GREATER LOS ANGELES SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Women's Division League Meeting

MINUTES OF MEETING: May 5th, 2013 APPROVED:_____

Board Members Present:

Commissioner Monica Aguilar Curry

Co-Commissioner A/B Did Not Attend
Co-Commissioner C Stacey Robinson
Co-Commissioner D Rose Eustachio
Treasurer Katrina Nason
Secretary Rosalyn Bugg

<u>Team Representatives Present:</u>

Chix With Stix Jennifer Young Deuces Tracy Goldberg

Five Hole Alicia Gonzales [for Laura Sherman]
POW Anne Marie Herrera/Elizabeth Perez

LA Wildcats Pat Reed
Lucky Strikes Sabrina Vargas
Las Diablas Mildred Rodriquez

Looking 2 Score Ann Sitter
MadBatters Tyrie McCulley

Really Though Renee Pederson [for M. London]

Sofa King Good Angel Rauicot
Playerz Maria Cervantes

Rebels Nancy Nomura [for Dina Black]
Sandlot Carrie Selman [for A. Sandoval]

Wicked Women G. Domingo

<u>Team Representatives Not Present:</u>

Envy LA Bandits

Call to order

1:33 pm

- Meeting Open
 - a. Commissioner Calls meeting to order
- II. Finance Report
 - a. Identified that finance report will be sent with May Meeting minutes.

III.ASANA Report

a. Commissioner identified to membership that an official letter of protest was sent to ASANA from GLASA regarding their decision to hold 2014 World Series in Las Vegas.

- b. Any and all managers who want to see the correspondence can obtain that information from the secretary.
- c. The Open Division and Sin City Chair were copied on the communication and they back us completely.

IV. 2013 Summer Season

a. Roster Deadline

Teams were reminded that they received email identifying their roster lock deadlines. Appx. 60% of teams deadline was today [May 5th], but a quick reminder for remaining teams that next week [May 12] is the deadline for rosters.

b. B Division Play Date with Other ASANA teams It was reported that the interleague play date for B teams from LA, SD and Long Beach was now scheduled for June 2nd. Games would be held at Tea Winkle Park in Costa Mesa.

c. Schedule

There was a reminder that the league official bye dates were identified as May 19th [Glendale], May 26th [Memorial Day] and June 9th [Glendale and Pride].

d. World Series Discussion/Questions

It was noted that the World Series finance deadline was July 15th. There was a question as to which teams were interested in participating in World Series in Portland.

- 1. B teams Rebels, Las Diablas, POW
- 2. C Teams Really Though
- 3. D Teams LA Bandits, Playerz

It was also identified to the body that there is a hotel deposit due, and that the tournament fee has again gone up this year.

- 1. Hotel Deposit \$225
- 2. Tournament Fee \$595

e. Roster Status

 Classifications to date as well as updated rosters will be sent by Friday, May 10th, 2013

V. Fundraising Committee Presentation

- a. Fundraising committee gave detail on two options for fundraising during the season.
 - i. Bingo would not happen until Fall Season
 - ii. Raffle can happen but there is a question about how to get prizes
 - 1. Can teams donate prizes in a timely fashion to make a raffle happen?
 - 2. Can teams donate prizes that would make people want to buy a ticket?
 - iii. Noted that we had eliminated awards until fundraising came back.

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- b. Discussion about how to make fundraising happen before the end of the year.
 - It was recognized that the committee only had a week to get tickets made so whatever we determine would have to move quickly.
 - ii. Discussed whether the timing was too tight to effort a fundraiser
 - iii. There was much discussion on whether it would make sense to just have teams pony up the \$200 previously agreed to and be done with it
 - 1. But it was also recognized that if a raffle occurred, at least someone would get something out of it.
 - iv. Motion to up the amount of money per team to \$250 to allow the committee to purchase the raffle prizes and make the raffle happen.

Motion to increase the per team money from \$200 to \$250 to allow committee budget to purchase raffle prizes:

Second Approval of Motion: Rosalyn Bugg Stacey Robinson Unanimous

- c. Next discussion was what the prizes should be. After debate, including whether one of the prizes should be a softball bat, or something else to expand the base, the decision was made to purchase a big TV [over 32 inches], Kindle Fire product and a spa day for the prize pool for the drawing.
- d. It was also noted that the drawing would be the last day of games, June 16th, in a location TBD.

VI. Classification Process

a. Committee chair reported that they had completed about 85% of the requested reviews, and that they were utilizing the ASANA guideline along with our guideline in their review process.

VII. Open Division Report

a. Commissioner discussed Open Division's SwitchHitters Ball and board attendance at the event. "It was fun."

VIII. Board Nominations

- a. Secretary identified that there will be three board positions open for nomination this year.
 - i. A/B Commisioner
 - ii. D Commissioner
 - iii. Secretary
- b. Secretary opens the nominations
 - i. A/B Commissioner
 - 1. Liz Perez was nominated and seconded, and accepted the nomination

- Andrea DeLuna was nominated and seconded, but was not present to accept. Secretary will follow up on nomination
- 3. Carrie Selman was nominated and seconded, but did not accept.
- 4. Carrie Brandon was nominated and seconded, but was not present to accept. Secretary will follow up on nomination
- ii. D Commissioner
 - 1. Rose Eustachio was nominated and seconded, and accepted the nomination
- iii. Secretary
 - 1. Rosalyn Bugg was nominated and seconded, but wanted to consider the nomination.
- c. Secretary reminded everyone that the nominations will remain open until the next meeting.

IX. Old/New Business

- a. Team Fundraisers
 - i. Really Though
 - 1. Dodgers Night/June 7th, 2013
 - a. \$20 per ticket and it is fireworks night
- b. Tournaments
 - i. Liberty Classic announced registration was open
 - ii. Golden Bear [Memorial Day weekend]
 - iii. Sweet Madness [Memorial Day Weekend] identified it needed one more B team
- c. Meeting Frequency
 - i. Tracy Goldberg wanted to make a motion that we have less managers' meetings each season and that we do more communication via email.

Motion to decrease the number of managers' meetings in a season:

Traci Goldberg

Second

N. Nomura

ii. There was a discussion regarding whether we could do that given our independent organization status, as well as our 501.c3 status. Board wanted to examine options, but also understands the request.

Motion to table this discussion until next meeting

Traci Goldberg

Second

S. Vargas

- d. Roster Expansion
 - i. A motion was made to expand the lineup from 12 to 13.
 - 1. In the discussion it was noted that ASA rules are 12, and that is using the extended rules

Motion to increase the number of batters allowed from 12 to 13:

Second A. Herrera

Voting on the Motion: Yes – 11 No - 6

AB - 1

Motion Passes.

Motion to hold off implementation of new rule until Fall 2013 season

Rosalyn Bugg

Second K. Nason Voting on the Motion: Yes – 17

No - 0

AB - 1

Motion Passes.

- e. Closing Party
 - i. Identified there would be some kind of event on June 16th where we will draw the winning tickets from the raffle. There was a show of hands as to how many teams would like an end of season event gettogether, and 11 teams showed support.
- f. Information
 - i. Really Though just got new uniforms, and offered that if teams wanted to band together, that GLASA might get a rate from the uniform supplier.

Motion to adjourn the meeting:

Second

Approval of Motion:

Ann Herrera Ann Sitter Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 2:42pm:

NEXT MEETING DATES:

June 2nd, 2013