

KAUAI SENIOR CITIZEN SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 5, 2021
Hanamaulu Pavilion

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by President Joe Bertucci. A quorum was present, all teams represented, as determined by roll call.

Approval of Agenda

The Agenda, distributed by email prior to the meeting, was approved, after changing the date of the next meeting to May 5, 2021.

Approval of Minutes of Meetings of April 7, 2021, and April 14, 2021

The Minutes of the meetings of April 7, 2021, and April 14, 2021, distributed by email before the meeting, were approved after motion, second, and vote.

Treasurer's Report

Stephen Fujii's Treasurer's Report, distributed before the meeting, showing all income and disbursements from January 1, 2021, through April 30, 2021, was approved upon motion and vote.

There were no transactions in the period since the last Treasurer's Report.

League Coordinator Report: Mike Curtis

League Schedule for 2021 - Second Half

The games scheduled for Kapa'a 5/8 have been changed to Hanamaulu.

Current Covid Tier 3 allows organized sports to continue, but the future is in doubt if case levels and infections rates remain high. No outfield parking will be available at Hanamaulu, and it is uncertain whether the school parking lot will be open.

Joe Bertucci suggests alleviating parking problems by having teams leave after games, as provided in the Covid protocols.

We are confirmed by Parks & Rec in our seven Saturday schedule, according to Wellington. The *Lihue A's* note they cannot use their field on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays, due to youth groups. Youth games are scheduled there on Saturday. Kapa'a field is also lined on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but practices go forward. Some teams complained that it seems Parks & Rec enforces the Covid protocols primarily against the Seniors, not across the board for all field users.

[See New Business for further action on Second Half Schedule.]

State Tournament 2020-21

At this time, the State Tournament is going forward. Six or seven Honolulu teams are interested, which would bring the total number of teams to about 50. Three fields at Hanapepe, plus Eleele and Kamakani are currently reserved. If we don't get approval for additional fields, we may have to limit the number of teams for the Tournament. County Covid concerns may also interfere.

May 26th is the final day for finalizing shirts and the brochure, according to Jeff Kimoto, although the shirt date may be moveable.

The *Islanders* will donate at least 10% of profit on shirt sales to the Association. Average shirt costs are about \$18/ea before freight, with extra charges for large sizes. There is perhaps \$7-8 profit per shirt, before deducting the cost of providing shirts without charge to umpires and staff.

Mike Curtis has someone looking into special rates on hotels. Big Island teams are noting that car rental rates on Kauai are astronomic, or unavailable. Mike noted that buses won't be available to transport teams, because school starts the week before the tournament. Hotel rooms are also expensive.

Each Kauai team will play at one field during the tournament (by division). Each team should find a scorekeeper (to be paid \$20) and a field manager. For Kauai teams, their existing Kauai roster will be the State Tournament roster.

League President Report and Old Business: Joe Bertucci

Covid 19 Regulations

Remember: No post-game pot lucks or get-togethers. No comingling. Keep social distancing and mask-wearing in dugouts and bleachers.

Obeying the Covid 19 playing rules is a condition for continued play! Any players remaining after the game, or there pre-game, must wear masks and social distance. Any positive Covid-19 tests for league members must be reported to Joe Bertucci.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion on Treatment of Second Half Schedule Games

Under the current arrangement, the first half standings determine Kauai Senior league standings for the season, and also team rankings for State Tournament division placement. Some coaches expressed concerns that the second does not count for any purpose.

A motion was made that Kauai Senior League Standings be determined by rankings (won/loss records and established tie brakers) at the end of the second half, representing the entire season, that is, counting all games. The current second half schedule and two divisions would be maintained.

The motion was seconded and there was discussion. It was clarified that the top eight teams (second season Division I) would remain the top eight for Kauai Senior League and the State Tournament, while the bottom seven (second season Division II) would be the bottom seven. That is, the second half games would only make changes within the divisions. In the disucssion, some people noted that players have made plans based upon the current arrangement. Other coaches wanted the second season to have meaning.

Upon a paper vote: Motion passed and was adopted. Both rounds will count for win-loss records and standings, and for State Tournament, as provided above.

Umpire Talk - JC Crouch
No issues raised.

Team Reports
None.

Adjournment

On motion duly made, seconded and passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

The next Association meeting will be **June 2, 2021, 6:30 p.m., at Hanamaulu Pavilion, unless otherwise instructed.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jed Somit, Secretary