

NWSAD SOFTBALL BUSINESS MEETING
Thursday, June 24, 2010
King Oscar Motel
Lacey, Washington

Proceedings of the NWSAD Annual business meeting were held at Lacey, Washington on Thursday, June 24, 2010. Commissioner Saul Gevarter called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.

Roll Calls: Those in attendance were Saul Gevarter (Commissioner), Matt Spurgeon (Deputy Commissioner), Andy Campros (Sport Information Director), Joan Drown (Secretary/Treasurer), John Taft and Ron Allen (Co-chairperson), James Forncrook (Beaverton), Scott Walburg (Greatest Seattle Club of the Deaf Emeralds), Sarah Severy (GSCD Pirates Ladies), Kirk Zimmerman (GSCD Mt. Rainiers), Kitty McDaniel (Portland), Matt Johnson (Tacoma), Kristen Morin (Seattle Mermaid), and David J. Rowse (West Sound).

Delegate-at-Large attending is: Karen Atwood, Kevin Bella and Nancy Opheikens.

Parliamentarian: none

Opening Remark: Commissioner Saul Gevarter had welcomed to 40th Annual Men and 26th Annual Women tournament in Lacey, Washington. He is happy to hear that we have 13 teams (8 men and 5 women). Hope to have enjoyed having meeting and playing the weekend. He had more information on his report.

Current Host Chairperson Report: John Taft welcomed everyone to come to enjoy the games for the weekend. The fields were only 1.5 miles from the hotel. Had home derby with understand that we used other fields to use for home derby only. Friday night there had a casino and restaurant with discount prices at Hawk's Prairie Casino. The person from Recreation will explain the situation on the fields. There is having strict rules at the field. Please follow and cooperate with them. Different things that we have turn other inside of the fields. He introduced Ron Allen as co-chairperson.

Commissioner Saul thanked John Taft give his report. He asked the delegates to see if interested to bid for 2011 NWSAD Softball Tournament. So seemed no interested but some teams had considered to bid.

Saul asked Kevin Bella to take over to explain why NWSAD take over as host for three years. Several reasons are lack of leadership, lacks of manpower and lack of communication. Now it is your turn to understand how much NWSAD committee had been helped a lot.

Reading of minutes: Kitty McDaniel moved to accept the minutes of 2009 softball meeting with little change from 2009 to 2008. Main Motion passed

Executive Committee's Report: The executive committees have discussed several topics:

1. Bylaws need to have update
2. Revision
3. Host Chairperson's report
4. Fields
5. HR Derby
6. Program
7. Audiogram
8. Statistician
9. \$10.00 to interest for buying the record books
10. Flat fee

Officers' Report

Commissioner Saul Gevarter wanted to thank the delegates for putting their trust in me to be the Commissioner.

Congratulations to the Men's team – Hoys Boys winning the National Championship in Ft. Lauderdale, FL and Women's team – S.F. Stingers for runner-up.

Fall 2009 – Website wad down due to certain reasons

Winter 2010 – Website is up and running with a new design

March 26-28, 2010 NSAD BOD at Austin, TX

Agenda-

Re-organize ourselves

Rapport with the Board of Directors

Reduction on the number of officers at NSAD level (Executive Board)

4 regional tournament directors in 8 regions

Softball regions vs. multi-sports regions

The future of Hall of Famer inductees (many female players continue to play forever)

Improve NSAD website and regional websites

View on softball associations (ASA, USSSA, ISA and NSA)

New formula for selecting the national tournament sites

Coed teams

Kickball teams

Softball RULES – Strongly in favor for following NSAD rules to avoid any miscommunication

Bylaws- Review. Need to clean up. Put them into the proper order and into categories

“New” business and proposals

Newsletter bi-yearly?

Deputy Commissioner Matt Spurgon thanked to support his position. My job is still awkward but learns a lot weekend. Next time my job should better one. If the problem or concerns are solution, please contact the officers. I hope the weekend will be SMOOTH and have fun. He will work on update of bylaws after NSAD's bylaws are update and revision.

