



DENVER AREA SOFTBALL LEAGUE



Meeting Minutes *January 11, 2020*

Opening

The regular meeting of the Denver Area Softball League was called to order at 11:00 am, on January 11, 2020 at Trade by Commissioner Becky Richmond. Introductions were given to board members as well as managers and players.

Members Present

Becky Richmond – Commissioner

Mike Barrett – Secretary

PC – Treasurer

Kat Martinez – Women’s Member at Large

Thomas Herrera – Open Division Member at Large

Nate Larkins – Open Division Member at Large

Guest Present

Ben Winn – Denver Cowboys

Jason Ashby – Storm

Brandan Burns – Storm

Roger Japp – Daddy’s Boys

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was passed out during the meeting by Becky Richmond. No additions to the agenda by membership.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the December meeting were reviewed by the membership. Roger Japp asked to be added to the email chain. PC moved to approve the minutes, and Kat Martinez seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report

The Treasurer’s Report was given by PC. Currently, DASL has **\$4,813.15** in funds. PC stated that NAGAAA dues have been paid for 2020. It was moved by Kat Martinez to accept the report as given and seconded by Nate Larkins. Motion passed and the Decemberr Treasurer’s Report was approved. PC stated that she has extra scorebooks left and the league will need roughly 30 scorebooks for the season. Nate recommended

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as well as Kat to utilize the scorebooks that PC has. PC reminded the upcoming fees and amounts as follows:

<u>Fee Type</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
U.S. Post Office Box Fee	January 31, 2020	\$75.00
Payment for Fields	Mid-February 2020	\$5,600.00
Insurance	Mid-February 2020	\$454.00-\$484.00

Open Issues & Public Comment

Public Comment – Brandan Burns from the Storm informed the board that the Storm will be hosting a Beer Bust at the Triangle on January 26, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. and that volunteers were needed to help the Storm pour. PC asked if DASL could host a table at the Beer Bust and that volunteers were needed to help set this up. Mike Barrett, Thomas Herrera and Kat Martinez volunteered to help with the DASL Table and Beer Bust.

Discussion & Action Items – New Business

- ***NAGAAA Updates & Mediation***
 - NAGAAA Updates - Becky Richmond informed the board of the NAGAAA Winter Meeting January 25 & 26 in Columbus, OH.
 - Mediation Activities - Becky met with GDASA and discussed options for the groups to work together, a qualifying season with GDASA, discussed the mediation between the two in addition to the returned paperwork from the post office. Becky updated the board and guests on the previous mediation attempts with GDASA. DASL has submitted response to accept mediation to bridge the gap between the two groups and the mediator selected by GDASA is currently working to setup a time for all involved parties. Becky would like to have a witness for the conversation Kat Martinez volunteered. Becky is also reaching for counseling and recommends from NAGAAA. DASL has prepared a memo to outline the communications between the two groups for the Winter Meeting. Kat Martinez proposed possible ways to communicate to the GDASA Group on ratings in the form of a Town Hall Meeting.
- ***Tournament Committee Update*** – Mike Barrett, PC and Jason Ashby presented the group an outlined projected budget to host a tournament. The total amount needed to put on the Rocky Mountain Round-Up is \$4,000.00. The tournament will be for C, D, E Divisions and games will be played at Ulysses Park in Golden as PC has secured the fields and the umpires. The draft logo for the tournament was also presented to the board with positive feedback on the tournament as well as the logo. Jason Ashby told the board about the expected costs to generate a website for the Rocky Mountain Round-Up. Becky Richmond and Kat Martinez both donated \$100 to the tournament committee to pay for the cost of creating the website. Nate Larkins instructed the tournament committee to have the website

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generated and operational by the next DASL Board Meeting in February, Kat seconded and motion passed.

