

PEBBLECREEK SENIOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday August 20, 2014
Tuscany Falls

Board Members Present

Chuck Tredway-President
Ken Johnson-Vice President
Steve Fletcher-Secretary
Dennis Miazga-Treasurer
Fred Schmidt-Director of Player Development
Doug Wainwright-Director of Field Maintenance
Al Chandler-Director of Marketing

Board Members Absent

None

Call to Order: President Chuck Tredway called the meeting to order at 10 AM
The minutes of the May 21, 2014 Board Meeting were approved as written

Old Business:

➤ None

Committee & Director Updates-New Business:

- **Fred Schmidt announced the managers for the upcoming season as follows:**
Mike Burke, Al Chandler, Gary Jensen, Rich Karp, Dennis Makinen, Randy Prinz, Sandy Riddle, Mark Roberts, John Spencer, Ted Wallace, Steve Ward and Paul Zuckerbrow
Fred also announced that we are hovering around the 144 mark for players signed up which includes 15 new players.
He will send out some player details to the managers such as, which ones are Saturday only players so they can begin to plan for the draft and also include the Falcon Field practice schedule.
- **Year-end financials and current year budget-Dennis Miazga**
Dennis went over the budgets for last year and our present budget in great detail fielding questions as he proceeded. It was noted that without proceeds from ushering or PIR it will probably be necessary to raise player dues next year. Good job Dennis
- **Bats and Team Uniforms-Ken Johnson**

Ken announced that neither last year's bats nor the steel bats are available for purchase this year but that last year's bats can be utilized during games should you wish. Ken is looking at a higher grade Miken bat for this year saying that it has a larger sweet spot and is a better bat. It is anticipated that sample jerseys will be available to try on to decide sizes and that the draft will be completed in time to order jerseys by team and size and be available before start of season.

➤ **Sponsors-AI Chandler**

AI advised that all the sponsors will be returning

➤ **Field Maintenance-Doug Wainwright**

Doug announced that plans are made to concrete in the circle area left where the tree once was behind the third base bleachers; they will include the appearance of softball stitches in the concrete. He is also going to have the safety fencing extended north of the third base bleachers to provide protection during warm up for those using the concrete benches

➤ **Rules changes-Chuck Tredway**

Chuck announced the abolition of 3-rules; there is no longer a "catch up" rule, the 7th inning will be the only inning where a team will be allowed to score more than 5-runs. It is no longer mandatory that a team pitch to a player it intends to walk; however the board reserves the right to intervene if the "intent" of this rule is abused. It is no longer necessary to tuck your shirt in.

Chuck also announced 2-rule changes; in running to first base on a ball hit to the infield, it is necessary to touch the orange bag, otherwise if the umpire sees the infraction, he will call you out. This year an appeal is not necessary. Also, a player may sub 3-times a day and unlimited days in a row for the same team. Pitchers will be included in the same rule as other players.

➤ **Field improvements-Doug Wainwright**

Doug announced the purchase of a new home plate mat and a plan to add 2-mixtures to the infield dirt to insure a safer and more professional playing surface. A discussion ensued involving a concern about the raised sprinkler behind the pitching mound. It is thought that the additional mix would raise the level of the field a small amount thus this would no longer be an issue.

➤ **Team draft-Chuck Tredway**

Chuck announced that round one of the manager draft was over; this was the non-playing manager draft. Managers and Board agreed to complete round 2 immediately prior to player evaluations so managers

would have an assistant to help them if they were unable to attend the draft.

- **Questions/Answers (time allowing)**-Due to the length of the meeting, there was no time for questions and answers; most of those came during the regular meeting.

With no further business, it was moved and seconded that this meeting be adjourned. This meeting was adjourned at 11:12 AM. The next meeting will be on Wednesday Sept. 17, 2014 Tuscany Falls

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Fletcher