



IGSA Board Meeting Minutes 07/14/2009

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

12 of 20 (Quorum) Voting Officers were present: Pam Tyo, John Lologo, Paul Rogacki, John Olesky, Jeff Kraus, Jim Formby, Greg Hand, Greg Sasaki, Teri Penniston, Mark Fator, Richard Stewart, and Jerry Rose.

Others in attendance: None

Quorum: Yes

JUNE MINUTES

Jim Formby made a motion to approve the June minutes.

Mark Fator seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with none opposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Matt Clark was unable to attend. Chris and Jeff will contact him about an orderly transition of the position to Jeff.

ALL-STARS—Chris Dallas

The All-Star season went well. As expected, IGSA teams for the most part did not fare well. The 14U team was competitive and did record some wins. They came in second in the Orange Canyon tournament. Other teams also had wins during the season and made it through the first game of the elimination rounds in some tournaments.

The WAGS tournament was liked, but it was spread out too much for the teams to watch each other play. Also, the preference is for all Irvine teams to stay in the same hotel for the travel tournament.

Offering the teams a weekend off and leaving it up to the coach if they wanted to fill it with another tournament was well-received. The consensus is to offer this again next year.

The Summertime Classic went off without a major hitch. We got lots of compliments on the fields and tournament. The city's suggestion that we pay for a person to focus on trash pick-up was a good idea. We will do it again next year.

Chris mentioned that Newport Mesa would partner with IGSA on the Summertime Classic if that is something we would consider. We would have enough fields to add a 14U division and/or separate gold/silver divisions, but the logistics could be complicated. We will discuss the pros and cons, and make a decision either way in time to get in the Blue Book.

Greg Hand made a suggestion for next year that if there are only 13 players trying out for 14U All-Stars, they all should make the team. Chris mentioned that coaches in all divisions are encouraged to over-nominate players for All-Stars. Several people also mentioned that there were more than 13 players nominated for 14U, but some chose not to participate. The board agreed to take another look at the team/player selection process for All-Stars.

Chris mentioned that IGSA should make extra efforts to develop pitching next year. His discussions with other leagues revealed that some offer their players professional instruction in many facets of the game.

- He may be getting another field from the city that we can use for pitching clinics.
- We may want to consider heavily subsidizing the pitching clinics.
- What about keeping the pitching clinic going through the spring season?

FALL BALL—Jeff Kraus

As of the meeting we have enough players for three 8U, two 10U, two 12U, and one 14U teams. Most players will play in their current divisions. Decisions on those who request to play up will be made on a case-by-case basis. The recreational division will be appropriate for many of our players. We will go with the current list and begin coach selection. The uniforms will be like those for spring. Pam will take care of them, but needs the team rosters as soon as possible.

A suggestion was made to have a coach's clinic before the fall season starts. The Director of Coach Development, Jerry Rose, agreed to put one together. Several other suggestions--some that go forward to the spring season--were presented:

- Do the clinic by division since the practice structure varies.
- Give new coaches (Esp. 6U) a structured practice plan.
- Ask Sting if our coaches can attend and observe some of their practices.

Jim Formby made a motion that a committee consisting of the President, Vice-President, Fall Ball Commissioners, and each Division's Commissioner select the Fall Ball coaches. Paul to fill in if there is a conflict.

Jerry Rose seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with none opposed.

BY-LAWS REVIEW—Paul Rogacki

The actual changes to the By-Laws that were approved during the June meeting were presented for review and acceptance. A suggestion was made to remove the, "...at least one year..." verbiage from the restriction, "Candidates for executive board positions must have served at least one year on the board of directors prior to running for an EBOD position." The new wording would be, "Candidates for executive board positions must have served on the board of directors prior to running for an EBOD position."

Jim Formby made a motion to accept the wording change as presented above.

Richard Stewart seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with none opposed.

2010 Spring Registration Advertising—Chris Dallas/Joe Guaderamma

The time is now to prepare the advertising for the Spring 2010 season. The Irvine Global Village event is scheduled for Saturday, October 3rd, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. We should have a presence there with flyers. In the past we have run ads in the Irvine World News.

The Irvine Community Services activity guide winter edition comes out in November. The deadline for advertising is September 10th. A ¼-page ad costs \$800.

Jerry Rose made a motion to approve \$800 for a ¼-page ad in the Irvine Community Services activity guide winter edition.

Pam Tyo seconded the motion.

The motion was approved with none opposed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Jeff will try to have a budget for the spring season together by September's meeting.
- Families with outstanding spring fees will not be allowed to play fall until all fees are caught up. No pay—no play.
- Chris will host the August meeting. It will be the first Tuesday, August 4th.
- The September meeting will be Tuesday the 8th.

Jerry Rose made a motion to adjourn.

Jim Formby seconded the motion.

The motion was approved without opposition.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.