



## EC Meeting Minutes

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Type of Meeting: Executive Counsel

Location: Zoom Meeting

Date/Time: **Monday 7:00 PM – October 24, 2022**

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1. Call to Order

Present: All EC Members. (Gene Mehrtens, Chuck Williams, Darry Dickerhoff, Rick Bergman, John Wilson, Mike Ferguson, Mark DeBold, Gary Schmitz)

2. New Players and Teams for 2023 Season - The members discussed the operation of the players' pool. It was agreed the league will support existing teams first, then the possible formation of new teams with players from the pool. Facebook Ads will begin ASAP. Darryl Dickerhoff will email the managers soliciting who plans on returning.

3. New Wood Bat League - Longtime member Tom Jersan is forming a 40+ wood bat league which will play a limited schedule on weekends. The EC is interested in partnering with the new league in an effort to find a place for players who remain in our pool.

4. Umpire Issues – The league continues to have difficulty securing umpires for games. A repeating issue is the on-field exchanges initiated by our members. The EC will review the current ejection guidelines and is considering increasing the penalties for being ejected from a game. The EC will also develop a policy statement concerning the interactions between members and umpires. We are in the last year of our contract and anticipate a major price increase if the contract is renewed.

5. Liability Waiver Process – The EC members agreed the Liability Waiver process worked well in 2022 and will be used again in 2023. Rick Bergman will notify the managers before the rosters are “cleared” for the upcoming season.
6. Under Performing Teams – Members discussed underperforming teams. The EC will continue to work with the managers of these teams in an effort to help them improve and we encourage other managers to help where able. The EC will not entertain any proposed rules calling for the disbandment of teams based upon subjective criteria.
7. Forfeits and Rescheduling of Lost Games – Rick Bergman will review the Forfeit rules and procedures and he will seek input from the managers concerning the best way to reschedule lost games.
8. Schedule – Rick Bergman will seek input from the managers regarding the following:
  - Identifying all Sun fields and adjusting start times accordingly.
  - Tripling up on fields on weekends with 12:00, 3:30 and 7:00 PM start times.
  - Saturday and Sunday evening games.
  - July 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31th, weekend start times 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM.
  - Assembling the post season schedule ASAP.

Rick Bergman will also assemble a list of all vendor lighting on and off times.

9. Securing New Fields – Darryl Dickerhoff, Gary Schmitz and Rick Bergman will work together in securing new fields.
10. Senior Division – The members of the EC confirmed by unanimous consent confirmed that the Senior Division will operate with the following parameters.
  - There are no set teams.
  - Players will be assigned teams each season by a process decided by the managers.
  - Players may request to be assigned with other players however, there are no guarantees of honoring these requests as parity among the teams is the primary objective.
  - Players as young as 60 years of age can participate.
  - 1 EC member will act as a liaison between the division and the EC.
  - A policy statement will be developed and placed into the rules/by-laws.

11. Current Rules in Need of Review – The following rules will be reviewed with the managers during the first managers meeting of the season.
  - Courtesy runner for the catcher.
  - Proper use of line-up cards.
  - How a player receives game credit.
12. The manager's meeting is set for Saturday January 7<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 Noon. Location to be determined. \$500 team deposits are due.