



IGSA Board Meeting Minutes 11/03/2008

Chris Dallas called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

11 of 20 (Quorum) Voting Officers were present when the meeting was called to order: John Lologo, Paul Rogacki, Jerry Rose, Pam Tyo, John Olesky, Matt Clark, Jeff Kraus, Jim Formby, Greg Hand, Teri Penniston, and Greg Sasaki.

Others in attendance: None

OCTOBER MINUTES

Jim Formby made a motion to approve the October minutes after adding Greg Sasaki to the list of attendees.

Jerry Rose seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with none opposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

IGSA has approximately \$13,879 after paying for the Turkey Tournament fees. Some families, even whole teams, have not paid for Fall Ball. The Commissioner needs to remind the coaches to turn in their checks.

Fundraiser Feedback; we need to communicate to the membership better what the funds will be used for: clinics, equipment, etc.

FALL BALL

All tournament fees are paid.

Jeff questioned whether IGSA should change the 10U Spring 2009 rules to accommodate the new open home rule. Jim reiterated that IGSA has always made rules to give every player a shot without being too competitive. It was acknowledged that most other leagues made the 10U rule change last spring.

WEBSITE

Paul will send Jeff the updated BOD list for the website. Jeff will inquire if the colors can be changed from green to blue. He will also add more pictures.

SPRING 2009 REGISTRATION

Pam will organize the list of schools and contact person(s) to distribute flyers. Teri suggested using our current database to auto-dial registration information. She also suggested that we look into sharing our database with Little League's. She will check with them.

SPRING 2009 CALENDAR

- Skills clinic perhaps the second Sunday in December.
- Evaluations January 10 and 17, with the 24th as a rain/makeup day.
- February 22nd Pam Newton Clinic will include a coaches' clinic.
- March 1st we get out field allocation from the city.
- Opening Day March 7th

The question was raised about merging IGSA with Pacific Coast. Chris mentioned that we may not get the same field allocations if we have a significantly lower percentage of Irvine players, which would occur if we merged. Matt suggested we look into other options that would permit our merger without affecting the field allocation. Perhaps Pacific Coast could combine with Huntington Beach or Laguna Niguel? We will still pursue the 12U inter-league spring play with Pacific Coast.

ASA OCTOBER MEETING

The annual Southern California ASA conference will take place on November 23, 2008 at the Irvine Hilton. If you wish to attend, send Chris your request. Registration is due by November 18th.

The Blue Book tournament ads are due by December 15. Jim will put the ad together and Chris will verify the tournament dates (June 5-7) with the city. See the e-mail from Pam about registration fees and dates. The deadline for “C” league application is April 1, 2009. Contact John Felicetti for information.

Coaches for recreational leagues will need ASA VTD and ACE clinic. All-Star coaches need to have attended an ASA Coaches Clinic.

OPENING DAY MARCH 7TH

We will have a tribute to Karen Lorenz, one of the three IGSA founders, who passed away this year. Jerry Rose made a motion that IGSA put Karen’s initials, KL, on the Spring 2009 jerseys.

Jim Formby seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with none opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

- We need to replace some well-worn equipment before the Spring 2009 season.
 - Jim Formby made a motion to allocate \$4,000 maximum to replace helmets, bats, catchers’ equipment, etc.
John Lologo seconded the motion.
The motion was approved with none opposed.
- Chris Dallas will speak with Chrissy about the pitching clinic next year. We prefer that her assistants have coaching and/or pitching experience. IGSA always offsets approximately 20-30% of the fee for the clinic. Should we continue to subsidize the clinic for the Spring 2009 season?
- Ways to Improve Hitting and other Skills:
 - Add coach/trainer contact information to the website,
 - Avoid jargon such as, “Squash the bug.”
 - The coaches’ manuals aren’t read as thoroughly as we’d like. Hands-on coaches’ training is best.
 - Use older players to work with the younger teams/players.

Matt Clark made a motion to adjourn.

Jim Formby seconded the motion.

The motion was approved without opposition.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.