- ***DASL Field Day***
 - The board agreed to have a 2020 Field Day based on consensus of the group for April 26, 2020 at Grampsas in Golden.
 - The board suggested to run the Field Day from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. with interleague play as like last year.
- ***DASL Manager's Meeting***
 - The 2020 Manager's Meeting will be held at Gladys on April 29, 2020 at 6:00 pm.
- ***DASL Beer Busts***
 - DASL is still awaiting to hear back from Chris at Trade for the 2020 Beer Bust Schedule.
- ***DASL Registration***
 - January 11, 2020 fee can be submitted via PayPal or to the DASL PO Box mailing address.
 - Additional fee \$5.00 to use online payment or a card.
 - The set fee structure will follow the 2019 DASL Fees and are posted as follows:
 - Women's Division Fees - \$50.00
 - Open Division Fees - \$55.00.
 - Women's & Open Fees - \$60.00.
 - Thomas Herrera moved for the \$5.00 surcharge for credit/debit card sales, Kat Martinez second. Motion passed.
 - Team Fees - Early bird \$300, Feb 15 \$350. PC instructed Becky to work on opening the registration Nate Larkins seconded. Nate moved to keep the dates as is Mike Barred second. Motion passed.
- ***2020 DASL Player Registration***
 - Becky stated that the Player Add Me is now available for pick-up players for the 2020 season.
 - It was determined by the board to have in person player registration at bars that support the league such as Trade, Gladys, Mary's and possibly the R&R. The player registration will open up on March 15, 2020 and was suggested to post online a disclaimer that states "Team Registration is still open as registration closes on April 24." The player registration will close the Friday before opening day. On opening day there will be a \$10 fee increase for players that register on opening day at the fields.
 - Nate Larkins moved, and Kat Martinez seconded the player registration fees and dates. Motion passed.
 - Nate instructed PC to reach out to Mary's and Trade for dates for the in-person registration. Currently, the board proposed to have April 19 registration at Mary's from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, and April 11 at Trade. Nate moved and Kat second for PC to have dates and locations by the next meeting. Motion passed.
 - PC distributed the *Conflict of Interest Policy* that was signed by those present during the meeting.

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Discussion & Action Items – Old Business

Rules & Bylaws Review

- Becky then opened the floor for discussion of the DASL Rules and the discussion is as follows:
- **Rule 18** – Jewelry – Jason Ashby proposed some grammar changes to the regulation. Nate Larkins moved to accept the rule and Thomas Herrera second. Motion passed.
- Becky then called for discussion to the DASL Bylaws as follows:
- **Article V Section II** – Becky stated the change to rule should say Appoint at least 1 individual and make additional positions based on participation numbers. Nate Larkins moved to accept changes as written in the board meeting Kat Martinez seconded. Motion passed
- **Article V Section IV** – Addresses Voting Rights – Becky stated the changes that need to be applied to include that the Webmaster has no voting rights on the DASL Board. Nate Larkins moved to accept the cleanup and Kat Martinez seconded. Motion passed.
- **Apparel Fundraiser**
 - Mike Barrett updated the board that Denver Athletic has not been responsive to the request to have online ordering with part of the profit given to the board for merchandise being sold online.
 - PC suggested to look at Sportslines to see if it was possible. Mike has also been working with Mother Cutter in Parker for the shirts. It was decided to use the current DASL Logo and to add the words “25th Anniversary” under the logo. Mike showed the board shirt samples from Mother Cutter. Further discussion will be had at the next meeting on the direction to go.
- **Mr. & Ms. Softball Fundraiser**
 - Mr. & Ms. DASL Softball – Nate Larkins updated the board July 25, 2020 from 7-10 pm will be the show at Gladys’s.
 - The Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with CoHost Nate and Cookie Fortunia. Kay Hausensus, PC, Chris for judges. Volunteers will be needed for ID check. Nate said that volunteers will be needed to count raffle tickets and a volunteer for tabulator of votes.
 - Tom Herrera moved to table this to the next meeting.
 - Becky suggested to do 50/50 raffle during the event. Jason suggested to make it a fundraiser for the tournament. DJ is \$125 an hour and Nate suggested to do the DJ ourselves.
- **Qualifying Season** – Becky stated that this will be discussed post NAGAAA Winter Meetings along with membership privileges and board eligibility.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm. The motion was made by Nate Larkins and seconded by Kat Martinez. Becky then stated that the next board meeting will be 11:00 am on February 9, 2020, location TBD.

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Minutes submitted by: Michael J. Barrett

Approved by: