

# Minutes for NTWSA Spring 2017 Semi-Annual Meeting

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**Date:** May 15, 2017  
**Start:** 7:07pm  
**End:** 8:23pm  
**Location:** Richardson Women's Club  
2005 North Cliffe Drive  
Richardson, TX 75082  
**Organizer:** Rachene' Badii - President  
**Board:** Sylvia Brown – Vice President/A&D Chairman  
Julie Murray - /Secretary  
Lori Stallbohm – Treasurer  
Patti Callahan – Interim League Commissioner  
Paula McFarlin – Field Coordinator



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- The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm by NTWSA President Rachene' Badii
  - All board members were present.
  - NTWSA Secretary, Julie Murray, conducted a roll call of all active teams.
  - President, Rachene' Badii reported:
    - *Financial Stability* – The average age of players in the NTWSA league is getting older. Open Division 1 had only 3 teams this season. The Executive board is taking steps to insure the future of the league. Some of the saved monies will be invested and some will be put toward marketing and recruitment efforts. Vice President, Sylvia Brown has been working to find a financial advisor to provide NTWSA minimal risk investments. Marketing and recruitment efforts are targeting the under 30 age groups such as players coming out of high school or junior college, or college. Without these marketing and recruitment efforts the league will not have enough players to sustain a league.
    - *Cost Analysis of Over 40 League* – The Over 40 league is covering the costs. Two factors are impacting the cost and income(fees) for the Over 40 league. The games cost twice as much to hold because they are night games. Even though the games are shorter there are the additional charges for lights. In addition, the fees collected for the Over 40 league are much lower because a majority of players are double rostered and pay a lower fee. The Executive Board is not planning to change anything regarding the Over 40 League in the Fall but are keeping track of cost and will review prior to the Spring 2018 season.
    - *Cost of Fields* – The cost of a fields used to be \$25/hour now at it is at least \$50 or \$100/hour. Some fields are costing \$160, \$180 The league may not have PIT for next season and may have only 1 field at Moss. The league is looking at possibly using Brookhaven or Moneygram. The cost of Moneygram \$180/hour.
    - *Moneygram* – For the makeup games at Moneygram please don't make a mess and no dogs or alcohol.
    - *Marketing* – NTWSA does have a marketing budget. On May 11, Rachene' Badii met with representatives from a marketing firm to discuss the needs of NTWSA and what they could provide. On May 13<sup>th</sup>, the Executive Board met with a second marketing firm. Part of the discussion with the second marketing firm was the question of if the marketing plan is successful? and more players want to join the league? What

teams are they going to play on if we can't place all the players that are interested today.

- *Player Pool Placement* - The league has a large pool of players that want to play but are not picked up by any teams. Results have proven that teams with high roster counts win. While teams with a low roster count do not win. Therefore, it should benefit teams to have more players on their rosters. This is all part of the effort to get any new players on a team and playing. We are also looking for captains to maybe captain a 2nd team. Elizabeth Seba, representing Poise N Ivy, volunteered to mentor a new captain. Wendy Curtis from GC Crew also volunteered.
- *Off Season Training/Skills Camp* – Tadoo offering a skills class on Sunday \$20/ session. Lizie Pilicy is also offering more training for multiple sessions.
- *NTWSA email addresses* – NTWSA is standardizing the addresses of the Executive Board and Division Commissioners to provide continuity from season to season when board members or division commissioners change. For example, for next season:
  - [president@ntwsa.org](mailto:president@ntwsa.org)
  - [vicepresident@ntwsa.org](mailto:vicepresident@ntwsa.org)
  - [treasurer@ntwsa.org](mailto:treasurer@ntwsa.org)
  - [leaguecommissioner@ntwsa.org](mailto:leaguecommissioner@ntwsa.org)
  - [secretary@ntwsa.org](mailto:secretary@ntwsa.org)
  - [fieldcoordinator@ntwsa.org](mailto:fieldcoordinator@ntwsa.org)
- Vice President and A&D Chair – Sylvia Brown reported
  - *Concerns about conditions of fields* - This is being addressed city by city. Sylvia Brown contacted the city of Dallas Park and Rec board. She met them at Moss and showed them the fields. The Dallas Park and Rec representative said NTWSA shouldn't be playing on field 7 because it is a youth field. Sylvia Brown spoke before the park and rec board meeting about conditions and the bathrooms being closed during NTWSA games. Sylvia Brown now has the codes for the gates and restroom at Moss now. The availability of Moneygram was discussed. Currently FC Dallas is running Moneygram and not letting whole city using the fields.
  - *Game Cards* – please note any problems with the complex or fields on the game cards.
  - *Complex Restrictions* – Please look online for restrictions that must be followed for each complex, For example no dogs or alcohol.
- Secretary – Julie Murray reported
  - *Awards* - Awards for champions and finalist have been distributed for those places that have been decided, a representative is present. Captains please respond to emails requesting sizing information for your team.
  - *Champions and Finalist decided so far:*
    - Division 1 – Dallas Roma, Champion
    - Division 2 – Pregamers, Champion; We Kick Ball, Finalists
    - Division 3 – Undetermined at this time
    - Division 4 - Green Express, Champion; Sun Devils, Finalists
    - Division 5 – Undetermined at this time
    - Over 30-1A – Undetermined at this time
    - Over 30-1B – Allure, Champion
    - Over 30-2 - Undetermined at this time
    - Over 30-3 – GC Crew, Champion; Finalist undetermined

