 votes.

#### **New Business:**

- By-Law Change Request
  - By-Law 12.1.1.13 regarding NAGAAA / ASANA Representatives Attendance related to Travel.
    - It currently reads and has some ambiguous language and is a bit outdated with the current economy.
    - Proposal advises that LVGSL will pay for reasonable accommodation for NAGAAA / ASANA representatives to attend winter and summer meetings.

- Propose to change from “by the league” no vote will be “by the executive board.”
      - **Passes with 10 votes.**
    - **General Discussion**
      - Instead of 500 r/t that flights should be designed for “standard economic airfare” – Theo is motioning to read as
        - **Passed with 10 votes**
      - CeCe asked if it makes sense to raise the per diem amount to \$50 to be a little more realistic.
      - Theo – suggested 75 per day
      - Anne – mentioned the Meal and incidentals web page that outlines daily per diem and that it averages out to between 65-75 per day for meals.
      - Dave advised for us to make a best practice regarding travel
    - Anne motioned to move the food per diem from \$40 to \$75
      - **8 votes passes to have food per diem raised.**
    - Nate motioned to close discussion and it was seconded
    - **Passed with 9 votes.**
  - By Law changes votes to accept amendment as written –
    - **Passes with 10 votes.**
- **Safety Concerns re: use of smaller ball**
  - Anne read the email provided to the league by Nancy Patterson.
  - Heather – advised that maybe use one or the other in an exhibition game due to the weight.
  - Cory – a couple of players on warriors advised that throwing the 11” ball was a little more difficult and maybe use one universal ball during exhibition games. Utilizing one ball would make it easier.
  - CeCe: Women are used to playing with the 11” ball, but women’s teams’ pitchers have to adjust to the 12” ball.
  - It does not appear to be a safety issue.
  - Jody: agreed that it’s not a safety issue.
  - Victor: what safety precautions are going to be taken to ensure that this is not a safety issue
    - Dave advised that the league does carry insurance if there is an injury that occurs.
  - Advised that if Nancy would like to have the by-laws changed she needs to submit a formal request and submit it to the league for review and approval at a following board meeting. Anne emailed Nancy to advise of formal request submittal process.
  - Closing discussion: **Passed with 9 votes.**

## Open Floor:

- Brett –
  - Rosters – did Randy get the royal flamingos roster submitted
    - Yes, per dave.
- Cory –
  - Safety Bags at doc Romeo, they weren't in the ground very well, a couple of players slipped and wanted to know if they were going to be more secure
    - Dave advised that they were a little slippery and acknowledged that they are heavy enough to stay on their own next to first base, Doc Romeo does not have pegs in the ground for these, but suggested that maybe a weight be added to make them harder to move. They did move more than expected, but these are put into place to avoid collisions at first base.
    - Brett advised that we may be able to purchase a base from adstar that has the white base with the anchor and the orange base that is attached to the white base. Dave will be looking into this further and present it at the next board meeting regarding pricing.
    - Tabling safety
- Daly – Asana world series
  - What is the process for this, how would a team get sent to asana world series if they'd like to go.
    - Asana is open – no qualification is needed. Per julie – any and all teams are welcome as long as they are registered under asana.
    - Dave encouraged that if women's teams would like to go, please let us know and we would review the by-laws on what the league would be helping in terms of costs.
    - Julie will need to assist – and will discuss with Daly on getting it taken care of.
- Heather
  - Reached out to cintas regarding first aid kits and AEDs on site at fields.
    - Nate advised that there are AEDs at the parks.
- Jody
  - advised that she will not be back for the rest of the season, but asked that people keep an eye on the gummies.
- Julie –
  - Thank you to the Lightning for helping to tear down their fields on Sunday
  - Thank you to Patric for setting up fields.
  - Coaches in meeting –
    - Please add to the chat how many women are on your roster.
    - Dave will be sending out an email to all coaches regarding this request

- **Sean**
  - Asked about the player transferring to the misfits and wanted clarification on that.
- **Tony**
  - Shoutout to the league in the entirety and how much support was given from the league while in Phoenix for the Saguaro Cup.

**Adjourn – Dave motioned Nate seconded – 750pm**