KAUAI SENIOR CITIZEN SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING September 4, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Mike Curtis. All teams were represented upon the roll call except *Kawaihau,* and *Kuku's Aces* A quorum was declared.

Approval of Agenda

The Agenda, distributed by email prior to the meeting, was approved.

Approval of Minutes of July 10, 2019

The Minutes of the meeting of July 10, 2019, distributed by email before the meeting, were approved as circulated.

Treasurer's Report

Stephen Fujii's Treasurer's Report for the 2019 season, distributed by email prior to the meeting, covering January 1, 2019, through August 31, 2019, showing checks written since the last Report to the League Champions (*Gents*: \$130.00; *Rookies*: \$80.00; *Rebels*: \$50; *Barteks*: \$40.00) and checks to cover the League Coordinator's expenses at the State Tournament (airfare \$320.00; car expenses \$176.08), with an Ending Balance of \$3,405.10, was approved as circulated.

League Coordinator Report: Pat Baniaga

2019 Kona State Tournament

If you came in First, Second or Third in your division, and did not receive prize money, contact Pat Baniaga.

New State Rules

Back to the Past: Teams may have players with playing age 55-59, but only one player under 60 may "be in the lineup" at any time. No limit on the number of under-60 players on the team.

<u>State Tournament Format:</u> Pool play on days 1 and 2; single elimination on day 3, meaning that to win the championship, you have to win 3 games on day 3 (remember this in 2021 when you make airline reservations). Adjustments may be necessary for the lower brackets.

League Schedule for 2020

Pat Baniaga distributed two schedule proposals by email prior to the meeting: one with games starting in mid-December with each team playing each other team twice; another with each team playing each other Kauai team once, then splitting into two brackets and playing only the teams within the team's bracket, which schedule starts early February and ends mid-July, with a week off at the end of the first round. Both schedules end July 11th to allow time for playoffs (?) and to prepare for the State Tournament on Kauai.

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Only three teams expressed interest in starting December 14th. Consequently, on motion duly made, seconded and passed, the League will go forward with a modified bracket schedule, with everyone playing each other team only in the first round.

Bracket second round choices were East /West, odd/even according to standing in 2019 or up to that point in 2020, or best teams in one bracket, remainder in other, or randomly distributed. Best record eight and bottom seven proposal was eliminated by lack of support. On motion duly made, seconded and passed, the brackets for the second round will be determined by standings after the first round and going odd/even to assign to brackets.

Play may start earlier than February First, leaving some open dates during the season for ease of scheduling rainouts.

State Tournament Kauai 2020 Monday 8/3/20 Coaches' Meeting. Opening Ceremonies at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday (8/4) in Hanepepe. Games 8/4-8/6, at Hanapepe, Kaumakani and Eleele fields. Entry fee is \$200/team. This year Kona had 67 teams; we have to assume at least 65 teams for 2020.

Pat met with County Parks and Recreation and has reserved the fields (six at Hanepepe, Eleele and Kaumakani). Convention Hall is reserved for the meeting. Hanepepe Recreation Center is reserved for the entire week as a place to rest.

Pat made a request for a \$5,000 grant from the County, in accordance with an approved motion from the League at the meeting.

Prior to the meeting, Pat distributed a spreadsheet of responsibilities which need to be fulfilled by the teams for the 2020 State Tournament on Kauai.

<u>Field Preparation</u>: Kauai County will take care of setting up and lining the fields, and providing some portable toilets. The League may have to rent a dumpster from Garden Island Disposal to hold the trash generated.

<u>Luau?</u> Pat believes probably it will need someone outside, since the League will probably be busy enough. We can seek someone who might want to do this, with entertainment, for the hope of profit.

<u>Food:</u> Cliff Lee, Sr., volunteered to handle the food booth, and feed the umpires and emergency people; some donation can be made to the League if sales allow.

<u>Balls</u>: Pat is already putting together a request for balls for the tournament. Several gross of balls will be necessary.

Booklets: Need about 1200. Will Jeff Kimoto want to do?

<u>Umpires</u>: Each Kauai team must provide 4 umpires. Get high school kids to help out? Person who coordinates high school teams could help out. Joe Bertucci will work on this responsibility. Umpires will have distinctive shirts.

<u>T-Shirts</u>: Can League get 10% and otherwise a profit possibility? Ricky and Pat and Dwight? Need T-shirts to sell and those for umpires.

<u>Communication</u>: most important part is to get each field to report scores.

<u>Registration:</u> Must coordinate with T-Shirts and Booklets (also, possibly luau) so that registration packets cover all.

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<u>Finance</u>: Stephen Fujii will prepare a budget for the tournament. Each team should also request donations/sponsors. A form will be provided.

<u>Security</u>: perhaps some team or players will volunteer to stay overnight in parks so some stuff can be left.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Election of Officers

All officers are willing to continue for the next two years. Officers to take office in December.

Elections by acclimation after nominations:

President	Michael Curtis
Vice President	J Robertson
League Coordinator	Pat Baniaga
Treasurer	Stephen Fujii
Secretary	Jed Somit
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Team Reports

This meeting was the last opportunity to enroll a new team in the League for

2020. No new teams.

No team reports.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposals for State Rule Changes None.

Playing Rules Discussion

<u>Baserunner movement</u>: once the pitched ball, not swung at, hits the ground, the ball is dead and any baserunner may come off the base without penalty.

<u>Pitcher leaves pitching position</u>: a pitcher may return to pitching after leaving the pitching position.

Adjournment

On motion duly made, seconded and passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:27

p.m.

The next Association meeting will be on **November 6,** 2019 , at 6:30 p.m., at the Lihue Recreation Center.

Respectfully submitted, Jed Somit, Secretary