

GREATER LOS ANGELES SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Women's Division League Meeting

MINUTES OF MEETING: March 4th, 2012

APPROVED BY LEAGUE: _____

Board Members Present:

Commissioner	Nancy Nomura
Co-Commissioner A/B	Rosie Romo
Co-Commissioner C	Monica Aguilar
Co-Commissioner D	Rose Eustachio
Treasurer	Favi Resendiz
Secretary	Rosalyn Bugg

Team Representatives Present:

Chix with Stix	Katrina Nason/Jennifer Young
Deuces	Tracy Goldberg/Trudy Dehner
Envy	Carrie Brandon
Five Hole	Laura Sherman/Carol Gable
POW	Elizabeth Perez/Anne Marie Herrera
LA Bandits	Christy Lee
LA Wildcats	Shannon Calderone
Nemesis	Anita Haisten
Playerz	Kathy Butterworth
Really Though	Joe Evangelista
Rebels	Erin Shapiro
Sandlot	Nancy Cook
Screwballs	Catherine Danford
Wicked Women	Amalie Brown-Orme

Team Representatives Not Present:

Hit and Run

Call to order

12:47 pm

Teams delivered paperwork to both secretary and treasurer.

It was noted that there was no printed agenda for the meeting. Agenda was identified as follows:

- Finance Report
- ASANA Meeting Report
- 501.C3 status
- Breakdown of Summer 2012 Season
- Review and Voting on Bylaws and Code Updates

- Fundraising Report
- Classification Update
- Open Issues

Handouts were given to team representatives:

- Financial Statement as of December 2011
- Financial Statement as of January 2012

A. Finance Report

Favi reviewed the current financial statements.

Motion to accept the report: Nancy Cook
Second: Catherine Danford
Approval of Motion: Unanimous

Agenda was modified to allow an announcement from Christine Jordt regarding the Revlon Run/Walk.

B. Revlon Walk

Christine Jordt announced that she would like to lead a group representing GLASA at the Revlon Run/Walk in May. Information would be distributed to the managers, and that it would be appreciated if the material could be sent out to the individual players, as well as posted on the website.

C. ASANA Meeting Report

Nancy broke down what happened at the ASANA meeting in San Diego and gave handouts out to teams regarding fundraising ideas that were presented to the cities.

D. 2012 Summer Season.

1. 501.C3

Nancy gave the current update from the Open Division on the 501.c3 Status – “Still in process but closer than we have ever been.”

2. Schedule Discussion: part one

Board identified for body that as soon as number of teams is identified, then a schedule could be determined. Body was informed that Board was looking to give each team from 12 – 15 games for the season. Rosalyn Bugg noted that there was at least one team not at the meeting that had identified that they were returning, and made a motion to extend the deadline for submission of roster and payment until Wednesday, March 7th.

Motion to extend the deadline: Rosalyn Bugg
Second: Laura Sherman

Discussion on the motion:

There was much debate regarding the reasoning behind extending the deadline. After a lot of discussion regarding whether it would be fair to the players of that team to not be

allowed to play based on the negligence of their coach, it was voiced that since all of the other teams complied with the guideline, that it was too bad for the players that the manager missed the deadline, but that no other courtesies should be given at this time. The D Commissioner identified attempts to contact manager of said missing team, and also asked for more time for those players. Group consensus was that those players could find other teams for summer if they wanted to play.

R. Bugg withdrew the motion.

K. Nason noted that by imposing this guideline, that the new team would be discriminated against, as they were still forming, and that the commitment of less than 10 players would , by following the bylaw, would also push them out. Coach R. Bugg identified that she was ready to cover the financial obligations for that team until they were formed, and believed that she would have more than 10 players. She did admit that she did not have 10 committed players as of the meeting.

Motion to allow the clinic team additional time to gather needed commitments:

Katrina Nason

Second:

Nancy Cook

Approval of Motion:

Unanimous

3. Schedule Discussion – Part Two

R. Bugg identified that now that the number of teams were set, that board could move forward with scheduling process. It was reported that Glendale had taken May 20th as well as June 10th for their use, but that the league was already taking off May 27th and June 10th for Memorial Day and Pride respectively. Board also discussed the fact that there would be no approved byes, and that games would be scheduled for Easter, Mothers and even possibly Fathers Day in order to give the teams as many games as could be allocated within our budget and timeframe.

There was then a lot of discussion from the body that the schedule needed to be produced and sent out asap so teams could make their plans for summer.

Motion to have the schedule completed and out by Wednesday, March 7th, 2012:

Laura Sherman

Second:

Nancy Cook

Approval of Motion:

Unanimous

4. ASA & Insurance Update:

Nancy Nomura identified that the league had two extra ASA memberships and insurance coverages that were purchased for two teams who are no longer playing this season. Board stated that the two new teams would take the memberships, but that the insurances were open for teams to pick up. Board asked that teams review their situations and get back to us.

E. Bylaws and Code Motions

R. Bugg set up projection for presentation on bylaw and code updates to league IOG. There was some delay as Secretary Bugg was not good with her A/V skills on that day. As presentation on bylaws began, it became apparent that members did not have the appropriate materials in hand, and felt unprepared to move forward with this activity.

Nancy Cook requested that the Board send materials out via mail and find a way to review and vote on these items via online approvals. R. Bugg noted that she could re-send materials to team representatives for review and voting, but that those would be the same materials were sent prior to the meeting. She agreed to look into online voting mechanisms. Presentation was ended.

K. Nason requested that redline material also be sent for review to selected personnel who would like to read that. N. Cook also requested redline material. R. Bugg requested that anyone who would like the redline please communicate with her for these documents.

F. Fundraiser Status

R. Bugg passed out information regarding Switchhitters participation to all team representatives. It was noted that we had a volunteer who was going to coordinate our participation, and that this was one of the fundraising opportunities that the board was examining as per membership request in meeting on November 2011. It was announced that board would present fundraising update in the next meeting in April.

G. Player Classification

Gloria Dimas made a quick presentation regarding the status and future for classification committee. After reviewing the processes, she made motion to change the current code to allow players with two reviews of the same level to be accepted instead of having to complete three reviews. [two reviews that say a player is C should not have to conduct a third]. If there was no consensus on the review, then the third review would be conducted.

Motion to allow two of the same review to count for classification:

Second Gloria Dimas
Rosie Romo

Discussion on the Motion

There was a friendly amendment made to say that this would be ok, but that A/B players should have three reviews no matter what. G. Dimas accepted the amendment and re-proposed the motion:

Motion to allow non A/B team players to be classified with only two reviews, as long as there was consensus in those two reviews. If there was a discrepancy between the two reviews, then the third review would be conducted:

Second Gloria Dimas
Anita Haisten

Approval of Motion:

Unanimous

H. Tournaments

There was an announcement that Golden Bear in San Francisco was actively trying to have a women's division again, and was looking for teams to participate. The same was said about Saguaro Cup in Phoenix this year. Any teams looking to participate should contact their division commissioner, or check out the information on these leagues websites.

Motion to adjourn the meeting:

Second

Approval of Motion:

Tracy Goldberg
Catherine Danford
Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 2:16pm:

NEXT MEETING DATES:

May 6th, 2012

June 3rd, 2012