WSSL BoD Meeting - 4/1/2025

Attendees: Dick H., Kathy S., Ben D. Andy J. Steve S., Larry R. And Steve C.

The meeting opened with the Commissioner and board discussing arrangements for the 2025 Season Opening Day arrangements for both divisions (4/8 for JTD and 4/10 for YTD). After ensuring that all present were on the same page a contingency opening Day rain-date for JTD was decided as 4/10/2025.

The board then turned to a discussion of specific Yorktown and Jamestown player assignments regarding two rookie players who came on board subsequent to the draft and could be used to level out a team roster in both divisions on at least a short-term basis.

Arrangements for mid-season tournaments for both divisions were discussed next. The dates for both divisions will be 6/24 and 6/26 and are on the league's master schedule.

Steve S./Treasurer spoke about the final details being addressed to ensure that our liability insurance COI meets the the City Parks & Recreation requirements. It was noted that the identical process has been followed for the last few years without an issue. It is expected that this will be formally agreed to very soon.

The discussion then turned to the Jersey Hand-Out gathering at Billsburg Brewery from 12:00 - 3:00 on Sunday, 6 April. A small group will show closer to 11:00 to reserve some picnic tables from which the jerseys will be distributed. It was decided that, like the previous year, there would be no WSSL provided beverages and food for this event.

The board discussed the only other WSSL sponsored social event currently on the books, our End Of Season party in late October (date TBD). It was agreed that the model employed last year seemed to work very well and initial thoughts are to pursue another catered food event with two beverage tickets supplied by the league.

AED training was the next topic raised and, based on a recent agreement with a local firefighter friend of a league player, 10 WSSL members (five from each division) will receive familiarization training on these devices within the next few weeks.

The initial schedule for post-game league lunches was proposed for the initial week.

Dick H. And Kathy S. discussed league sponsorships and it was noted that all legacy sponsors were either already signed up or were expected to repeat again as sponsors for 2025.

Relative to recruitment efforts the concept of using the Yorktown Division All-Star game as a weekend exhibition game was discussed. Potentially attracting members who are close to retirement who can't attend a weekday morning game to observe the WSSL product was noted as a primary benefit. More to come on this topic.

The next WSSL Board meeting will take place in early June (date TBD).