# GREATER LOS ANGELES SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION Women's Division Meeting

Glendale Sports Complex Meeting Room

MINUTES OF MEETING: November 14, 2010 APPROVED BY LEAGUE:

**Board Members Present** 

Commissioner Nancy Nomura
Co-Commissioner A/B Rosie Romo
Co-Commissioner D Ros Bugg
Secretary Amalie Brown
Treasurer Faviola Resendiz

**Board Member Not Present** 

Co-Commissioner C Monica Aguilar

**Team Representatives Present** 

Ball Crushers Laura Martinez Nemesis Anita Haisten Chix with Stix Laura Kilmer Really Though Cynthia Munoz Rebels Hit N Run Maria Ramirez Dina Black Christy Lee Sandlot Nancy Cook L.A. Bandits Laura Kilmer Screwballs Catherine Danford L.A. Wildcats Lucky Strikes Jill Poe Wicked Women Annette Harpster Adrienne Ray WTF

Not Present

Fooligans Playerz

Call to Order

12:19pm

Minutes of October 5, 2010

Motion for Approval Dina Black Second Catherine Danford

Approved

## Fiscal Budget Fall 2009 to Summer 2010 (Favi Resendiz)

- Financial Statement distributed with the In/Out status explained owing to Pride Checks submitted by teams to the league with the league then writing a check back to the teams who worked Pride
- League is still being charged the \$15 monthly fee. Bank has been asked to adjust this and return retroactive reimbursement Motion to accept the budget:

Dina Black

Second Lauren Martinez Fiscal Budget was accepted.

Unanimous Approval

## ASANA World Series (Nancy Nomura)

- Report that three teams total dropped out (Lucky Strikes, Rebels, Up In Smoke). The \$525 registration fee was not refundable. Up In Smoke was not financed by GLASA. The \$200 hotel deposit was refundable if requested from ASANA.
- GLASA players were placed on MisFits, Chicago Breeze, and a San Francisco team.
- There was an adjustment made to the top four C teams in Series with the removal of Chicago Aces from 3<sup>rd</sup> Place owing to the presence six B players. Therefore, the 4<sup>th</sup> Place team (Long Beach Get Dirty) was moved up in the final placement.

There was a motion by Ros Bugg to accept the World Series Report. Nancy Cook requested an explanation of an issue regarding an alleged theft of vendor shirts by a GLASA player/s during World Series. A lengthy discussion followed. A full copy of the transcript of the discussion is available. The following is a summary:

There was an incident whereby a player(s) from a Los Angeles team was thought to have taken merchandise from a vendor. The player(s) in question was misidentified as a member of Nemesis. Initially ASANA told the players were 'disqualified'. Nemesis was placed on 'watch' for the tournament. Subsequently, the responsibility for following up on the alleged incident was placed by ASANA, into the care of GLASA, represented by Nancy Nomura. It was later discovered that the player in question was not a member of Nemesis. However, Nemesis was not told until Saturday that their player(s) was/were misidentified.

The question of due process for the handling of the incident and subsequent actions remained the focus of the discussion. It was decided that further discussion by the Executive Board and a report on actions taken would be conducted with resolution to be presented to the league.

Motion to accept the report: Jill Poe

Second: Catherine Danford

#### Winter 2010

• Schedule Adjustments: Owing to the number of rainouts, it was suggested that teams receive a refund based on the number of games missed. It was suggested also that a revised schedule be published that would extend the season to December 12. Three scenarios were outlined: (1) Play out the schedule as it stands (2) Publish a new schedule (3) Try to even out the number of games amongst all teams. Anita Haisten pointed out in the recently approved Instruments of Governance there is the statement that there would be no make-up games during Winter Season, therefore to author a new schedule on this premise would be in violation of the IOG.

There was a motion to accept the schedule 'as is' with refunds issued to teams based on games missed

Motion to accept: Anita Haisten

Second: Maria Ramirez

Yes 7 No 7 Abstain 2

There was a motion to accept the schedule 'as is' with refunds issued to teams based on games missed and with no makeup games.

Motion to accept: Nancy Cook

Second Adrienne Ray

Yes 8 No 7

The motion passed. Refund checks will be distributed December 5, 2010.

• Insurance. Team insurance ends at the close of December. Therefore, any teams playing Sin City will not be covered. Nancy asked teams to let her know if they wish to renew their insurance.

• Nancy indicated that Sin City covers liability. Catherine Danford asked if this is second coverage. Ros indicated that this insurance is secondary.

#### Sin City (Nancy)

- At this time, the Women's Teams may be given Doc Romeo fields again. The cluster of three fields has 70' baselines, deep sand, and no field maintenance. The paired fields to the west have short fences.
- The Rio has fewer than 50 rooms left. There may be more rooms available, but at \$10 more than the posted website price.

#### **Summer 2011**

- Ros is investigating the availability of alternative fields for season play owing to the high cost of fields in Glendale
- Catherine asked when we need to commit to Glendale, with Nancy Nomura replying "January".
- Anita Haisten asked if we are looking at fields elsewhere, would they be in the same timeframe as Sunday morning. Ros was looking into that. Cynthia suggested that there are new fields in Bell Gardens (off 710 fwy) that are available
- Amalie has statistics on the location of GLASA players, distance to fields, and time of travel. These will be made available

A motion was requested by Ros to explore the possibility of alternate fields.

Motion to accept: Lauren Martinez

Second: Catherine Danford

# **Announcements**

- VooDoo Tournament (El Dorado Park) will be rescheduled (possibly December 4)
- Open Men's Division Fundraiser Tournament (Burbank) need four women to play with the Bandits C team.

# Meeting Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Catherine Danford

Second Dina Black
Pass Unanimous
Adjournment 1:05pm

#### Next League Meeting

Sunday, December 5, 2010 Glendale Sports Complex meeting room immediately follows the close of last game.