



# DENVER AREA SOFTBALL LEAGUE



## Meeting Minutes January 8, 2022

### Opening

A meeting of the Denver Area Softball League was called to order at 10:34 am, on January 8, 2022 via Microsoft Teams by Secretary Mike Barrett. Introductions were given to board members as well as managers and players.

### Members Present

Beth Hoehler – Women’s Division Assistant Commissioner

Kat Martinez - Treasurer

Mike Barrett – Secretary

Jennifer Adelman – Women’s Division Member at Large

Roger Japp – Open Division Member at Large

### Guest Present

PC – Smart A’s & Slowskis

### Approval of Agenda

The agenda was emailed to the membership prior to the board meeting. No additions to the agenda were made.

### Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the November 9, 2021, meeting was reviewed by the membership. Roger Japp moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting; Mike Barrett seconded the motion. Passed.

### Treasurer’s Report

PC updated the board on what DASL currently has in our accounts. \$706.20 in the DASL account while the Rocky Mountain Roundup has \$1360.10 in their respected account. PC outlined that the following fees have been paid:

| <u>Expense Name</u> | <u>Due Date</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Officer’s Insurance | December        |
| Post Office Box Fee | December        |
| NAGAAA Fees         | December        |
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The upcoming expenses that DASL will occur are as follows:

- Field Permit – this includes a DASL Field Day
  - March 15, 2022
  - April 24, 2022

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- May 15, 2022
- Insurance for the fields
- Open & Women's Division Softballs
  - 9 dozen for the Open Division
  - 6 dozen for the Women's Division
- Game Lineup Cards
- Scorebooks
- NAGAAA Winter Meetings
- DOT Easy
- Wix Webpage Renewal

Roger moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Jennifer seconded the motion. Passed.

## **Public Comment**

Mike discussed the DASL Teams that will be attending upcoming NAGAAA Tournaments that include the Game Cocks (Sin City Classic in Las Vegas, NV) and the Denver Cowboys (Gasparilla Classic in Tampa, FL).

## **Discussion & Action Items**

- **NAGAAA Updates** – PC discussed the updates from NAGAAA. Mike and PC will be attending the upcoming NAGAAA Winter Meetings that will be held in Dallas, TX, February 4-6. PC also discussed the 2022 NAGAAA Ratings changes. Changes to the questions will occur after the Gasparilla in Tampa. It was discussed of a possibility that NAGAAA will send out a video to member cities explaining the ratings change.
- **Community Outreach Update** – Roger stated that there were no items to discuss from Community Outreach during the meeting.
- **DASL Player & Team Fees** – The board discussed offering a half season for players that are non-member affiliated to qualify for the 2022 GSWS in Dallas. The modified season would include 4 weeks of play for individuals wishing to only qualify for the GSWS and will not be eligible to play in the DASL EOY Tournament. The estimated team fee will range from \$175.00-\$200.00 for the modified season with a player fee of \$40.00. PC stated that having the modified qualifying season will allow teams to be rated and entered in the NAGAAA Database as well as the modified players will not retain voting rights in the DASL Election. Roger moved to set the modified qualifying season team fee at \$200.00 per team and \$45.00 for player fees. Mike seconded the motion. Passed.
- **DASL Committees** – Committee updates were then given by the respected committee chairman:
  - **Fundraising & Sponsorship Committee**
    - Chairman – Roger Japp
    - Members – Mike & Jen
    - Fundraising – Roger & Mike updated the board on the upcoming beer bust schedule at Denver Sweet.

