

February 16, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting

Present: Brad Van Amberg, Commissioner, Walter Aaron, V.P., Jim Ratkus, Atlantic Div. Pres., Jerry Kaplan, Coastal/Legacy Div. Pres., Gary Swanson, Treasurer, Greg Romero, Secretary, Gary Kohunsky, PR Director/Webmaster, Tony Spartaro

The meeting was called to order and the minutes of the last meeting as well as the minutes of the annual meeting, were approved as posted on the website.

It was reported that 90 players have paid to date. Tony reported that he has about 40 prospects for Spring Training and added that others may show up.

Gary K reported on promotions are planned for the newspaper and a TV spot on WECT.

It was agreed that players who played part of the year last year, would have to go to Spring Training and be in the next draft.

A discussion was held on a player's request that Brad be suspended from his position. It was agreed that the Board recommended that Brad continue in his position and that Walt would prepare a letter to all those who were exposed to the back and forth of accusations, which explain the decision.

Brad tasked Greg with maintaining the by-laws and league rules (Walt will work on rules) and some changes will be made in order to submit to the membership at the next annual meeting.

Sponsorships were discussed and Brad agreed to help teams needing them.

The recent audit was discussed and it was agreed a better method was needed and Gary S. will prepare a check list for future audits (by 2 persons not on the Board).

Brad reported that fields in Brunswick might be available for some games at no charge but will be further evaluated.

Walt reported that we need to leave a date open in the schedule for the Senior Games on May 9th and although the WSSA was not paying for teams to participate, that some players may join in.

Jerry nominated Gip Fehring as manager of the Pelicans and this was approved.

Walt reported on umpires and will send details on our agreement to Board members.

Submitted by Greg Romero