

**COLORADO SENIOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**  
**Board Meeting Minutes –March 11, 2010**  
**Highlands Senior 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, Dennis Murray, Joe Carabello, David Spoerke, Robin Garneau  
Board members absent: Tom Fernandez, Mike Massong, Jerry Nethercot, Bob Poirot
2. **Introduction of Guests:** Sanelli introduced Barry Sweeney from Evergreen, sitting in for Bob Poirot; Adam Elnicki from Broomfield; Ron Spry from JR Engineering; Rich Gilliland from JR Engineering, Gene Anderson from Covenant Village of the 70s division and Lloyd Leheke from Erie #2.
3. **Approval of Minutes, January 20, 2010 & February 18, 2010 Meetings:** Spoerke motioned that the minutes of both meetings be approved, seconded by Murray and approved unanimously.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Garneau reported that the Treasurer's Report was the same as last reported, i.e. a balance of \$3,553.66. Sanelli presented Garneau with several new items at the meeting; Garneau will update the Treasurer's Report.
5. **Board Vacancies Update:** The only vacancy to consider is the pending retirement of Sanelli as Commissioner effective Oct. 31, 2010. Sanelli reported that he had not received any inquiries from potential candidates.
6. **Tournament Venue & Suggestions:**
  - Garneau mentioned that the balance of funds available looked good so that should not be a limitation in selecting the tournament venue.
  - Harbour suggested that the Tournament Committee, appointed at the January Board meeting (Sanelli, Massong & Bill Breithaupt), should address the tournament venue, considering all factors, such as availability of fields, cost, amenities, etc. Harbour also reminded the Board of the opinion vote taken at the February Managers Meeting, which was about even votes between the Aurora Sports Complex and Shaeffer Complex in Lakewood.
  - Ron Spry (JR Engineering) stated that it would be nice to have the tournament at Aurora, i.e. alternating locations between Shaeffer and Aurora.
  - Sanelli will check with the Aurora people to see what their deadline is regarding a decision by CSSA.
  - Carabello suggested that if the tournament was at Shaeffer again, that CSSA should have more say on calling games due to weather problems. He felt that in last year's tournament, play was suspended too early on the day that the rains came in the early afternoon.

7. **Sort Registrations:** Prior to the start of the meeting, Sanelli and Harbour had sorted the registration forms that had been received, into general categories of division groupings.
8. **Build Divisions:** Harbour led an effort of placing the teams into the different divisions. The Board used all information available, i.e. records of teams from the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the 2009 season, tournament group/record from the 2009 tournament, information included on the registration forms of all teams, and any other information available to the Board, including information from any of the guests at the meeting. The results of the effort are as follows:
  - B-1 Division (8 teams): Scrap Iron Diamonds, Loveland, Evergreen #1, Ace-Hi, Longmont Scrappers, Golden Team Combat (was Golden Silvers last year), Texaco Xpress Lube, and Frontier Club.
  - B-2 Division (7 teams): Broomfield, Greeley, JC & the Sunset Boys, Edward Jones #1, Denver Eagles, Hector's ( was Johnson Blue Jays last year), and Evergreen #2.
  - C-1 Division (8 teams): APEX Red, Louisville Bulls, Evergreen #3, Prime Time, Castle Rockies, JR Engineering, Colorado Cougars, and APEX Blue.
  - C-2 Division (8 teams): Perkins/Westminster, Louisville Miners, Lakewood Bears, Broomfield Fields (new team), Scrap Iron 65s/Reds, Desert Foxes (Longmont), Broomfield Screaming Eagles, and Greeley O&Es. **NOTE: It was recognized after the meeting that the Greeley team was included here by mistake, as this team is not playing this year. See post meeting note below.**
  - D-1 Division (6 or 7 teams): APEX White, Lakewood Cougars, Triple D Ranch, Berkeley Braves, Evergreen #4, Lakewood Hawks, plus a possible new team "The Horsemen", playing at Rude Field in Denver. A final decision on The Horsemen team will be made on Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - D-2 Division (8 teams): Edward Jones #2, Golden Eagles, Wheat Ridge Silver Foxes, Brown Insurance, Castle Rockers, Nestle Butterfingers, Erie Tigers #1, and Scrap Iron 80s
  - E Division (6 teams): Coldwell Banker, Erie Tigers #2 (new team), Greeley Gray Gophers, Westminster, Louisville Sluggers, and Wheeler Management Group (new team from Greeley).

**Post meeting note:** It was confirmed that the "The Horsemen" team would play in 2010, so they were included in the D-1 Division, making it a seven team division. To correct the mistake of including the Greeley O&Es team in the C-2 Division, the following changes were made:

  - Move Hectors from B-2 back to C-1, making B-2 a six team division.
  - Move APEX Blue back to C-2, keeping C-1 as an eight team division.
  - C-2 Division stays as an eight team division with APEX Blue filling the void created by removing the Greeley team, which will not play in 2010.
9. **Assign Standings Secretaries:** Harbour reported that Standings Secretaries have been identified for seven of the eight divisions, including the 70s Division.

Harbour will work with Bob Lowrey to finalize the Standings Secretaries assignments.

**10. Assign March/April Timeline Duties:** Sanelli reviewed the Timeline Duties list as follows:

- Review Spring Managers Meeting- done with items of this agenda.
- Confirm Standings Secretaries- see item 9 above.
- Confirm Tournament Venues- see item 6 above.
- Sort registrations and build divisions- see items 7 and 8 above.
- Scheduling Committee meets after the March Board Meeting, etc. Sanelli and Gene Anderson will prepare the schedules for the 70s Division (13 teams) and Harbour will prepare the schedules for the Wednesday divisions as soon as possible. Copies will be supplied to all team managers as soon after completion of the schedules as possible. No firm deadlines were set, but all agreed to move forward as quickly as possible. Schedules will also be posted on the web-site as soon as possible.

**11. Other:**

- Sanelli requested that Massong, Carabello, Harbour and Murray work with him on the tournament planning.
- Sanelli mentioned that “spring training” had begun with the Barnum Fun League, with teams playing at Barnum on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting at 10 AM.

**12. Next Meeting:** No meeting is scheduled in April. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 6, 2010, 9:30 AM, at the Highlands Senior Center. The following meeting will be on Friday, June 4, 2010, 9:30 AM, at the Highlands Senior Center. The June meeting will be two days after the last scheduled Wednesday games of the first half of the season.

**13. Adjournment:** Murray motioned that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Spoerke. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Minutes recorded by Stan Harbour; 3-11-10