

**COLORADO SENIOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**  
**Board Meeting Minutes - August 7, 2009**  
**Highland Recreation Center**

1. **Meeting Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by Emilio Sanelli. Board members present: Emilio Sanelli, Stan Harbour, Bob Lowrey, and Bob Poirot.  
Board members absent: Tom Fernandez, Robin Garneau, Mike Massong, David Spoerke, Jerry Nethercot, Gene Anderson
2. **Introduction of Guests:** Sanelli introduced Mark Rouch of the Scrap Iron Diamonds team. Bill Breithaupt, this year's Tournament Director, was also present.
3. **Approval of Minutes, June 5, 2009:** Poirot motioned that the minutes of the June 5, 2009 meeting be approved, seconded by Lowrey and approved unanimously.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Garneau had sent her latest Treasurer's Report via e-mail to Board members. Hard copies were handed out to those without a copy. Sanelli noted that there were two deducts shown, for softballs purchase and for the ASA membership costs. Lowrey raised a question regarding Garneau's request, received from the local ASA rep, for names and addresses of all managers. The question is why does ASA want this information and what do they plan to do with it. Sanelli will check with Garneau on this matter.
5. **Tournament Committee report for 70's and Wednesday's leagues:**
6. **Review standings/build tournament divisions:**

Breithaupt reported as follows;

- 70's Tournament- Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>; at Broomfield; no charges. Breithaupt has met with Garneau and everything is set up at Broomfield. Breithaupt has contacted 11 of the 12 70's teams and asked if they wanted to have two 6 team groups with double elimination rounds, or three 4 team groups with round robin rounds; results were 7 for round robin and 4 for the double elimination, so tournament will be round robin.
- 70's Groups as follows:
  - 70's Group A- Scrap Iron Green, Colorado Cougars, Denver USA 70's & Scrap Iron Red.
  - 70's Group B- Wheeler Management, Colorado Silverstreaks, Johnson Blue Jays & Longmont 70's.
  - 70's Group C- Golden, Aurora 70's, CovenantVillage & Lakewood Lyons.
- Wed. Leagues Tournament- Aug. 17 thru 19 (Aug. 20 for rainout make-ups)- at Shaeffer Complex; \$1300 for 6 fields for 4+ days. Breithaupt has established a schedule with generic teams, i.e. G-4, 5 vs 2, which means

Group 4, Team 5 versus Team 2. Also, has prepared a proposed grouping of teams. The Board reviewed the proposed grouping of teams, making a few adjustments. Groupings were based on Won/Lost record, runs for and against and any other information about teams available to the Board at the time of the meeting. Groups are as follows:

- Group 1- Kennel Kough, Wheat Ridge Express, Golden Silvers, Frontier Club & Longmont Scrappers
- Group 2- Evergreen #1, Greeley, Loveland, Ace-Hi & Scrap Iron Diamonds
- Group 3- JC & the Sunset Boys, Edward Jones, Broomfield Sava Senior, Evergreen #3, Denver Eagles
- Group 4- Evergreen #2, Castle Rockies, Johnson Blue Jays, JR Engineering & Prime Timers
- Group 5- APEX Red, Louisville Bulls, Greeley Odds & Ends, APEX Blue & Colorado Cougars
- Group 6- Scrap Iron Red 65's, Broomfield Eagles, Perkins, BEARS & Louisville Miners
- Group 7- Lakewood Cougars, Berkley Braves, Longmont Scrappers, Triple D Ranch & Scrap Iron 80's
- Group 8- APEX White, Evergreen #4, Lakewood Hawks, Golden Eagles & Gamblers
- Group 9- Nestle Butterfingers, Edward Jones, Brown Insurance, Erie Tigers & Castle Rockers
- Group 10- Louisville Sluggers, Wheat Ridge Silver Foxes, Caldwell Banker, Greeley Gophers, Westminster & Copy Cats.

Breithaupt will revise the Team Groups sheet and get the schedule package to Sanelli, who will get the package mailed out to all managers as soon as possible.

**Post-meeting note: Schedule packages were mailed out approximately 2:30 PM on Aug. 7, 2009.**

- Lowrey raised an issue regarding the Kennel Kough team in the B-1 Division. Because of the make-up of the team, i.e. players who are high level tournament players, this team is so strong, that they are more competitive than the other teams in B-1. The team can not be "moved up", as they are already in CSSA's highest Division. Consideration will be given that the second place team in Group 1 is recognized if the Kennel Kough team wins the tournament as expected.
- Lowrey raised an issue of whether to do the tournament groupings after the sixth week of the second half of the season, instead of after the seventh week, due to time constraints of getting the information to managers and managers/players making their schedule arrangements. Consideration on this matter will be addressed before next year's planning is done.

7. **T-shirt/awards update:** Information is being gathered by Sanelli and Spoerke regarding champions of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> half league play, and will be merged with the tournament results. An Awards Committee meeting will be held soon after the tournament to decide on awards (T-shirts) and orders will be placed as soon as possible.
  - Harbour noted that Greeley and Frontier Club had made up rained-out games from the first half of the season, in which Greeley won both make-up games, and thus Greeley was the champion for the B-2 Division for the first half and will receive the T-shirts/awards.
  
8. **Website report:** Lowrey reported as follows:
  - Lowrey noted that there is an issue of timing of posting results on the website, i.e. it takes 3 to 5 days to get results posted once he sends the information of Malcolm.
  - Lowrey noted that the Minutes of Meetings and the CSSA Rules are posted on the website.
  
9. **Fall Manager's Meeting Date:** The Fall Manager's Meeting will be held on October 22, 2009, 10:30 AM, at the Denver Elks Club.
  
10. **Assign August/September timeline duties:** Reviewed the master list of timeline duties and assigned actions
  - After make-up games next week, Lowrey will provide information, i.e. final standings, to Sanelli who will work with Spoerke and Massong on finalizing league champion awards to teams who won their Divisions in the first and second halves of the season.
  
11. **Other:**
  - Harbour handed out a sheet with a "Draft Flip-Flop" rule for all Board members to review and offer comments. Harbour plans to submit a rule change (addition) to the CSSA Rules in October to add a Flip-Flop rule.
  
12. **Next Meeting:** The next CSSA Board meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2009 at 9:30 AM, at a location to be advised.
  
13. **Adjournment:** Poirot motioned that the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Lowrey and approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.

Minutes recorded by Stan Harbour; 8-7-09