**Kansas City Metro Senior Softball League**

**Board of Directors meeting minutes**

**October 23, 2022**

The Kansas City Metro Senior Softball League Board of Directors met at noon, on October 23, 2022, at 12326 Ash St, Overland Park, KS 66209. Present at the meeting were Clint Berger, Ann Willkett, Bobby Gregg, Barry Gordon, John Mondi, Susan Scholler, Brad Uecker, John Dehan, Ray Harre, Terry Cloutier, Bob Zimmerman & Dave Hendrikse. Absent were Jeff Harlan, Gary Pycior & Billy Boos.

1. **Call To Order -** Clint called the meeting to order at 12:00.
2. **Read / approve minutes from September 30th meeting.** Motion was made by Clint to approve the minutes. Seconded by Barry. Passed 12-0-0.
3. **Treasurer’s Report** Motion was made by Ann to approve the treasurers’ reports. Seconded by Terry. Passed 12-0-0. Per Paul, no concerns about our account. Trying to get all to balance for January, February, and March. One more invoice for umpires. Park locations are paid in full. Going to check with SSUSA about the insurance invoice for 2022. We have not paid this for 2022.
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 R**
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**

**A – All Star Games/Picnic -**Terry – needs to know what all we are going to do for the All-Star games/picnic. Going to need more assistance to run the skills competition. Terry is wanting to know about the location for next year. Terry asked about how many balls our League go thru in a year. We ordered 175 dozen for this year. Elite is going to have balls available for sale. They are going thru the process of getting them thru testing for SSUSA.

**N – New Members/Welcoming -** Barry – 2022 we had 958 members. Down from 979 members in 2021.

**P – Player/Team Ratings -** Clint – Gone thru the 155 new members on ratings. They will be updated and changed accordingly.

1. **OLD BUSINESS:**
   1. **Organizational acknowledgement of Gary Eager (Woolery / Bennett), Tom Moats (Bakian / Hart) and Clyde Jones (??) incidents – currently set to occur at December Membership Meeting (Harre)** Still in the works per Ray Harre.
   2. **Utilization of Elite Sports shirts offer by Terry (Gordon, Cloutier)**- Terry would like to have our logo on the front, board of directors on the back. Barry suggests our logo on the front top, a pic of high fives of some of our members at the all-star game on the front, continuing the back along with a picture of KC. Terry and Barry to discuss further the layout.
   3. **Conference Championships, Awards, etc., …status / update (Gordon) –** Barry – Championship shirts order is in, should have mid November. Would like to hand out at the December meeting. Gave Karen the names of all conference champions, and all the names of the winners of the Wes Weddle, Rookie of the year awards and Presidential awards. Will have the Ambassador jackets for both men and women available at the December meeting.
   4. **Raffle Giveaway items for the December Membership meeting (ALL)**- Clint, Dicks certificates (7) to give away, five free 2023 memberships. Couple of bat representatives last year, will not have this year. What sponsors will we allow to be at the December meeting? We are thinking our sponsors Delmar, Humana & Miracle Ear. Dave to reach out to the company that does are shirts, jackets, hats etc.
   5. **Status of Conference Coordinators for 2023 –** Saturday is still up in the air. All other conferences are staying the same.
   6. **Address lack of umpire situation, for 2022…any alternative(s) for 2023** – The lack of umpires is still a national problem. John Dehan would like to have the coordinators be sure to sign on to their Arbiter sports account and verify the games are on the schedules. This will help with being sure umpires are scheduled. When there are large tournaments out of town, it really effects our being able to provide umpires.
2. **NEW BUSINESS:**
3. **Board election mailer (for email blast ballot, and USPS mailing ballot) – Mondi** – Skeletal draft for the election mailer is being completed between John Mondi and Clint. Clint to get the final from John Mondi before November 3. Mail in ballots to go to Susan Scholler. We do have some mail out ballots to get out. Brad will mail them out again this year and make thirty or so additional copies to have the day of.
4. **Veteran’s Day (Nov. 11th) – Mondi –** John Mondi will get this set up again at Roe Park. Probably November 12, 2022. More information to follow.
5. **Promotional Campaign “Marketing” signs – Gordon –** Barry proposes we put up some signage at each of the parks we play at to promote our league. We need to check with each location as to if we can put these signs up. Dave to check on pricing for the signs.
6. **Manager / Conference Coordinator Appreciation – Gordon** – Barry – suggesting we recognize individuals who have been coordinators or managers. Suggestion was made to only do extra acknowledgment for the coordinators, not managers. We will introduce the coordinators at the annual meeting.
7. **Scott Flodin’s solution to communicating conference schedules & standings, etc.** – Scott is working on a format that each conference coordinator would complete, and it would automatically update the website. This would include schedules. More to follow as soon as we have information from Scott.
8. **Managers’ / Players’ Survey** – Clint sent out the surveys to the managers only.
9. **Pitcher Screens - winter storage –** All screens are put away, except for Roe. We are all in agreement to allow John Mondi to use the screens at his non sanctioned pick-up games.
10. **Bill Klinkenberg home visit -** Bill has been diagnosed with an extremely aggressive case of ALS. Clint would like to present him with the Presidential award. Was going to present this at the membership meeting, but Bill will probably not make it to this meeting. Clint will set up a date and time to do this in his home. Whomever can make it, please do so.
11. Motion made by John Dehan to adjourn, seconded by Susan. Meeting adjourned at 2:08 pm.

**Items desired to be included in October Newsletter email blast (BOARD preferences / suggestions)** Terry is going to take over donated gloves and little league bats to the Dominican Republic for youth and young adults. Would like to have them at the December meeting. He is going down in February.

**SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING** November 20, 2022, and noon Clint’s deck. Weather permitting.

**Board members and years terms expire:**

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