

KAUAI SENIOR CITIZEN SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION
70s Division
COACHES MEETING
September 4, 2024
War Memorial Convention Hall

Coaches Present: Wayne Hashimoto (*Na Noa Kupuna*); John Patt (*Koloa Cane Cutters*); Clifford Lee, Sr., Alan Hashimoto (*Ahukini Wharf Rats*); Shapa Ramos (*‘Elemakuli*); Lynn Pizzicola (*Tsunami*)

70s Division Director Dom Lutao, League President JC Crouch, and League Secretary Jed Somit were also present.

70s Division Director Dom Lutao presided and called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. A quorum was declared.

Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of Minutes of July 3, 2024

The Minutes of the meeting of July 3, 2024, distributed by email prior to the meeting, were adopted after motion, second and vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2025 Season:

JC said P&R was originally against the 70s division’s using Puhi Field, but now it is approved for 70s play. “Permit approved” for Thursday play.

Puhi Field can use more work. Tom Christie and Mark Kuehler have done great work with the holes, but there are still pukas to be filled and other work. 65’ pins are in, but those at 2nd and 3rd must be raised. JC says Kurt is the main guy they work with, so schedule the work party with him (best: first thing in the morning).

Start of Play: 2/6/25 (9:30 am and 11:00 a.m.)

Game Day: Thursday

Field: Puhi Ball Park

Clifford Lee, Sr. suggested that Hanamaulu Field would be better, as it has storage for bases, home plate, and scoreboards.

Victor Lawson, the permanent umpire, had said he is willing to take responsibility for making sure the AED, scoreboard and home plate (strike mat) are brought to (and taken from) every game. A motion was made to make Victor Lawson responsible, with Winkie as a backup, to bring the items to the games. Seconded. Passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Update on Proposed 2025 70s Division State Tournament:

John Patt: Requested permission to contact the other islands (esp. Oahu and

Maui, who have made steps towards 70s divisions) to gauge their interest in a State Tournament.

John had distributed prior to the meeting a format for the proposed 70s Tournament. It would be a one day tournament, on Friday, after the end of the regular State Tournament. 8 teams; single elimination, but a loser's round, so all teams are guaranteed two games, with three games for the teams in the championship/ consolation games. Tournament to end by early afternoon, so players can fly out Friday night. Games might start as early as 8:00 a.m.

John thinks that four fields will be necessary. Koloa has two fields, and is the only locale with two fields approved for 65' play. Kaumakani and Puhi have only one field. Using fields at different locations will require travel between the fields.

A suggestion was made to play at one locale, with two fields, but keep the games going quickly and schedule 1-1/2 hours per game. Another suggestion was to use 14' balls.

Dom delegated to John Patt authority to contact other counties/teams to gauge interest. Further discussion was otherwise tabled until the Board meeting in October.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

Upon motion, second and vote, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be **WEDNESDAY, October 2, 2024, at 5:45 p.m.**; the location will be included in the Notice of Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jed Somit
Secretary