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- Over 30-4 - Undetermined at this time
    - Over 30-5 - Undetermined at this time
    - Over 40-A – 40 Ever Young, Champion
    - Over 40-B – Wild Thangs, Champion
  - *Awards Committee* - Volunteers are needed for the Award Committee that researches and chooses the awards for each season. Please contact Julie Murray if you are interested.
- Treasurer – Lori Stallbohm reported
  - *Financials* - A handout of NTWSA's financial position can be found on each chair. Currently the season shows a net profit but there are still have some bills to pay.
  - *Draft Financial Policies* - There is also a draft financial policies document for review. Please provide feedback. These policies are being put in place to give the membership the tools to protect the league against any poor or damaging practices that could happen in the future. At a future meeting the financial policies will be voted upon.
  - *Draft Budget* – This budget has been created based upon information from last two seasons.
- League Commissioner reported
  - *Reschedule Fees* – The league has only charged \$20/game for rescheduling games to weeknights. After a cost analysis of night games for tournament reschedules it has been found that these games cost double the cost of a day game. To cover the cost of these reschedules the Executive Board has raised voted to raise the reschedule fee to \$50/game.
  - *Player charges for next season* - Everyone is a new player in the Fall so all players will be charged \$70.
  - *Fall 2017 dates* - See Appendix A – Fall 2017 Dates
- Field Coordinator – Paula McFarlin reported
  - *Trashed fields or sidelines* - If you come to a field where the fields, sidelines, and/or bleachers have been trashed, please take pictures and send to your division commissioner or a board member. This could protect the league from fines or losing the use of the fields.
  - *Moneygram* - Progress is being made in securing the usage of the Moneygram complex.
- *Sylvia Brown reports for the A&D Committee*
  - The number of cards are up from previous seasons. We had about 9 red cards and 11 yellow cards. Most cards were for “Unsportsman conduct”
- *Patti Callahan reports for the Rules and Regulations Committee*
  - The committee needs volunteers. Currently the committee consists of Executive Board members plus one member. The next meeting is June 10<sup>th</sup>, 10am at the NTWSA office.
- *Anna Sparkman reports for the Tournament Committee*
  - The committee has been working very hard on this. NTWSA will be holding an 8v8 tournament called the NTWSA Fall Festival on October 7<sup>th</sup> at the Cedar Hill complex. This will be a one day tournament. The registration deadline is October 15<sup>th</sup>. The cost per teams will be \$300.00 with an early registration discount of \$275.00. The games will be 25 min halves. Roster size maximum will be 14 players.
- Meeting Adjourned at 8:23pm.

## Appendix A - Fall 2017 Dates

Event	Dates
<b>TEAM REGISTRATION by Captains</b> (online through website) Open, O30, O40 & O50 will each have a separate registration link. NO DEPOSIT REQUIRED	June 1 – June 15, 2017
<b>Individual Player Registration Opens</b> (online through website) Individual Player Registration (\$70) Dual Registration (70 + 40 = \$110) Dual Dual (70+40+40 = \$150)  Open, O30, O40 & O50 will each have a separate registration link.	July 1, 2017
<b>Team Reschedule Requests</b> If you requested a date off during the Fall 2017 Season then the <b>\$50</b> per request must be RECEIVED by this date in order to honor your request. Payments may be made online with the “ONLINE PAYMENT” link.	July 15, 2017
<b>Every team must have at least 15 players registered and paid by this date to reserve your spot in the league.</b> At this point in time we must do team placements, reserve fields and start the scheduling process.	July 22, 2017
<b>Only players that have registered and paid by this date will have their cards given to their captains at the Beginning of Season Meeting on August 14, 2017.</b> If players register after this date then they will need to make arrangements to pick up their ID card from Patti Callahan.	July 30, 2017
<b>CAPTAIN’S MEETING—7 PM</b> <b>Richardson Women’s Club</b> 2005 N Cliffe, Richardson, TX 75082	Aug 14, 2017, 7pm
<b>First game of the season!</b>	Aug 20, 2017
Labor Day Holiday (no games scheduled)	Sept 3, 2017
<b>Last game of the season!</b>	Oct 29, 2017
<b>Possible make-up dates if the season needs to be extended.</b>	Nov 5, Nov 12 2017
<b>CAPTAIN’S MEETING—7 PM</b> <b>Richardson Women’s Club</b> 2005 N Cliffe, Richardson, TX 75082	Nov 13, 2017 7pm

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