

# **WSSA Board Meeting Minutes**

## **@ January, 2019**

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The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM on this date at the Northeast New Hanover County Library. Those in attendance were Mike Abernathy, Charlie Backes, David Reardon, Skip Flynn, Mike Gallagher, Gary Kohunsky and Tony Spataro. Also in attendance was the WSSA Web Master, Walter Aaron. Joe Newcomb was unable to attend.

The minutes from the 9 December, 2019 Board meeting were approved as submitted and have been posted on the WSSA Web site.

### **I. WSSA 25 Year Anniversary:**

- a. The Opening day ceremony commemorating the 25<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of WSSA League play will occur at 10 AM on April 14<sup>th</sup>. Field location and games to be played, if any, have yet to be determined. This is a change from what was previously reported in the 9 December minutes. A list of invited dignitaries is being developed and all WSSA players will be invited to attend and participate.
- b. A banquet designed to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> year anniversary on WSSA league play will be held the following day, 15 April. Location, time and cost are being developed and will be broadcast once determined.

### **II. Financials and Finances:**

- a. The WSSA 2019 Year End financials were presented by Dave Reardon and approved. Also presented and approved was the proposed 2020 WSSA Budget. A copy of those documents will be attached to the final minutes on file.
- b. Both the 2019 Year End Financials and the Proposed 2020 Budget will be presented at the WSSA 2020 Annual Meeting scheduled to start at 10 AM on 22 January at the downtown New Hanover County Main Library, 201 Chestnut street, Wilmington, North Carolina.
- c. The board approved the 2020 WSSA player application along with the dates for return as printed on the application. The membership fee for 2020 remains at \$100.

### **III. Annual Membership Meeting:**

- a. The 2020 WSSA Annual meeting with all members is now scheduled for 10 AM on Wednesday, **22 January, 2020** at the New Hanover County Main Library, 201 Chestnut street, Wilmington, NC. This represents a date change from what was previously reported in the 9 December, 2019 Minutes.
- b. Free parking is available for the Annual Meeting in the attached parking structure. The date change was necessitated by room availability.

### **IV. By Laws & Manual Review:**

- a. Revisions were proposed and unanimously approved for inclusion in the WSSA Manual.
- b. Revisions to the WSSA By Laws were proposed and all were unanimously agreed too.
- c. All proposed revisions to the WSSA By Laws as well as the approved revisions to the WSSA Manual, previously addressed, will be posted for review on the WSSA Web Site no later than 14 days before the WSSA Annual Meeting to be conducted

on 22 January, 2020. Any and all proposed revisions to WSSA By Laws must be voted on by the entire general membership at that Annual Meeting. Once each revision is approved at the Annual meeting it can be adopted/ implemented into the By Laws.

**V. League Participation:**

- a. The 2020 WSSA Calendar of scheduled dates was presented and agreed to. This calendar will also be presented at the 22 January, 2020 WSSA Annual Meeting.
- b. The Ogden fields will be available to use starting on 18 February, 2020.
- c. It was noted that there are current players who wish to transfer between Divisions (Atlantic/ Coastal/ Legacy). If a player wishes to transfer between leagues, he must make his desire known to his current manager who will then send the request on to the two Division Presidents involved. Without the approval of the two Presidents, the player will remain in the Division that he last played in during the 2019 season. Additionally, any player who wishes to transfer between leagues **MUST** attend Spring Training so that he can be evaluated by the various managers before the draft occurs.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM

Skip Flynn  
WSSA Secretary