

A Commissioner's Meeting of the Fort Smith Church League was held on Monday, October 9, 2006 at Christ the King Church. (An attendee roster is available upon request)

The meeting was called to order by Eddie Norman. Darrel Stoval offered opening prayer.

March minutes approved as amended by Pat Mickle and seconded by Eddie Norman. Approved 11-0

NEW BUSINESS

Don Eveld wanted to set the meeting schedule, moving March meeting to the 5th of the March (Team Declaration meeting) Coaches meeting set to March 8, 12, and 13

Treasures Report. (See attached)

Talked about painting poles, and laying the pad only for Fall Baseball batting cages at a cost of \$3400 for the pad only.

Eddie Norman described the events leading to the terrace walls on Hernreich. Westark Sod donated the sod. Thanks to Ronny Jay.

Eddie Norman discussed a possible plaque to Mr. Ibison.

Nomination of New Officers:

President: Don Eveld

1st Vice President: Eddie Norman

2nd Vice President: John Mobley

Secretary: Jason Brasher

Treasure: Pat Mickle

Bobby Aldrich discussed that the Lucas Jackson Tournament will be back on the 1st weekend in 2007 instead of the 2nd like 2006.

More discussion of the cost of items and why the league is losing money, concession is losing money, and sales of Ices are down. Dale Seiter talked about getting coolers and walking around with bottled drinks.

Eddie Norman asked about getting a roll for what churches attended meetings and entered into minutes.

Bobby Aldrich asked that the Commissioners be listed and letters be issued.

Pat Mickle talked about getting Pastors or Assistant Pastors to come to meetings or get who they want to be Commissioners.

Doug Schartz made a motion to send letters to churches by the Vice President to find out who runs the baseball program of each participating church. Passed 6-2

Bobby Aldrich proposed a rule change and was assisted with this rule proposal by Rick Deramus. As follows:

ARTICLE VII

Financial Policy

Proposed Rule Change

D. Each church will pay an entry fee, to the CHURCH LEAGUE, for each of the teams that it has participating in the league. The fee for each team entered will be One hundred dollars (\$100). In addition, each church will pay a fee of eighty dollars (\$80) to fund the Senior Babe Ruth program. The total entry fee for each church will be based on the number of teams entered in all leagues, plus the eighty dollars (\$80) Senior Babe Ruth fee. There

shall be no refunds or allowances made for teams which are canceled after said meeting. All team entry fees shall be paid to the commission treasurer by April 12 each year. **Failure to pay all fees and assessments by April 15th will result in the Church's teams not being scheduled and as such will not be allowed to participate for the affected season.**

- E. 1. Effective January 1, 2006, Churches must pay a \$25.00 per player fee for all leagues to meet the association's funding needs. The fees are payable to the Fort Smith Church Baseball League in one check per team in each league according to the player totals on the official team rosters. The fees are due by **April 15th** each year and shall accompany the official team roster. Players added to the roster after April 15th will be assessed player fees to be collected by the league president. **Failure to pay fees and turn in completed; official rosters by April 15th will result in the non-complying team not being scheduled and as such will not be allowed to participate for the affected season.**
2. Concession Duty: A significant portion of the league income is derived from concession sales. Every team shall participate in the concession stand by paying a fee of \$125.00, which must be made prior to your team's first regular season scheduled game. **Failure to pay the concession fee by the first regular season game will result in forfeiture of each game until paid and the non-complying team will not be allowed to play until the fee is paid.** This fee covers all workers for all the concession stand operations.

Seconded by Eddie Norman

Darrell Stoval proposed a rule change:

ARTICLE X

I., PONY LEAGUE RULES

CURRENTLY:

17. Pony League strike zone will be from the shoulder to mid calf.

PROPOSED CHANGE:

17. Pony League strike zone will be from the shoulder to the knee.

ADDITION TO ARTICLE X:

A. GENERAL RULES AND POLICIES

25. For all age groups, if any coach, player, or spectator is noticed by an umpire or league official to be representing FSCL in an unbecoming manner that doesn't reflect favorably on the organization, FSCL will notify the pastor or priest for that church to let them know that there has been a problem and if it is not taken care of, the next incident will result in a one game suspension for that coach, player or spectator.

26. For all age groups thru Midget, the head coach (or a designated head coach) is the ONLY coach that can discuss and/or question a call during a game with an umpire or league official. For the Pony and Midget Leagues, there will be ZERO TOLERANCE for questioning umpires on balls and strikes.

Eddie Norman seconds as amended.

Mark Haywood from Butterfield Assembly of God in Van Buren wants to get information on joining the league. Mark to get granules to kill ants that were in the sod

Move to adjourn meeting made by Pat Mickle and seconded by Eddie Norman.

Signature:

Approved: (date)

Or Corrected: (date)