**Kansas City Metro Senior Softball League**

**Board of Directors meeting minutes**

**August 21, 2022**

The Kansas City Metro Senior Softball League Board of Directors met at 1:00 PM, Sunday August21, 2022, at 12326 Ash St, Overland Park, KS 66209. Present at the meeting were Clint Berger, Bobby Gregg, Barry Gordon (Billy Boos proxy), Jeff Harlan, Gary Pycior, Ray Harre, Bob Zimmerman, John Mondi, Susan Scholler (Ann Willkett proxy) & Dave Hendrikse. Absent were Ann Willkett, John Dehan, Terry Cloutier, Brad Uecker & Billy Boos.

1. **Call To Order** – Berger called the meeting to order 1:00 pm.
2. **Read / approve minutes from July 8th meeting** – Gordon made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Gregg. Passed 11-0-0
3. **Treasurer’s Report** – Scholler made a motion to approve the treasurers report, seconded by Harlan. Passed 11-0-0
4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS [**Default is “No Report” -- unless indicated with an “**R**”, for Report**]:**
5. **All Star Games / Picnic N. New Members / Welcoming R**
6. **Awards O. Operations Notebook**
7. **Board Nominations P. Player / Team Ratings**
8. **By Laws Q. Rules & Protests**
9. **Equipment / Safety / Health + Draft**
10. **Finance + Men’s Competitive**
11. **Legal / Risk Management + Women’s & Co-Ed**
12. **Long Range Planning R. Social Media**
13. **Manager’s / Player’s Survey S. Special Projects**
14. **Marketing T. Sportsmanship**
15. **Membership Database / Dues U. Tournaments**
16. **Military Service Wall V. Umpires**
17. **Mission Statement / Goals**

**B –** Spring championship shirts are ordered, should be in next week.

 **N –** We currently have 956 members. Had 965 in 2021.

1. **OLD BUSINESS:**
	1. **All-Star Games / Picnic / Skills Contests / Raffle recap…**and then any suggestions / comments for next year’s event- $1,265.00 income – Expenses were $2,900.00. More optimistic original assessment did not include the cost of Hartman Park’s usage.
	2. **Organization’s acknowledgement of Gary Eager (Woolery / Bennett), Tom Moats (Bakian / Hart) and Clyde Jones (??) incidents – currently set to occur at December Membership Meeting (Harre)** -- Ray is still attempting to collect additional information.
	3. **Suggested Use of remaining $50 Dick’s Sporting Goods Gift Certificates (Harre, Berger)** – we have ten additional certificates. Suggestion made for the ten conference coordinators that are not on the board of directors. Also suggested a raffle at the membership meeting.
	4. **Utilization of Elite Sports shirts offer by Terry (Gordon, Cloutier)** Wait for Terry Cloutier to present his suggestions on this whenever he attends his next board meeting
	5. **Filling of the Treasurer’s position (Berger)** – Three volunteers responded with interest, in response to the request in last month’s Newsletter. Jeff Harlan made a motion to bring on Paul Heacock as Treasurer. His availability, and interest, seemed to be the best fit for the job. Seconded by John Mondi. Passed 11-0-0
	6. **Committee vacancies still needing to be filled (Berger)** We have 3 vacancies still needing to be filled. Hopefully able to fill after this coming December’s election (if not filled with current board members by then). Jeff Harlan volunteered to be part of the Finance committee, along with George Callas. Still no one receptive to the Legal & Risk Management Committee (knowledge simply not known). A few board members plan to talk to some of the known lawyers in league (Insurance) – SSUSA (D&O), Bond (COI’s), Greg Mains (Risk Management).
	7. **Median advertising signs for KCMSSL (Gordon…. Marketing)** -- Hendrikse to look into making signs. We will need to address the rules / regulations relative to when, where, how, etc., such signs are allowed to be placed in the various medians Gordon is suggesting.
	8. **Sportsmanship issue (Zimmerman)** – Zimmerman reported that the Relics 65’s team, Tuesday night at Black Bob Park encountered some issues with the umpire a couple of weeks ago. Personal issues do not need to be added. Berger will submit yet-another Sportsmanship article in this month’s Monthly Newsletter addressing the need for us to follow our 30+ year old KCMSSL policy. We also have a pending Sportsmanship issue surrounding two players in the Monday night Black Bob draft conference. Rulings on this should be announced this coming week.
2. **NEW BUSINESS:**
3. **Any Board of Directors nominations (EVERYONE)** Current members up for re-election are Clint Berger, Bob Zimmerman, Brad Uecker, Ann Willkett & Billy Boos. Suggested board members (to date) are Mike Koontz, Michelle Ciafullo, Paul Heacock, Mark Kenny & Terry Jackson. More may be added between now and our next board meeting.
4. **New canopy tent to replace the one damaged one we now have?? (Berger)** – it was determined that we should purchase a new one.
5. **Conference Championships, Awards, etc., …status / update (Gordon)** – Gordon to pick up the 1st session championship shirts this coming week….for distribution.
6. **Don White’s memorial contribution – Cancer Action. Don passed June 26 (Berger)** – Contribution approved (which was designated in Don’s Celebration of Life publication.
7. **Mark Cuban’s Cost-Plus Drug Company -** [**https://www.costplusdrugs.com/**](https://www.costplusdrugs.com/) **(Berger)** – Berger had emailed information on this program (provided by Mark Splettstaszer) to the board for review. It was decided that posting any such information on our website, or Facebook page, could imply we are promoting / backing the program…which we do not wish to do. Therefore, Berger will make all pertinent information available to Mondi to post on his personal Facebook page, but we will not post on either of our sites.
8. **Humana signage on screens at roe Park (Harre)** – The city of Overland Park has made us aware that the Humana signs attached via bungee cords to the pitching screens does not abide with the “non-advertisement” park rules. Therefore, the signs will be removed from the screens and attached to each backstop prior to each game, and then removed after the games and kept in the storage shed until the next games to be played.
9. **The balls we loaned SSUSA have been returned.** – Since there do NOT possess our KC Metro logo, we will plan to utilize them during the All-Star Games and Wes Weddle tournament.
10. **Hall of Honor** – Communication done. Recommendations will be taken to the board the next meeting. Board of Directors who are also a Conference coordinator will designate a relative team member to be his / her proxy voter.
11. **Ambassador jackets** – We have nine men this year, to date. Jackets for the women to be determined and how many women do we have this year.
12. Due to the negative comments made towards our All-Star Game participant handouts this year, we are receptive to any member’s ideas for the participants going forward. It was the committee’s view that we continue to come up with different ideas, year to year. We’ve had plenty of shirts, a beanie hat, baseball hats, water containers, etc.

**Items desired to be included in August Newsletter email blast (BOARD preferences / suggestions)**

SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING - 6:15 pm, September 30, 2022 (Berger’s deck)

**Board members and years terms expire:**

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