3 Score Board Meeting minutes

2/17/2021

Place: Capogna's Restaurant

Board member Attendance: Pete Winter, Mike Powell, Avery Stiglitz, Sid Heuton, Jack Albertson,

Al Bartolo, Dan Dulin, Russ Staffield

Quorum established 11:31am meeting commenced.

Meeting minutes from 1/25/2021 approved

Treasury report: Mike Powell

$15,733.80 in treasury. $192 coming back from safety Harbor because of rain out non-use days.

An audit of 3Score books was taken by Al Melendez. No deficiencies were found.

An audit of uniform purchase receipts versus inventory will be taken September 3, 2021 to reconcile any differences. Treasury report approved.

Shed update: Jack Albertson:

The new shed would have been a 5’X6’ building with a 6’8” wall, a 14/12 roof pitch on a 6-inch metal frame. The total height would have been 8’4”. The cost is $2,499. The city of Clearwater is asking

3Score to keep the new shed at 6 feet tall. Six feet is the height of the perimeter brick wall that the old shed is currently in. Altering the specs, Tuff Shed can build a 5’x 6’ building with a 5’8” wall, a 2/12 roof pitch on a 6-inch metal frame. The total height would be 6’8”. That would make the doorway entrance between 5’2” and 5’4” because the door has to be under a header with the A frame design. The 2/12 roof pitch does not shed water well and this would be a pretty small low shed. Sid has proposed to the city to have a shed built across from the city park shed between field 1 & 2 in the outfield. There is plenty of space there to put a bigger shed. We could put wagons in the shed to carry nets, ball crates, ball caddy holders, bases, score boards etc. So now the new options are: see if the city would allow us to build a modified 6’8” high shed in the old site or allow us a new site across from the city shed to build a bigger 8’X8’ shed. We will await an answer from the city. A motion was approved to up the budget for the larger shed from the current $3000 budget to $4,500 with an amendment to $5000 if the city lets 3 Score build between field 1&2. By approving this new budget in advance, it could speed up the build project if we receive city approval for the new building sight.

Ethics committee discussion: Sid Heuton

Kevin Schanz suspension is for a season. Kevin is going to be able to come back after one season with a warning of no more incidents or he could be expelled from 3Score. There was discussion on the ability for the president to suspend individuals until an ethics investigation is completed and a board review of the incident and decision is made. It’s determined that the president can temporarily suspend individuals until a final review and consequence is determined. Also, the “3Score rule violation and consequences” sheet will be amended to capture captain’s, umpires and **“president**” can always collaborate on the field to determine timely consequences or suspension during the game.

Rules committee discussion: Al Melendez:

A lot of discussion about the current veering rule and all the issues it can cause. A proposal was put forth to keep the current rule as outlined in the Official 3 Score Rules (June 17, 2019). However, the rule will be amended to read: Sliding is allowed at any base, except Home Plate. When a Base Runner is forced out at the base he is attempting to reach, he must slide or veer off the base path to get out of the way of the throw. Breaking up a double play attempt is not allowed. Should a Base Runner interfere with completing a throw or **forcibly contact a defensive player at that base**,interference will be called resulting in a Double Play. Both the Base Runner and the Batter will be called out. The proposal and motion were approved to amend this rule. This rule is meant to enforce “avoiding collisions at all cost”. Al Melendez, Russ Staffield and Phil Mansueto are going to have a live demonstration of the veering rule on the field in front of 3Score members. Additionally, they are going to schedule an umpire clinic.

National League discussion: Al Bartolo

There have been no real incidents and no new issues to discuss.

Other discussion Items:

A National League and American league get together and hot dog cook out was discussed. They would like to have this after an upcoming game. Because of Covid19, Sid is going to ask the city for permission to allow a member get together in the picnic area at the Eddie C Moore complex.

Sid signed the Eddie C Moore agreement with the City of Clearwater last week which happens every year. There are no changes to the current agreement. The city approached Sid about 3Score volunteering for venues outside of softball. There has been no volunteering activity this year since Covid19 interrupted our regular winter women’s softball tournaments. The possible city examples of volunteer venues are: painting of city buildings or structures, working Moccasin Lake as receptionist, adopt a city park cleanup committee, adopt a street cleanup committee, adopt a walking or bike trail cleanup committee and greeters for some softball tournaments. The Board is looking for lead volunteers to coordinate these projects. The lead volunteer’s job would be to recruit 3Score volunteers. Then coordinate and schedule the volunteers time and activities with the venues the City of Clearwater officials are sponsoring.

A discussion was had about having a Designated Runner (DR rule) for temporary situations where a member has been injured or recovering from surgery. This rule would only apply to short-term medical rehabilitation. There was rich discussion around does this DR option open up a host of problems around anyone wanting a DR. This is why we have a national league. A motion was put forth that a member has to have a written doctors excuse, the DR rule can only apply for up to four weeks within a six-month period. This means an individual would only be able to apply for a (DR) Designated runner rule twice a year for a valid medical rehabilitation period. Motion was approved.

Motion to adjourn at 1:12 PM

Meeting minutes

Jack Albertson

3Score Secretary