**Kansas City Metro Senior Softball League**

**Board of Directors meeting minutes**

**March 25, 2023**

The Kansas City Metro Senior Softball League Board of Directors met at 8:00 am, on March 25, 2023, at Tomahawk Ridge Community Center 11902 Lowell, Overland Park, KS 66213. Present at the meeting were Clint Berger, Ann Willkett, Bobby Gregg, Barry Gordon, John Mondi, Susan Scholler, John Dehan, Ray Harre, Gary Pycior, Jeff Harlan, Paul Heacock, Terry Jackson, Billy Boos, Mark Kenney & Dave Hendrikse.

1. **Call To Order** – Berger called the meeting to order at 8:02 am.
2. **Read / approve minutes from February 19, 2023, meeting.** Scholler made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 19th meeting. Seconded by Dehan. Passed 15-0-0.
3. **Treasurer’s Report –** Heacock sent out the reports earlier in the week for everyone to review. He has noticed some inconsistencies in the 990’s filed in the past few years. He is going to try and get them straightened out when he files this year’s report. Will probably just be an adjustment. Have not received the Humana check. Just under $64,000.00 between both the checking and savings accounts. Motion made by Willkett to approve the reports, seconded by Scholler. Passed 14-0-1.
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**

 **K/N. Membership/Sponsorships –** Gordon, we have now received the sponsorship check from Humana. We currently have 767 paid members for this year (this includes 64 new members). At the same time last year, we had 755 paid members.

 **G. Legal/Risk Management –** Paul Heacock and Ray Harre looked at the insurance. We are good on the directors’ and officers’ liability coverage. Years ago, we had a fidelity bond, which insures against someone stealing money. They do not believe it is in existence today. They will continue to investigate that.

1. **OLD BUSINESS:**
	1. **Scott Flodin’s solution to communicating conference schedules & standings, etc. (Berger)**. Scott is still working on this. Not sure of the timeline to have complete. May not be this year. There was an update, so the league sheets will have a different look. Karen Riffle will continue to update the website as far as scores, schedules, and standings, if she can get the information as a PDF, JPEG or PNG file. Word and Excel files will not be accepted.
	2. **Informational meetings – Waiting for a response from a couple of 55+ Active Adult Communities. And working on a few more (Hendrikse) –** No new information on the adult communities. Sent out some emails, has not heard anything back. He is going to take some brochures to some several places after the meeting.
	3. **Committee Chairpersons….and their additional members?? (Berger)** – Berger stated that Heacock has agreed to take over as Chairperson for the Legal/Risk Management committee.
2. **NEW BUSINESS:**
3. **Player ratings (George Callas)** – George presented an example of a gentleman that is 59 years old as a base rating of 8. George is asking for everyone to remember what conference they are rating individuals in. Supposedly he is the best short stop in the 55-year-old conference and his rating is a 4. When Clint sends out the re-rating emails and he has all the pertinent information on there as far as his age and what conference he plays in. The problem is that if the individual plays in two different conferences he is being rated by each player, in this instance in a 55-year-old league and a 35+ year old league. They each see his abilities differently. The best way to get the closest to a correct rating would be to only send out the re-rating emails to the individuals that play in that specific age conference for their age.
4. **Jim Chastain’s player rating process proposal (Berger) Berger** read Jim’s KC Metro’s Message Board post for his solution to the player rating reviews.

**Adding Veterans Community Project to our website’s Veterans Wall page -** <https://www.veteranscommunityproject.org/vcp-kansascity> **(All) -** Bob Uphoff would like to put the information, web link for this on the website. Scholler made a motion to add it, seconded by Harlan. Passed 15-0-0.

1. **2023 shipment of softballs not scheduled to arrive until end of April (Berger)** – We placed the order in June. The current expected receipt date is the end of April. We have enough in storage to get us started. We may not need to order next year. We will have to see how we proceed this year with them.
2. **Co-ed rule - “trial” of Texas rules in open inning – to eliminate lights-out at 11:00 problem (Berger)** – This is just on a trial bases for this specific conference only.
3. **Need for teams to complete, and turn in, the T-1 form (All)** – Only the women would like to continue with the actual signed T-1 forms.
4. **Certificates of Insurance for all venues (Berger)** – Berger does not have them yet. Last update – 3/24/23. Will get them out to us when available.
5. **Arbiter Sports –** John Dehan will discuss the usage of this app with this with the 3 individuals he needs to talk to after the meeting.
6. **Street-Side Placards** – Gordon handed out the signs to put up “alongside the entrances” at each of the venues. Reminded everyone to be sure to put them up when you get there and then take them down at the end of the night.

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

**SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING** (suggestion….) Sunday April 23, 2023, at 1:00 pm, Scholler’s office.

Willkett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Scholler. Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 am.

**Board members and years terms expire:**

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Barry Gordon Dave Hendrikse Clint Berger

Bobby Gregg Jeff Harlan Bill Boos

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