

**Board Meeting Date: Thursday – November 21, @ 6:00 PM**

The Kansas City Metro Senior Softball League Board of Directors met at 6:00 pm, on November 21, 2024, at Scholler’s work – Kansas Manufacturing Solutions – 14425 College Boulevard – Suite 120, Lenexa, KS 66215. Present at the meeting were Clint Berger, Billy Boos, Susan Scholler, Paul Heacock, Barry Gordon, Mark Kenney, John Mondi, Ann Willkett, Gary Pycior, John Dehan, Jeff Harlan (via Teams), Terry Jackson (via Teams), Monte Johnson (via Teams) & Dave Hendrikse. Missing was Bobby Gregg (Billy has his proxy).

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1. **Call To Order –** Berger called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.
2. **Read / approve minutes from October 27, 2024 meeting –** Scholler made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Johnson. Passed 15-0-0.
3. **Treasurer’s Report** - Heacock, the written reports were sent out via email for everyone to look over. We have an issue with field rental costs. Independence has not yet billed us yet. Heacock would like to get with all coordinators regarding next year’s projected budgets. Motion was made by Gordon to approve the reports, seconded by John Dehan. Passed 15-0-0.
4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** [Default is “No Report” -- unless indicated with an “**R**”, for Report]:
5. **All Star Games / Picnic I. Manager’s / Player’s Survey Q. Rules & Protests**
6. **Awards J. Marketing + Draft**
7. **Board Nominations K. Membership Database / Dues + Men’s Competitive**
8. **By Laws L. Military Service Wall + Women’s & Co-Ed**
9. **Equipment / Safety / Health M. Mission Statement / Goals R. Social Media**
10. **Finance N. New Members / Welcoming R S. Special Projects**
11. **Legal / Risk Management O. Operations Notebook T. Sportsmanship**
12. **Long Range Planning P. Player / Team Ratings U. Tournaments**

**N. New Members/Welcoming –** 2024 we had 129 new members. Ended the year with 977 members**.** In 2023 we ended the year with 971 members. Still looking to reach that 1,000 mark!

1. **OLD BUSINESS:**
2. **Wes Weddle RFP update – tournament at the Homefield-Legends complex (Hendrikse)** – Hendrikse has not heard anything.
3. **“Day at the K” (Susan Enyeart recap)** – Not present again for her recap.
4. **League umpires after the 2025 season – options (ALL)** – John Dehan will not decide until August of next year. He will be sure we are able to stay ahead of the game as far as umpires.
5. **Monday and/or Thursday Roe Park Draft conferences move to Frank White Complex (Heacock / Curley) –** Gordon reported they have made the decision to move the Monday 70 and the Thursday 60 to Frank White. Saturday will remain at Roe. There will be an announcement made at the membership meeting.
6. **Saturday morning draft for 2025—change to, or add 50 / 60 / 70?? (Heacock, Berger, Gordon)** – Gordon would like to wait and see what kind of numbers shake out.
7. **2025 conference updates – teams, coordinators, etc.??** – Berger reported that two teams from the Saturday morning 60+ competitive conference will not be returning. Per Harlan, Wednesday night-Hartman might lose a team and maybe gain a team. All other conferences look to be a go with no problems.
8. **Wounded Warrior tournament / game (Mike Thompson) –** Berger has not heard anything from Mike Thompson.
9. **Replacing our Supplemental Insurance with a “Waiver” similar to SSUSA’s (Heacock, Curley, Soltz)** – Per Heacock, he went ahead and requested the claims form for the player with all the injuries. Heacock and Curley are looking at other options and will report on that at the next meeting.
10. **Revising of our Hall of Honor requirements, qualifications and process (Gordon, Berger)** – Gordon was not the one who initiated the original requirements, nor was he the one who suggested the revisions to the requirements. He has come up with a simplified process. We the board come up with the candidates, then there must be 10 of the 15 agree, then it gets put out to the membership for a vote. Gordon will send out the new outline of his requirements for us to review.
11. **December Membership Meeting agenda – to be reviewed (Gordon)** – Gordon will run the meeting as Berger will be gone. Gordon has sent out a copy of the agenda. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact him. Two of our three sponsors will be there along with a possible new one – Stretch Zone.
	1. **Voting –** We currently have three board members that have not voted. Please vote.
12. **NEW BUSINESS:**
13. **New Wednesday night Draft conference at Happy Rock (Gordon, Berger, Deb Brown)** – Happy Rock is available on Wednesday, 2-3 fields. Waiting on Jody at Gladstone Parks and Rec, to get back with him on some questions that he had asked. This will be a 35+ hybrid (mixed) draft conference. This is just to try and get something started North of the river. It will not work unless we can get some coordinators and managers.
14. **Alternate process to Team Ratings (Mark Splettstaszer)** – Mark believes the current rating system needs to be looked at and redetermined as there are teams playing well above their team average. He suggests we have a committee that goes out and re-rates individuals after watching them play. A committee of not less than five and that at least 3 of the 5 go out and watch x number of games. We as the board will look at the sliding scale and then revisit this at a later date.
15. **End-of-the-season “membership” survey (Berger) –** Berger sent out the 12-page overview and Ann will extract the rules portion.
16. **35th or 36th season…as of 2025 ?? – cover of our Rule Book –** Berger indicated it should be the 36th season on the rule book next season.
17. **Additional pitcher protection screens (frames, netting), and strike mats—for Frank White (and Happy Rock?) –** Berger spoke with Jeff Weinstein about the mats. Clint has a company out of California where official mats can be ordered for $53.00/mat. Gordon has someone (Tim Robinson) he will get in touch with and get back with Berger. Clint spoke with Guier Fence and the frame would be $160.00 and the netting will be $130.00, so the total for each would be $273.00/screen. Deb Brown suggested stall mats from Tractor Supply. $39.00 and we can get two mats out of that.

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

**SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING** (suggestion….) We did not schedule a January meeting.

**Motion to adjourn the meeting.** John Dehan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Scholler. Passed 15-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

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