

CDSSL Board of Directors Meeting October 21, 2014

Attendees:

Tom Shields, Bob Kibbey, Dan Kittay, Tom Ricci, Jerry Smith, Bob Curley, Chris Hansen, Dale Meyers, Bill Brockley.

Meeting called to order by President Shields at 7:08 p.m. at the American Legion, Grooms Rd., Clifton Park N.Y.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of previous meeting held on April 15, 2014, read by Secretary Kittay. Motion to accept the minutes made by Chris Hansen, seconded by Jerry Smith. Passed unanimously.

Financial report:

Financial report read by Treasurer Kibbey. The league spent about \$3,600 more than it brought in last year.

There was an extended discussion of the league's financial situation. President Shields noted that if we keep spending more money than we take in at the present rate, we will exhaust our reserve fund in a few years.

The league has some costs that it has to pay in order to function, such as field rental, paying umpires, and game equipment such as balls. There are areas where we can cut spending, such as on the annual banquet, awards, and advertising in local newspapers.

Those present agreed to cut banquet expenses, both by exploring finding a less expensive facility, and recommending that guest tickets no longer be subsidized by the league. Player's tickets would continue to be subsidized. Advertising will be capped at \$500 per year. A suggestion to require managers to only furnish one game ball for each game, instead of the current two, was not accepted.

President Shields also requested that the board consider a motion to raise the annual player registration fee from \$100 to \$120. He said this would, in conjunction with reduced expenses, close the spending gap, without imposing a significant hardship on players. There was not a quorum present to vote on the proposal. Attendees agreed to conduct a vote by email, with results to be announced at the next meeting.

Reserve List

Tom Ricci clarified that the Craig Division's reserve policy now says that reserves cannot be used in playoff games.

Team Sponsors

President Shields reminded division reps that they would need to verify that they

would have enough team sponsors for the 2015 season. He also said that Falzo division rep Dale Meyers will be moving to the Craig Division next year, and that Falzo would need to choose a new rep.

Tractor Status

There was discussion of the condition of the tractors, and what costs would be when the need arose to replace either of them. Jerry Smith will get the tractors serviced before next season.

Committees

President Shields noted that the Banquet Committee needed new members to arrange for next year's banquet.

There was no Old Business or New Business presented.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 P.M.
Dan Kittay, Secretary CDSSL