

## BWSSA Minutes from Manager's Meeting

March 23, 2023

Present: Samantha Lachenmeier, Brenda McNamara, Sue Heilman, Danielle Borseth, Jessica Dirk

Absent: Joey McLeod, Beth Deeter

Tentative rosters were collected as manager's arrived

Sam called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

### Old Business:

Discussion on forfeit policy- after discussion, Erik Johnson made a motion that the policy for forfeits be as follows: 2 games forfeited without 24 hour notice without being assessed penalty to pay umpire fees of \$50 per game. After the 2 forfeits without notice, the manager will be responsible to make arrangements to have the penalty paid before the team plays their next game. Board will be allowed to waive penalty for special circumstances. Forfeits with a 24 hour notice will not be assessed a penalty as umpire fees are not paid by the association. Sandy Schell seconded. Motion carried.

No other old business was discussed.

### New Business:

Discussed handout outlining the 10 week schedule proposed for this year. The schedule includes a week for scheduling possible rainouts. This schedule is for this year only!

Back page of handout listed state tournament sites and dates, as well as fee of \$200 for all rec divisions. Increase in state tournament fee is due to state using Tourney Machine for all state tournaments this year. Schedules and scores will be available thru the app which can be added to any phone for free. Also teams will register for state tournaments online thru Tourney Machine, but fee will still be paid to the association. Teams that register after July 14<sup>th</sup> for state tournaments will be assessed a \$25 late fee.

There will be a National Women's Rec tournament over labor day weekend this year in Grand Forks. All of our teams are eligible to play in this tournament. If any teams are interested, we can assist them with getting additional information. Hopefully, this tournament will be held in Bismarck in 2024.

Election of officers – Beth, Brenda and Jessica's terms are up and Brenda and Jessica have agreed to be up for re-election. Beth has declined to run again, so we will need at least one nominee to replace her. Eric Johnson made a motion to hold nominations until the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting to give time to check on possible nominees. Danielle Borseth seconded the motion. Motion was carried to have election of officers at the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Next meeting will be April 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM same location – Amvets basement. We will collect league fees of \$1500 and the city rosters at this meeting. Mike Wolf or a representative from the umpire association will be there to present the rules clinic.

Other discussion – Darla Zerr asked if there would be a reduction in the per player fee playing only 10 weeks – at this point, Parks and Rec has indicated that no matter how many weeks we play that will be the same. She also asked if the men’s association would be willing to pay part of our cottonwood commitment if they are using the diamonds that have been allocated to us. We do not have an answer to that at this time. Parks and Rec is scheduling a diamond users meeting and we may be able to get more answers at that time.

Sam called for a motion to adjourn. Darla made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Sandy Schell seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Sue Heilman, secretary