

Mangers Meeting Minutes



Type of Meeting: Executive Committee
Location: Bowersox Insurance Agency - 3537 South Kingshighway
Date/Time: Saturday December 21, 2013 – 10:00AM

Actions taken:

- Managers voted to implement shared lineup for both 45 and 53 divisions. Rule will be written to allow team to declare 'shared' or 'courtesy' at each pregame ground rules meeting. Courtesy will allow an A-B lineup Shared will not.
- Passed to keep age limit at 53 and not go to 54. Will allow 2 exemption players age 52. In 2015, exemption players will no longer be allowed.
- Will schedule EC meeting before the deposit cutoff and next managers meeting will be after the deposit cutoff. Tentatively 1/12 and 1/18.
- Teams were polled on whether to get a credit or check on 2013 refund.
- Game Time: **Passed** motion to have no time limit on all playoff games. Rules need to be updated and Umpires notified.
- Player Pool – By-Laws will be updated for:
 - (All 45 players in pool will be given to new teams until 1/15. Then enter free agency period until 2/1)
 - After January 15, new registrations will be emailed to all managers. The bottom ½ teams – based on 2013 final standings - will have exclusive access for 72 hours. If not signed up with a team, then all managers can contact.
 - Once a team in the bottom half has signed up a player, that team will not get to sign up a pool player in the 72 hour period until each of the other bottom half teams have signed up a pool player.
- Number of games; 25 for 45+ and 30 for 53+ - **Deferred** until number of teams are known.
- Passed: Voted to defer discussions with JohnnyMac(MSBL) for 2014 season.

Announcements/Reminders:

- Teams will receive a refund from the surplus of the 2013 fees in the form of a credit or check at the manager's option.
- Teams need to pay \$500 by January 15 to secure a spot for the 2014 season. After this date, we will publish the 45 and 53 division teams for the 2014 season.
- Managers need to enter game stats within 7 days. Opposing coach needs to validate the attendance entered. Discrepancies will be addressed promptly consistent with current rules. If you note a discrepancy, notify Rick Bergman
- Passed around new lineup card to be used (mandatory) for 2014 season.

Discussions Included:

1. Organizational/Bylaws
 - a. Understanding duties/Limitations of EC and Officers
 - b. What decisions require a manager's vote.
 - c. Need ByLaws Review
 - d. Transparency – publish all meetings and votes
2. Financial
 - a. Current Financial Report – distributed results and checkbook
 - b. Other major fees and dates – Pay \$500 Team Deposit by January 15, 2014
 - c. Total Team Fees will be finalized after number of games, fields to be used and umpires have been finalized.
3. Teams, Players and Umpires
 - a. New teams – 2 have applied
 - b. Quality of Umpires – discussed variety of ways to evaluate.
 - c. 60+ League – two teams ready, 9 on 3rd team.
 - d. Drop probation for new teams.
 - e. Player Pool management
 - f. Clarified procedure for adding teams
 - g. Scheduling (Regular, Rain and Playoffs). Playoff schedule will be published by 7/15.
 - h. Discusses play at the plate and rule change required.
4. Merger discussions with JohnnyMac (exMSBL)
5. New Items

Reference Material:

Roy Hobbs World Series - Shared Lineup Rule:

4.05 Offensive substitution: RHBB uses the Shared Lineup position to enter more than one player in any offensive batting order position.

4.05a Offensive substitution is unlimited, provided said player stays in the same spot in the lineup once he is placed there (i.e., a batter and a runner for that batter may occupy the same position in the offensive lineup; the manager must declare who is batting at that lineup position if there is a change. Neither player may appear in any other offensive lineup slot.) A manager may use an unlimited number of players in any lineup slot, but those players cannot be used elsewhere offensively.

4.05b A shared position in the offensive lineup may be initiated any time at manager's discretion.

4.05c Managers must notify umpires and opposing manager/scorebook when players in shared-lineup positions are being switched the first time in the game. (Penalty for failure to report: Handle same as batting out of order, and to challenge, follow the same rules that apply to batting out of order – ORB 6.07.)

4.05d There are no courtesy runners. Use shared lineup position.