

Meeting Minutes for NTWSA Fall 2021 Captains Meeting

Date: August 16, 2021
Start: 7:00pm
End: 9:00pm
Location: Via Microsoft TEAMS Video Conference: RECORDED
Organizer: Linn Hanusa - President
Board: Paula McFarlin – Vice President/A&D Chairman
Marty Yarborough - Secretary
Lori Stallbohm – Treasurer
Patti Callahan – Interim League Commissioner
Christi Chapman – Field Coordinator

NTTSA: Rach Badii – NTTSA Women’s Commissioner



Meeting called to order by Linn Hanusa at 7:11

Introductions / Announcements

- Introduce Board Members
- Introduce Commissioners – no division commissioners will be used this season.
- Prize for registering required number of players by cutoff date (Aug 1) = collapsible flags

Topics

- Roll call: Taken electronically.
- Reports from Executive Board Members
 - President
 - Sports Engine App update
 - Sports Engine ROSTER will be used for ID cards. All ID cards will be uploaded to your team prior to your first game
 - Summer Tournament report- tourney winners announced
 - New NTTSA Women’s commissioner – Rach Badii announcements
 - NTTSA has hired a marketing company who will be helping the adult leagues.
 - Region 3 Tournament: NTTSA will be hosting and will be looking for volunteers. June date. NTTSA put in bid so that tourney will be in TX instead of TN.
 - Rach Badii reported that NTTSA looking for volunteers for help with kids with disabilities organization. (“TOP”)
 - Rach reported that credits to organization might be available to adult organizations so that shopping will go to credit paying league fees.
 - Vice President
 - Insurance Claims – Paula reminded captains to fill out injury form right away immediately after the injury. Form can be found on-line. AG Insurance is our new insurer. Capt and co-capt must sign filled out form. Send signed form to Paula McFarlin, who will file with state. Insurance company starts claim for injured person after they receive the information from the state and then the injured person can communicate with insurance company after that.
 - Treasurer
 - Lori reported financials for year end.
 - Lori mentioned the league will use the Website or SE App for a poll to ask players how to disposition excess cash that belongs to League.
 - Secretary
 - Prizes for summer will be distributed to captains at their games.

- Field Coordinator
 - Christi reported we lost McInnish on Wed nights for the season and we must use Hobby for Over 40 (sometimes). Christi is still looking for other options. Schedules will be posted by Wed, Aug 18, at latest.
- League Commissioner
 - Fall 2021 Season: Season begins Aug 22, ends Nov 7
 - “Postpone” vs “Cancelled” on Sports Engine App: Postponed means games will be rescheduled at a later date (i.e. NOT the same day). Cancelled means game will not be rescheduled.
 - No refunds after electronic ID cards published at Captain’s Meeting (or shortly thereafter)
 - Yellow Card / Red Card reporting – Sports Engine. Patti reported that EACH Captain must report /text to Patti and Paula ALL cards issued. This applies to both their team and the opposite team. Linn added that captains are to add a comment on the gamesheet reporting on SE app.
 - Patti reported that Christi (Field Coordinator) is our point of contact and will be communicating any game changes / field changes / ref changes. If there are any problems at the field, please contact Christi. If Christi is not available, Patti is the back-up to Christi. If still have problems, contact Linn.
 - Rule and Bylaw Changes: Housekeeping and Proposed Changes, below.

Rules:

Rule proposal #1: Tabled for now.

Rule #2 Proposal: Proposal to change age eligibility date until an NTWSA board determined “Cut-off Date”, typically the last game of the season in which the player wishes to register. Rule proposal passed by unanimous vote and will go into effect in Spring.

Rule #3 proposal: Proposal to add and delete players prior to an NTWSA board determined “Roster Freeze Date”, typically the 6th game of the season. Rule passed unanimously. Will take effect this season. New “Roster Freeze Date” will be Oct 5 for Fall 2021 season.

Rule #4 proposal: Forfeits and Abandonment: Proposal that if a team does not field the required number of players, at any point in the game, the game would be considered forfeit by that team. Jessica V. suggested amendment for making an exception due to injuries. Pat S. proposed that if game is dropped due to lack of players during the game, that no forfeit fine fees will apply if injuries cause one team to forfeit. Rule proposal TABLED for re-writing for presentation at Nov Captain’s meeting.

Bylaw #1 Proposal: Proposal to add disciplinary action review by NTWSA board member(s) and/or their respective teams. Passed unanimously.

- Elections for board positions
 - League Commissioner
 - Paula ran election for League Commissioner. Paula asked for other nominations from floor. No other nominations. Patti elected by acclamation by NTWSA captains.
- Discussion:
 - Linn announced that the captains page will have gamesheets and other important information.
 - Captain info on the website under INFORMATION => Captain’s Page
 - Fall gamesheets
 - Instructions how to use Sports Engine app on game day: ID cards and game reporting
 - Jersey colors
 - How to bookmark NTWSA website on phone
 - Player Pool link
 - Christi announced Divisions and teams within each division.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:34 PM