Law Committee – We will get into this in the Law Committee report coming up in this meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer Joan Drown thanked for the rosters and money. I know that it caused confused but I am glad that I have a videophone that best communication helps to understand. Thank again. Have a great fun at weekend.

Treasurer Joan Drown reported that 2008 is \$293.42 and on June 25 is \$5832.39. It is unaudited. Need to have Sonny Cabbage to sign for the audited.

Recorder Andy Campros saying hello and welcomed all to 5th decade of the softball organization and make to come. Completed 1971-2009 including 1996, Need your approval to make it official after conclusion of 2010 tournament published or c/o at reasonable rate and have several new categories added. Set up face book. Set up tournament results on face book and NWSAD website. Set up PayPal account. Redesigned NWSAD official score sheet. Announces those Halls of Fame induced are Keith Drown and Tom Popowski. Need to get better if we get any induce from the local where the tournament site and have ahead of time.

Recess at 3:05 p.m.

Return to the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

LAW COMMITTEE REPORT:

The bylaw changes which was referred to the Law Committee.

Motion No. 1

Motion Title: Change of Layered Fees to 1 Flat Fee per team

Motion Name: Andrew Campros

Proposed Motion: Change of layered to 1 flat fee per team, 1 flat fee covers everything

Rationale: Remove confusion layers of fees paid. Help make job easier for secretary/treasurer. Encourage more team entry into NSAD. Pay cost of field, referees, statisticians, liability, insurance by NWSAD and more.... \$ per team not per player. Breakdown for showing – flat fee

Estimated Financial Impact/Cost: Manage reserve fund for future in positive column.

Main Motion Failed

Motion No. 2

Motion Title: Suspension, Appeals, Due Process

Motion Name: Andrew Campros

Propose Motion: Replace all old bylaws Article 14 Section1-3

Rationale: Give NWSAD firm control, make tournament safer and fun place to go.

Referred to Law Committee

Motion No. 3

Motion Title: Section 15.3.3 >15.3.3.3 “CODA”

Motion Name: Joan Drown

Proposed Motion: Insert CODA in 15.3.3 “No hearing player, with exception of CODA” creates 15.3.3.1: CODA must meet eligibility rules of NSAD.

Rationale: Clarify where we stand on CODA issues. Protect NWSAD from any NSAD violation of rules

Main Motion Failed

Motion No. 4

Motion Title: SODA

Motion Name: Kitty McDaniel

Proposed Motion: For sibling of deaf family either brother/sister to be able to play NWSAD

Main Motion Failed

Motion No. 10

Motion Title: CODA

Motion Name: Kristen Morin

Proposed Motion: Age? Per family?

Main Motion Failed

Scott Walburg moved to close the old business. Passed.

New Business

Motion No. 1

Motion Title: "Eligibility"

Motion Name: Kevin Bella

Proposed Motion: Remove Bylaws 15.3.3 "Hearing Player"

Rationale: 15.2.1 NWSAD will adhere to the current rules and regulations of NSAD regarding team eligibility.

Passed

Motion No. 2

Motion Title: Appeal Process

Motion Name: Andrew Campros

Proposed Motion: Any person suspended or on probation has the right to file appeal with 30 days of the decision.

Referred to Law Committee

Motion No. 3

Motion Title: Amendment Certified Effective

Motion Name: Andrew Campros

Proposed Motion:

Referred to Law Committee

Motion No. 4

Motion Title: Change layered fees to flat fee

Motion Name: Andrew Campros

Proposed Motion: Need to change from layered fees to 1 flat fee.

Rationale: Make it easy for everyone involved.

Referred to Law Committee

Scott Walburg nominated Joan Drown as Secretary/Treasurer. ACL

Kitty McDaniel nominated Andrew Campros as Sports Information Director. ACL

Announcement:

Need to know how many teams of NWSAD will go to NSAD. Will elected on new officers for NSAD.

Kevin Bella told that he worked with the law committee of NSAD. Lots of change the bylaws and cleans bylaws. Hope it will better one.

NWADB will be at Reno, Nevada

The business meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

Submitted by:

Joan Drown
NWSAD Secretary-Treasurer