



## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING April 20, 2020 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by President Scott Eisenbraun.

**Present:** Scott Eisenbraun; Donna Langdon; Alexandra Vidaurri; Jason Brenner; Jeremy Mikell; Matt Friedman; Sam Cohen; Paul James; Bob Kepner; and Executive Director Darius Ejlali

**Quorum:** With 9 of 12 officers present, a quorum was reported.

### Approval of Minutes

- The minutes of the March 16 Monthly Meeting were approved as written.
- The minutes of the March 29 Special Email Vote were approved as written.

The President asked those present to give an update on their personal status during the pandemic. All reported.

### New Business

- Virtual Meetings with Leagues: Scott reported that an idea to schedule a series of virtual meetings with league representatives had emerged from a conversation between him and Darius in the week prior to the meeting. In the discussion that followed, strong support for the idea was voiced. A variety of formats were discussed. The central purposes would be to foster strong working relationships between the state officers and the leagues and to give the leagues an opportunity to interact. Scott appointed an ad hoc committee to
- Other topics:
- League Fees / Player Fees. After discussion, the decision was made to not immediately give refunds. Further discussion will be deferred until a future meeting.
- Will people be concerned or have reservations about close contact coming out of the pandemic? It was agreed that would likely be a concern
- Assessment of pitches that the leagues play on. Some cities have stopped mowing. How do they look? Little discussion on this subject. Since none of us has visited a field lately, assessment of field condition is not possible.
- What is the status of each league? Do the league presidents feel comfortable with numbers (returning players)? Several leagues are represented on the Executive Committee, making it possible for league status for their leagues to be reported. Status of other leagues is not possible.
- To that point, people have lost their jobs, can't afford to play? This subject was not discussed.
- Are we going to "bail out" any leagues. This relates to number (1) above. Bailing out leagues is not something that is presently being considered.
- Coming out of this do we institute any new rules or recommendations (close contact, shaking hands, etc.)? No new standard or rules is a subject presently under consideration.

### Unfinished Business

- USSF, USASA, NCASA actions in response to Coronavirus outbreak (Scott; Darius)
  - Review of communication received ... Darius and Scott explained the communication.
  - Review of communication to leagues and related actions ... Short discussion on this subject. Darius reviewed the communication that he was aware of.
  - Discussions and questions about player fees: After discussion, the decision was made to not immediately give refunds. Further discussion will be deferred until a future meeting.
- NCASA Safe Sport Policy actions (Darius; Donna; Paul; ad hoc committee) after discussion, It was determined that each officer should take the online course on this subject. Discussion included the explanation that each member of a team that has a youth player might need to pay \$30.00 for a criminal background check. It was agreed that the price is high and will lead to noncompliance by many.
- Region 3 Workshop actions (Scott; Darius) ... No action taken yet by the region leadership.
- Website actions (Vance; Donna; Darius)
  - Blue Sombrero alignment ... Alignment is falling into place.
  - Status of ending the SportsEngine contract (Scott; Donna, Darius) ... communication with SportsEngine leaders has been difficult
  - Maintenance of the website ... Significant steps have been taken to update the website.
- Recent Constant Contact communication with membership (Darius)... The only recent communication via Constant Contact was the statement that was transmitted at the end of March
- Status of actions on goals in storage (Darius; Scott) ... Scott stated that he would resolve the matter soon.
- Status of planning for NCASA Board Retreat ... After discussion, Jeremy agreed to take the lead on this.

### Competitions

- Carolinas Cup 2020 (Charleston) update ... status remains in limbo.
- Celebrate the Tatas progress report ... Alex reported that no recent action has been taken

### Adjourn

Next Meetings: May 18<sup>th</sup>, June 15<sup>th</sup>, July 20<sup>th</sup>

**Region III and National Events: USASA Region III Workshop June 27–28 , USASA AGM September 24–27 (Bonita Springs, FL)**