

PSSSA
General Meeting ~ Tukwila, WA
Tuesday, January 19, 2016

Meeting was called to order by President Al Talley at 1005 hours with all Board members present except Sheri McConnaughy. There were 27 other members present and one non-PSSSA guest. Not present were Aegis Redmond, Renton Softball, Sims Vibration Labs 65s, Sims 65's, 21 For Fun, and Ruth.

Treasurer's Report ~ \$3300 on hand with all bills paid.

Teams returning ~ At present it appears that all 29 teams from last year will return for 2016. Ancient Rainiers 70's is a new team this year and will probably rank near the middle of the field. There are 2 team name changes.

Season Start ~ Start date will be Monday, April 25, 2016. The week of July 4-9 will be the Off Week. Celebration Field will be closed July 4 through July 15. Steel Lake will not be closed for this period.

Softballs ~ All teams will receive one dozen 375/44 balls. Extra balls are \$39 per dozen and they must be ordered from Harlen Ward on or before February 17. Any order for extra balls after this date will cost \$42 per dozen.

Teams Requesting Extra Players ~

Hornets ~ one O/F

N.W. 80's ~ 2-3

Alcan ~ 4

Straydogs ~ 2

Miscellaneous ~ Short presentation by City of Redmond re use of Grass Lawn Fields and sponsorship of a possible new team or sponsorship of an existing team.

Rules ~ If you have any suggestions re new or existing rules, e-mail them to Harlen Ward and they will be discussed at the February Meeting.

Umpires ~ Within last five years PSSSA has used: WWUA, ISA, and ASA. From the general comments during the meeting it appears that all three have pluses and minuses. Some members swear by some, and some members swear at some. In my opinion, from the comments heard, they all grade about the same.

Fields ~ Ron Miller will meet with Underwood officials and obtain Field costs for 2016. Rich Mialovich will do same for Crestwood. Field cost for Celebration and Steel Lake will be \$20 per game. Grass Lawn in Redmond (artificial turf) is also under consideration.

Open Discussion ~ Tom Frare advised the "Players Memorial Tournament" will be held in Lacey June 4 & 5 with 5 games guaranteed and a cost of \$250. If you are aware of a Senior Softball player who passed in 2015, or earlier, contact Tom before May 22, 2016.

Phil Isernio is contemplating starting an 85's Team, of which there are only four in the USA. If you are 83 or older, contact Phil at 206-243-4560.

Next meeting will be February 17th in Room A, Tukwila, at 1000 hours.

Meeting adjourned at 1115 hours.

Gene Owen, Secretary