

KAUAI SENIOR CITIZEN SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
February 1, 2023
Lihue Public Library Conference Room

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by President Eric Sakazaki. Roll was called. All teams except *Bushwackas* (of the regular league), and *Koloa Cane Cutters* (of the 70's Division), were represented. A quorum was declared.

Approval of the Agenda

Upon motion, second, and vote, the Agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes of January 4, 2023

The Minutes of the meeting of January 4, 2023, distributed by email prior to the meeting, were approved by motion, second and vote.

Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of January 18, 2023

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 18, 2023, distributed by email prior to the meeting, were approved by motion, second and vote.

Treasurer's Report

At the meeting Treasurer Stephen Fujii distributed his first Treasurer's Report for the 2023 Season, through January 31, 2023. The year's beginning balance was \$12,065.46; the ending balance for the month of January was \$14,274.03, reflecting \$3,875 income in entry fees and \$1,665.93 in Disbursements.

Upon motion, second and vote, the Report was approved.

League Coordinator's Report: No League Coordinator

Season 2023 Schedule

A new schedule for the first round robin of the 2023 season was adopted at the Special Meeting of January 18, 2023. An "updated" Schedule was distributed prior to the meeting, which has the rained out games of January 21st scheduled for April 8th at Isenberg and Hanamaulu fields.

A motion was made and seconded that that rather than only rescheduling to April 8th, and in general for rainouts, the affected teams may mutually agree to a different day/time for their rained-out game, arranging for their fields and umpires, but preferably

adding to an existing Saturday schedule. [In particular, for example, *Hillsiders* and *West Kauai* may play their make-up game on Saturday, February 4th, at Eleele following the scheduled games.] All schedule changes should be reported (in the absence of a League Coordinator) to JC, in time that he can make changes to other scheduled games and he can avoid conflicting reschedulings. Upon vote, the motion passed.

A proposed schedule for the second round robin, to begin April 22nd, was distributed by email prior to the meeting. There was some discussion. Approval of or changes to will be an agenda item at the March Board meeting.

President's Report - Eric Sakazaki

We are seeking a League Coordinator. Jay Robinson's name was mentioned, although he is not interested in assuming the position this season. No one present volunteered to become the League Coordinator.

President Sakazaki noted that perhaps a scheduling committee would be a better replacement. There were no volunteers for such a committee.

Please talk to your teams and see if there is anyone who wishes to assume the role of League Coordinator.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Note the second round robin schedule issue noted above.

Eric Sakazaki will see whether there are current SSUSA rulebooks available. Such rulebooks are supposed to be provided by SSUSA for each team, as one of the benefits of membership.

Team Reports

None.

UMPIRE CLINIC: JC Crouch

Scoring Line: Hawaii State Rules assume there is a scoring line near home plate, rather than (as on Kauai) a second home plate. If conditions are wet, do not insist on a baserunner's touching the baserunner's home plate, but improvise a line. Umpires should make it clear in the pre-game meeting whether touching down on or past the line (imaginary or not) or touching the second home plate will be required.

Runner on base, ball hit to outfield: The base umpire, who is closer, should make the “catch/no-catch” call. The plate umpire should recognize the situation and make the infield calls (tag up, etc.) until the base umpire can resume usual duties. Umpires should talk to each other.

Sweep Tag: The fielder does not have to be standing on the base, but has to be in close proximity.

Designated Team Representative: At the pre-game meeting, the umpires should ask who the designated team representative is for any disputes with the umpiring.

Batter-baserunner Who Touches First Base And Continues: If the baserunner makes an attempt to go to second, the player is liable to be tagged out.

Kapa’a Field’s Line In Front of Dugout: The Chief Umpire at the pre-game meeting should make clear how the umpires will treat the line: whether any crossing by a runner or fielder or by the ball is considered going out of the field of play. (The dugouts may be reconfigured soon to eliminate this issue.)

Adjournment

On motion duly made, seconded and passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The next Association meeting will be **March 1, 2023, 6:30 p.m.**, at the Lihue Public Library Conference Room, unless otherwise instructed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jed Somit,
Secretary