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- January 23 – Hosts – DASL & Cowboys
- February 13 – Host – DASL
- March 27 – Host – DASL
- April 3 – Host – Rocky Mountain Roundup
- Sponsorship
  - Tight End will sponsor DASL for the 2022 Season as well as the Rocky Mountain Roundup in September 2022.
  - \$500 donation from Tight End to DASL - \$300.00 to DASL and \$200.00 to the Rocky Mountain Roundup. – Steven will mail the check to DASL at P.O. Box 40544 Denver, CO 80204.
  - Tight End will generate a banner for the tournament as well as for the league that will be displayed during DASL Events.
  - Annual DASL Daiquiri Day – Steven will check to see the liability to come to the field in July and serve Daiquiri's
  - April 30, 2022 – 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm DASL Player Registration – Tight End will host Player Registration on this day.
  - Drink Cards – Tight End agreed to do Drink Cards for Player Registrations – Mike will coordinate with Octavin & Steven once registration for Players Opens.
  - Drink Specials – DASL will advertise via social media \$2.00 off Drink Special for players wearing jerseys to the bar.
  - DASL will provide the following to Tight End:
    - 11x17 Team Photo, League Photo that will be displayed in the bar as part of the sponsorship.
    - Provide the DASL Logo and Rocky Mountain Roundup Logos to Tight End
  - Fundraising Brainstorm
    - Gay Olympics
    - Beer Pong Tournament
    - Relays
    - Thursday Evening Beer Bust
- 3 Kilts – Roger will reach out to 3 Kilts regarding the 2022 DASL Sponsorship with an update provided at the February DASL Meeting.
- 2022 DASL League Shirts – Jen proposed that DASL sells league shirts for the 2022 season. PC stated that this was not included in the 2022 budget and would require the board to amend the budget to include this line item. Roger moved to instruct Mike to explore shirt printing prices with vendors to report at the next DASL Meeting.
- **Membership Development Committee**
  - Co-Chairs – Tyler Curtis & Jennifer Adelman

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- No Update at this time
- **Ratings Committee**
  - Chairman – Mike Barrett
  - Members – PC & Beth
    - Field Day & Ratings Clinic – Mike stated that the committee plans to host a field day and ratings clinic for players and encouraged all open division managers to attend in the spring to gain understanding of the 2022 NAGAAA Ratings. Roger moved to host the field day on April 24, 2022, at Vanderbilt Park. Beth seconded the motion. Passed. PC stated that the cost of the fields will be \$160 for two fields at \$40 per hour. Mike moved to host the field day on April 24 utilizing two fields (1 hr on Field 1 and 2 hrs on Field 2). Beth seconded the motion. Passed.
    - Bat Clinic – Mike also proposed a bat clinic for board members prior to the start of player registrations to recognize illegal bats. PC stated that she will order bat stickers for the season to be used for bat inspections at registrations. All bats must be checked prior to taking the field.
- **Rocky Mountain Roundup Tournament Committee**
  - Tournament Director – Mike Barrett
  - Field Coordinator – PC
  - Treasurer – Kat Martinez
    - Fields – PC is working with Golden to secure the dates for the 2022 RMRU that will be held September 17-18.
    - Player Registration – Mike is working with Denver Sweet to host the registration party.
    - Budget – The committee developed the 2022 tournament budget that was forecasted around 20 teams.
    - Hotels – Mike is currently working with the host hotels and awaiting contracts for the negotiated room rates.
    - Sponsorship BBQ – Mike is working to reach out to Marathon Petroleum and PDC Energy for the BBQ/Concessions sponsorship.
- **Parks & Recreation Update** – PC reminded the board that player fees go into the DASL activities and encouraged all divisions to attend field day.
- **2024 NAGAAA Cup Exploratory** – Roger, PC and Mike met with the Visit Denver Commission to discuss the feasibility of possibly hosting a future NAGAAA Cup in Denver. PC stated that NAGAAA Cup is offered to Open Division A&B Players only. The bid fee that would be payable to NAGAAA during the winter meetings in Dallas is \$1500.00. It was decided that the given short timeline by NAGAAA, that Visit Denver and DASL could not meet the requirements to submit the bid for 2024 but would consider future years.

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- **DASL Conflict of Interest Policy** – Mike discussed that all sitting board members need to complete the required DASL Conflict of Interest by the February meeting.
- **DASL Bylaws & Rules of Play** – Mike reviewed the changes to the current DASL Board Bylaws and Rules of Play. Jen moved to adopt the changes made during the November board meeting. Roger seconded the motion. Passed.
- **In Person Registration Schedule** – PC stated that the board needs to get back into the local bar sponsors as a way to give back to the community. Mike moved that at the February DASL Board Meeting the board sets the In-Person Player Registrations as player registration opens on March 15, 2022. Beth seconded the motion. Passed.

## **Next Meeting**

- The next meeting will be February 12, 2022, at 10:30 am via Teams.

## **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm. The motion was made by Roger and seconded by Mike. Passed.

**Minutes submitted by:** *Michael J. Barrett*

**Approved by:**