

Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League
2019 Pre-Season Meeting
April 3, 2019
Cedar Lane Park
Columbia, MD

Minutes

Help needed! Any volunteers. Take a moment and ask if your team is providing any help with league administration. We need a comptroller and according to by-laws an Assistant Commissioner.

1. Franchise Fee and Playoffs - \$195. All fees collected.
2. Softball Order – thanks to Mike Crist for handling the order!
3. 2019 Budget - Fee increase provides additional funds. We can use for awards or other things. If not, we can lower next year fee.
4. USA Softball of Maryland-DC-Delaware – 2019 Registration. I am in process of updating the spreadsheet for the league and sending payment. No new rules!
5. Schedule/Playoffs – Website
 - a. The regular season will begin on Wednesday April 24th
 - b. Games during the first two weeks may begin at 11am to avoid cold. Late start is up to team managers per mutual agreement. This is provided as a reminder.
 - c. Post Season playoffs – Can playoffs be held after Labor Day? If not, they will begin on August 19th.
 - d. Website – many thanks to Russ Lease of the Howard Hitters for volunteering to manager our website. ***And to Larry Gellar for staying on in his dual roles of Web Master and Comptroller until I can locate some help.***
6. Handling makeup games – **Managers must post rainouts on the web as soon as the game is called.** This will be a work in process as we move thru the season. I will use the web site to determine how many games have been rained out. If league wide or a majority have been, I will move all games to the next open date. The objective is to help us complete more games. I am totally open to any suggestions.

7. Rosters – 2019 rosters submitted to commissioner by email in spreadsheet format.

New players need to be identified and proof of age submitted.
All players on the 2018 roster will be assumed legal?

As of 4/9, 8 team have not provided this year's roster.

8. Revisions Game Rules -

Rule D.1 10-minute break approved.

Rule D.3 One and One Count – approved

Rule D.4 League Time Limit – put on hold by commissioner.

Rule D.5 Extra Inning Tie Breaker – rule will be amended to allow courtesy runner from home to be runner at second.

League Time Limit Hold – many managers did not reply to game rules email. But according to my tally the final vote would be 12 – 8 for the rule, but I do understand the concerns expressed. So I felt we should see how much going to 1 and 1 will control the length of games. If managers agree, the limit can be used.

Can home team managers keep track of game time to determine if limit would have been applied?

Rules Committee will work on revisions of rules concerning rosters and makeups etc. as they evolve.

Please reply to emails.

9. Revised BAT List 2019 – no new hot sticks. Attached 2019 List will be posted and attached per email.