

`KAUAI SENIOR CITIZEN SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 4, 2022
Hanamaulu Pavilion

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. by President Eric Sakazaki. Roll was called. Absent: *Bushwackers, Hillsiders*. A quorum was declared

Approval of Agenda

The Agenda, distributed by Mike Curtis by email prior to the meeting, was approved by motion, second and vote.

Approval of Minutes of April 6, 2022

The Minutes from April 6, 2022, distributed by email prior to the meeting, were approved by motion, second and vote.

Treasurer's Report

The Association's ending bank balance as of April 30, 2022, is \$17,689.76: no changes.

Team Reports

No team reports.

League Coordinator's Report (Mike Curtis Was Off-Island)

Schedule

League Coordinator Mike Curtis distributed an updated schedule by email prior to the meeting. The schedule is also posted, as updated, at kauaiseniorsoftball.org.

Any changes, even if consented by both teams, must go through the League Coordinator. A change can often can be accommodated. Make-up games are particularly difficult to reschedule conveniently, but reschedules can happen if Mike approves.

Balls The 14" balls which were ordered will not come until the end of May. We have enough for about two more weeks. We may have to ask the home team to provide a ball if the ordered balls don't come soon; the teams will be reimbursed later.

Covid Protocols

All over, except notification of Covid cases. If a team member tests positive, this must be reported to the League Coordinator, with details on when the player was tested. If the player has been in contact or sustained proximity with other players

(player's or opposing team and other players at that field), they should be notified so all potentially affected players have an opportunity to be tested. A reschedule is possible if the knowledge comes sufficiently before a game in time to allow notification. It is the coach's call whether to play.

2022 Senior Softball State Tournament

State Rule: Only if a team is dissolved can the players be picked up for other teams. Eric will check with Oahu if this rule will be enforced and report at the next meeting.

President's Report

President Eric Sakazaki is already walking after his hip surgery.

State Tournament

Tuesday through Friday, August 2-5. Make your plans now. Can get reservations at \$129.

UMPIRE CLINIC: JC Crouch

- *Baserunners contacting defensive players.* Safety is the consideration. The runner has to avoid the fielder. If the fielder is on the base or in the baserunner's path, the baserunner must avoid the fielder, or the base runner is out. But, if there is no play at the base, the defensive player may not obstruct the baserunner's progress. The umpire can call "obstruction," and after the play ends, the baserunner can be awarded the base the umpire believes the baserunner would have made if there were no obstruction. A baserunner cannot intentionally crash into the defensive player. Many situations will not be black or white. This is one reason the base umpire has to be watching the infield play.
- *Overrunning Bases.* If a baserunner takes advantage of overrunning second or third base, even if the baserunner touches the base on the way through, the baserunner must return and touch the base (again) before proceeding to the next base.
- *Overthrown ball (out of play).* If the overthrow is the first play by an infielder, it is a "dead ball": the batter/baserunner and any other baserunner is awarded two bases from the position at the time the pitch was hit (so the batter/baserunner ends up at second base). If the overthrow comes later, the batter/baserunner and any other baserunners are awarded two bases from the position at the time of the errant throw (so a baserunner having passed first base gets third base).

- *Juggled Fly Ball Caught.* On a fly ball, the baserunner may leave the base and proceed to the next base on the first touch by a fielder, even if ball is juggled and not caught until later.

OLD BUSINESS

70's Division Rules

The proposed 70's Division Rules, previously submitted by John Patt at the last meeting, was ratified by the Association.

John Patt noted that there was a meeting on April 29th, which approved some additional changes, including a mission statement, and allowing a courtesy runner to run more than one time an inning.

NEW BUSINESS

Balls: The latest set of balls seems defective, with covers coming off after only one at-bat or so. If any team has better balls, use them for the games and the team will be reimbursed.

Censure Mike Curtis: No action taken.

Adjournment

On motion duly made, seconded and passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

The next Association meeting will be **June 1, 2022, 6:30 p.m., at Hanamaulu Pavilion, unless otherwise instructed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jed Somit,
Secretary