

WSSL BoD Meeting Minutes - 6/19/2024

Attendees: John S., Ben D., Wes R., Bill L., Andy J. & Steve C.

The meeting opened up with a discussion concerning the editing of rules addressing baserunners leaving prematurely and defensive fielder alignments. The Board's position on these two issues will be forwarded to the Rules Committee for final review and formatting and the relevant rule sections will be revised over the summer break for second half season play.

A pregame umpire-managers discussion checklist has been proposed by the Board to ensure appropriate reminders are issued prior to game start. The list will be forwarded to the head of the Umpire Committee for review and comment and will be used in the second half of the season prior to every game.

The Board discussed the need to re-emphasize to umpires and managers the need to speed up play as much as possible with the heat upon us and to encourage all to feel empowered to speak if they see potential health issues during play.

The Division presidents next discussed the status of their respective divisions as well as the current injury picture they are facing.

Andy J. mentioned that a Yorktown manager's meeting will take place on on 20 June. Among the topics being discussed is the need for additional volunteers to step up to fill umpire and scorekeeper roles going forward. He next discussed the Yorktown mid-season tournament taking place on 25 and 27 June.

John S. proposed an informal league outing at a Pilots baseball game and the Board concurred with the idea. Date is TBD.

Wes. R. provided a Treasurer's report to the Board. The Board concurred with Wes that the League's finances are healthy and we are well prepared to meet all anticipated 2024 financial obligations.

The Board next discussed a proposal for a League party to take place mid-August to welcome all back for the second half of the season.. Billsburg Brewery was discussed as an option for such an event. Details to follow.

The status of the second AED dedicated for play at Kiwanis was discussed with the previously reported battery issue noted as unchanged. The plan is to have this AED repaired during the summer break and to have it working and acting properly in time for play in mid-August to resume.

The Board agreed that the first play date for the League's second half of the season will be 13 August and that the final play date for the Yorktown Division season will be 10 October. For Yorktown playoffs will take place on 15 and 17 October with the division all-star game

scheduled for 22 October. For the Jamestown Division the final date for season play will also be 10 October, with the dates for playoffs and an all-star game remain TBD.

It was noted that there will be no November League in 2024.

The next WSSL Board meeting is scheduled for 31 July.