

District 39
President's Meeting
Live Oak Sherriff's Community Room
November 9, 2011

Item 1. CALL TO ORDER

- 1-1. District Board members present: Gene Carlisle, Sarah Glommen, Doug Marshall, Rick Stubblefield, Mike Saso
- 1-2. League Presidents present: Eric Gifford (LO), Rick Stubblefield (PV), Sean Castagna (SLV), Gina Acevedo (SJA), Corky Roberson (SV), Nathan Arroyo (W)
- 1-3. Guests present: Leslie Guzman (LO Treasurer), Erin Wong (SC Treasurer), Peggy Weisse (SLV Treasurer)

Item 2. CHANGES TO AGENDA, Added Approval of Minutes, Removed Guest

Item 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Sean motioned and Doug seconded the approval of the October Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 4. GUEST PRESENTATION

- ~~4-1. P. J. McLoughlin - All Out Baseball~~

Item 5. TREASURER'S TRAINING. Gene distributed and then reviewed the Procedures Manual for Treasurers. There were not significant questions.

Item 6. OFFICER REPORTS

- 6-1. District Administrator Gene Carlisle
 - a) Charter packages should have been received. Check Data Center and then contact Gene if you do not have it soon.
 - b) LO, W, SJA, Aptos, SC will need to update Data Center. Only 3 Leagues have completed their changes. **Not all Leagues have filled mandatory Board positions. These must be filled or the President needs to fill in with their name and assume the responsibilities until the position is filled.**
 - c) Anyone wishing to Inter-League during the pre-season needs to have their forms in place before the first game. Gene distributed adopted Rules. These were reviewed and refined last season. It should be noted and implemented in local rules that these are the rules to be followed for all Inter-League games. Attach a copy of these rules in all Manager's Binders. **Rick (PV) still objects to an open 6th inning because of blow-outs and time considerations. He requests that the rules be re-examined on a night with full attendance.**
 - d) January 26-29 DA and ADA Meetings will be attended by Gene and Doug in San Bernardino. There will be action items up for a

- vote and Gene will seek feedback to guide his voting.
- e) Field Cost Discussion. PV only pays for use of the fairgrounds field. SLV has \$10,000 cost for fields. SV pays \$1 per player plus the water bill. Gene encouraged all Leagues to have long term contracts if they are investing in maintenance or field improvements. Some municipalities are selling off improved fields and leaving Leagues with nowhere to play.
 - f) SF Giants will attend December meeting. Oakland Athletics will attend January meeting. If you wish to participate in LL Days, please bring your event coordinators to these meetings so they can ask questions. Giant's days are set and can be reserved now.
 - g) Vendor Show will be Nov 14 at Del Mar HS in San Jose. Good deals can be made. There are usually lots of valuable freebies for Leagues.

6-2. Safety and Umpires

Mike Saso

- a) Please make sure to put up informational signs about Feb 25-26 Umpire Clinic at Registration. It is important to start recruiting Game Coordinators/Junior Umpires and new Umpires at Registration events. Recruit more than you need to allow for attrition over the season.
- b) Umpire Training Clinic will be held at Quito LL in Los Gatos again this year. Please let Managers know and encourage them to bring over a group of players for the Sunday training. This helps to better prepare the umpires before game time. **Paid Umpires should be required to attend. Or Leagues could choose to pay more if they do attend.** This will help ensure umpires are properly prepared to do their job.
- c) Composite Bat Rule Change. Rather than just removing the bat, there are new consequences. A 1st violation will call the batter out and remove a base coach. 2nd violation results in a Manager's ejection and 1 game suspension. 3rd violation results in replacement Manager's ejection and 1 game suspension. Mike does not agree that the player is penalized first. He would like to make the Managers and Coaches responsible first. Mike also reminded presidents that bat checks need to be performed by the game umpire, not a Board member or appointee. SLV and LO were concerned that it is really difficult to check all bats when the umpires don't show up early and everyone wants to get the game started before dark. Mike recommended that Leagues need to motivate umpires to make sure they arrive on time and perform these checks. **Local Boards can also vote to increase the penalty to Managers to prevent gamesmanship.** If the penalty is high enough, they will not allow the bats to sneak in. **Nathan (W) asked if the player is called out, do the advancing players have to move back. Mike will investigate and provide an**

answer by the next meeting.

- d) Report from Section DA Meeting. Mike drummed up more Leagues to participate in his Umpire clinic to reduce costs. This should allow us to continue to keep this clinic free. D39 will not have a Sectional Tournament this year. Instead **D39 will host the 10/11 Divisional Tournament in mid-July.**
- e) June 15th is a Friday & Announcement Day for All –Stars. Leagues are encouraged to end their Regular Seasons by June 8th. TOCs will likely be that week.
- f) Mike is also planning to host a Rules Clinic this year

6-3. Training

Brian Evans

- a) Big Al clinic will be Feb 29th and March 1st. There will be 2 age groupings. This clinic will be free for all D39 Coaches and Managers. Big Al will be in Los Gatos on the 23rd/24th if some Coaches would prefer that date. The cost is \$6 per person or \$100 per League. There are other options as well. All Coaches need to attend at least one date to fulfill their training requirement.
- b) Dr. Small will give a PCA-like presentation on March 3rd at the Aptos High Theatre. He is a sports psychologist.
- c) The Cabrillo Clinic is currently scheduled for Jan 29th at 11am for Coaches and 1pm for players.
- d) Brian is also working on a catcher's clinic.

Item 7. OTHER BUSINESS