



**General Board Meeting
Monday, Aug 21, 2023
Minutes**

Board Members:

**Scott Beseda
Rick Baker**

**Randy Netherda
Bruce Drinkwalter**

**Tom Bose
Rich Christiansen**

Scott McCoubrey

League Members:

26 Attendees (Approx 8.8% of Members)

Meeting Topics:

Fall/Winter 2023-24 Registration:

Registrations will continue to be accepted for the next two weeks. We have a need for a minimum of 4 full time players. We need current players and managers help to communicate with friends and neighbors to get the word out to potential new registrants. Have any interested individuals reach out to any Board Member with questions.

- Currently 260 players are registered with a target of 264 players needed to achieve 24 teams. We also have 37 non-playing managers/assistants/subs/volunteers registered.
 - Once the target of 264 players is achieved, all sign ups after that will be placed on a wait list for permanent players in the order they are received. This is in the event anyone drops out before the draft. Once the draft is completed all remaining sign ups will be placed on the official sub list.
 - **Register now. Pay by Sept 1st.** Currently around 50+ players have not paid. You must have paid to be eligible for the draft. You can send a check to Tom Bose (16342 W Sheila Lane, Goodyear 85395) or pay through Zellepay.com (tbosePCSSA@yahoo.com).

Announcement of Managers:

- Game days and Managers are set for all three divisions:
 - American Division 8 Teams Games Wed & Sat
 - PC Air John Spencer
 - Augies Terry Ranta
 - Woodbury Financial Craig Hauger (Paul Zuckerbrow)
 - Donna Strand Randy Netherda
 - Edward Jones Scott Flynn
 - Big O Jon Jackson (Dan Rea)
 - Osborne Jewelers Erick Hubble
 - Spooners Mark Pollock
 - Mid-American Division 10 Teams Games Tue & Thurs
 - Argent Solar Ed Schneider / Bobby Frieberg
 - Karen Rueland Jim Rains
 - Anasazi Hugh Ferretti
 - Roy Johnson Rob Schwartz
 - Silver Spring Mike Forscheimer / Rick Baker
 - Pure Patio Fred Dresser
 - Islands Burgers Steve Fletcher
 - Arete Financial Rich Christiansen
 - SW Golf Carts Dawn Hangen
 - Hong Dentistry Brian Wagner
 - National Division 6 Teams Games Mon & Fri
 - AZ Ortho Bill Arsenault
 - Pain Killers Randy Bialkowski*
 - Kare Bears Lenny Maitland*
 - W Valley Golf Cars TBD
 - Palm Valley Oral Don DeCoste*
 - Suncoast Dental Steve Biffle
- *Sponsor may change

Draft Days

- American Division Mon, Sept 11th
- Mid American Division Wed, Sept 13th
- National Division Fri, Sept 15th
 - All players have until Sat, Sept 9th at 5PM deadline if they wish to change their preferred division prior to the draft (ex. Mid American to American or National to Mid American, etc.).
 - Once a draft day has been completed, drafted players will be notified by their new managers and a team roster will be published on the web site within 2 to 3 hours.

- **It is the obligation of all players who requested to be drafted by their preferred Division to check the web page to see if they were drafted.**
 - All players not drafted will automatically be moved to the next draft.
 - In the event a player is not drafted by their preferred Div and they do not wish to play in the lower Div, they must notify a Board Member **within 24 hours of completion of their preferred draft** that they wish to withdraw from the draft of the next Div or change their status to sub/coach/volunteer only.
 - Any player that is drafted and then chooses to not play will forfeit their \$160 entry fee.

Summer Projects:

- Three projects slated for completion this summer:
 - Fence upgrades, improving soil mixture around outfield/warning track area and Warm Up Area expansion will commence on/about Sept 11th through Sept 22nd.
 - **Volunteers are desperately needed** to take down banners prior to fence work and then upon completion to put them back up. We would like to have 8 to 10 four person teams to get the work completed each day. The fewer the teams the longer this will take. This is a chance to contribute and support the league. Please reach out to Scott McCoubrey or any Board Member if you can donate your time.

Rules Updates:

- There were 23 requests to modify rules of which 6 were discussed with Mark Roberts of the Rules Committee.
 - Managers coaching bases can wear jackets/hoodies during inclement weather.
 - 70' bases in the American Division only.
 - Duplicate jersey numbers on individual teams will be permitted.
 - A pitching screen will only be used in the National Div and is mandatory in all National Div games.
 - Specific details will be discussed with all National Div managers in a meeting prior to the start of the season.

- Any hit ball landing on the grass on the fly will be an automatic base hit in the National Div only.
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- If there are 12 players per team in the National Div only, all players will take a position in the field (at the managers discretion as to which position). This is not expected to happen during the 2023-24 Season as we are planning for 11 players per team.
- There is also a clarification as to what bats are legal posted on the website.

Key Dates / Miscellaneous:

- On Aug 30th there will be a joint American Div and Mid American Div Manager meeting in the Milan Room (Tuscany) at 9am to review the upcoming draft procedures (including players rated 23 and above, ghosts, etc.).
- A National Div meeting will be conducted after the draft to go over the upcoming season and new rules. Stay tuned for more details.
- New player evaluations will be conducted on Sept 5th, 7th and 9th at 8am at our field. There are potentially 16 to 20 players to be evaluated.
- Volunteers are still needed for umpires, scorekeepers and announcers. Mark Roberts will be posting a Sign Up Genius form very soon for those interested in helping.
 - Umpires will continue to be led by Steve Ward.
 - Scorekeepers will be led by Joe DeFamio.
 - Looking for anyone interested in taking leadership of Announcers.
- Bat Day will be Nov 5th for those who wish to buy/sell/trade a bat. There will also be a few Bat Vendors in attendance. Stay tuned for more details.
 - This will be the last season that any bats will be provided by the league.
 - There will be no new bats provided by the league this season.
 - There will be 4 bats per bench provided on game days. These will be refurbished bats.

Fall League Opening Day is tentatively scheduled for October 21st!!!!

Respectfully Submitted
 Rick Baker
 Secretary