

Board of Director's Meeting

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3/15/2021 – Zoom meeting

Roll Call

Board Members:

Jim De La Torre - President – present

Jeremy Hamlett – Vice President - present

Tim Triplett — Secretary\Treasurer - present

Will Fortner – 2nd term - present

Mike Martinez – 1st term- present

Kendall McCarthy – Instructional Chair – present

Phil DiPrima – Assigner – present

Richard Ilizaliturri– 2nd term- present

Luis Ortiz –2nd term - absent

Jack Johnson – 1st term - present

Jim called the meeting to order at 6:10pm. **Mike motioned to approve the agenda for today 3/15. Will seconded the motion.** Jeremy asked to add the CBUA email about waivers. Jim said it will be added as number 4. **Everyone voted on the 3/15 agenda and it was approved.** Jim asked for comments regarding the 2/28 meeting minutes. **Will motioned to approve the minutes for 2/28. Jack seconded the motion. Everyone voted and minutes were approved.**

Open Forum:

- nothing

President's report – Jim De La Torre:

- Nothing to report.

VP's Report - Jeremy Hamlett

- Nothing to report.

Secretary\Treasurer report - Tim Triplett:

- Tim said the current bank balance is \$2,658.38. He has received a couple more checks from people that he needs to deposit.
- Tim said the attendance, dues, and insurances information that he sent out is as of yesterday. He hopes to send out another update on Wednesday. Anyone in blue has reached the hours requirement, paid dues, and provided insurance.

Assignor's report – Phil DiPrima:

- Phil is still working on collecting schedules from schools. He has received a couple of league schedules and he is working off those. He is getting some last-minute add-ons.
- Phil said he will get with Tim to go over the list to remove those members that he knows are not coming back and to discuss what people still need to work games.
- Phil is working with Kendall to get some of the members the hours they need because Phil is going to have a hard time scheduling umpires on Fridays for the lower level games.

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- Phil said the Daymore Tournament has changed. There will only be 10 teams with a 5-game schedule each. Not first and second place games. He has dates, times, locations, and opponents. The host school will pay the umpires.
- Jim asked if Phil sees any conflicts with filling varsity games on days other than Fridays. Phil said not yet. He hasn't seen the Almonte league schedule. If they play all their games on Fridays, then it could be a problem. He is prepared to tell them they will need to move to Thursday's or Saturday's.
- Phil said there are games starting this Friday and Saturday.

Instructional Chair report – Kendall McCarthy:

- Kendall asked Tim if he had a final number for people who have taken the classification exam so far and Tim said it is 19.
- Kendall asked Tim how many guys have finished a field clinic and Tim said it is on the sheet he sent out. Jim said some guys worked a scrimmage and Kendall gave them credit for field clinic for that. Tim said he didn't get that information. Kendall will get that information to Tim so he can give those people credit.

Committee Reports:

- Nothing to report

Discussion Items:

- **Robert's Rules of Order**
 - Jeremy said we have been guilty of not doing Robert's Rules of Order and we need to get back into it. When there is a motion, then it gets seconded and then it gets discussed. Sometimes we jump the gun and get into discussion before it's been motioned or seconded. We need to make sure that even though something is motioned or seconded, that doesn't mean that it's the final say, it just gets us into discussion.
 - Jeremy said the other piece is the action items and discussion items. The way it should flow is discussion first and then it goes into the next meeting as an action item. We have been doing things fast and we need to get back to Robert's Rule of Order. When things are discussed as part of someone's report, we shouldn't make motions on it at the point. It should just be discussed, and we come back the next meeting and it is an action item. This will also give members a chance when they read minutes to see that the board discussed something and it will be an action item the next meeting and if they want to attend and have a voice regarding that action item, they can. Jack asked if there was some flexibility with this. Jim said there will be some cases where we will not follow Robert's Rules of Order, but it will be a case by case basis. Jeremy said there is some flexibility, but we need to try to stick to the process.
- **Ratings**
 - Jeremy said last season was abbreviated so we stuck with the ratings we had. He is proposing that we stick with the rating from last season. He would like this to be an action item for the next meeting. For the next meeting Jeremy wants to give everyone their rating that Jim sent out last year. Remind them of the protocol of doing evaluations and observing and evaluating your person. We will give out ratings at the end of the season based on the feedback we get. Jim said he agrees and thinks we should make it an action item next meeting. Jack asked what happens if someone doesn't agree with their rating. Jeremy said they would make an appeal to the Ratings committee and they would be reevaluated. Jack said it has never been that way because he asked to be reevaluated a couple times and it never happened. Jeremy said he will make sure language is added so that people know they have that option. Jeremy will get stuff together and get it to Tim. Jeremy said all the minutes, agenda and supplemental documents can be added to the website for members.

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Member Certification

- Tim said 26 people have taken the classification exam. He said he has sent a lot of emails asking people to pay and they haven't. He said they need to at least contact him regarding payment plans. Phil said if there's a veteran official who has been in good standing with us, but maybe just hasn't paid his dues yet and can't pay it for another couple weeks, he thinks we should be fine with that and let them work ballgames. Tim said he wants to put a date on it. Members need to reach out to him and make a payment plan by a set date. **Jack made a motion that April 5 is the cutoff date for members to either pay or have a payment arrangement in place. Will seconded the motion.** If they don't pay or make an arrangement, Phil will start pulling games. **Everyone voted and it was approved.** Tim will send an email out by Wednesday to the membership. Tim said he has not been charging late fees because of Covid. Jim and Phil confirmed that we decided no late fees this year. Tim said a couple people sent extra money so he will refund them the extra.
- Tim said if a member doesn't have insurance, they cannot work games. Jim said we should add to the email going out that insurance must be provided before the season starts. Phil said he will start pulling games if insurance isn't provided. Tim said he will add insurance to the email and a statement that says they will not work games without proof of insurance.

CBUA Email

- Jim said there is talk that the schools are going to require us to sign a waiver and show proof of vaccination or a negative covid test. CBUA executive council, with CIF backing, said we are not going to do that. If they require that then we are not going to work games. If you verify the game ahead of time and they tell you they are going to require you to sign a waiver, you can then refuse to work the game because it's not a requirement and if the game doesn't get played or they decide to pull you off, you still get paid half a game fee.
- Jim said they will temperature check at the game and ask you the questionnaire. Anytime you handle a ball, you use hand sanitizer. Mike asked if he could wear gloves and Jim said that is fine. Jeremy said he doesn't understand why signing a waiver is a big deal. Others on the call said they would not sign a waiver if asked to do so. Phil said the biggest problem here is they made a decision for us without talking to us or discussing it with us. Jim said he will call tomorrow and ask for something in writing and try to get more information.
- Phil said he got information from a fellow umpire that he was able to get his vaccination by going through his insurance company, he showed his arbiter schedule and insurance, that proved he worked in education field working in childcare. Jeremy said it is called OST, out of school time. Anyone that works with kids out of school time. You can go on the state website to sign up. We should bring it up to the unit for anyone that might want to get vaccinated.

Next meeting will be **Monday, March 29th at 6:00pm.**

Jim adjourned the meeting at 7:38pm.