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## March 2011 Commissioner's Meeting

A Commissioner's meeting of the Fort Smith Church Baseball League was held on Monday, March 14 2011 at Christ the King Church.

Meeting was called to order at 5:34 PM by Don Eveld. Doug Faries led opening prayer.

February meeting minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

### Treasurer's Report

Operating fund had a balance of \$1,025.00 as of February 28, 2011.

### Presidents' Report

#### Old Business

The new bat standards, in accordance with Babe Ruth Rules, was discussed. Composite barrel bats will be illegal in FSCL in 2012. FSCL recommends these bats not be used this year.

Pat Mickle introduced several rule changes and a deletion that will remove references to Super Series, and to clean up some other language in the 2010 rules. These rules proposals follow the attendance roster at the end of these minutes. The proposal was given a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donald Schwartz

### **Article X, A. GENERAL RULES & POLICIES:**

#### Existing:

22. If a player has played on an AAA/American or Major/National Division traveling team during the season they will be ineligible to participate in the post season Super Series State Tournaments. The player may participate in FSCBL league tournaments. This rule is mandated by the Super Series National Office to discourage these players from dominating league play. An "A/Minor" division player may participate on an "AA/American" division team for weekend tournaments but cannot play for both teams on the same weekend.

#### Proposed:

22. If a player has played on an AAA/American or Major/National Division traveling team during the season, the player may participate in FSCBL league tournaments. An "A/Minor" division player may participate on an "AA/American" division team for weekend tournaments but cannot play for both teams on the same weekend.

#### Existing:

23. All rules associated with Super Series league questions will be interpreted by the FSCBL President, or appointed FSCBL representative, and SUPER SERIES Regional Director. All rulings are final and not disputable.

Proposed:

23. DELETE IN ITS ENTIRETY.

#### **Article X, C. GENERAL PLAYING RULES:**

Existing:

1. **The official baseball rules of the National Baseball Congress shall apply except where CHURCH LEAGUE rules or the Babe Ruth International Rules specifically provide otherwise.**

Proposed:

1. **The official baseball rules of the National Baseball Congress shall apply except where CHURCH LEAGUE rules, or USSSA rules in the case of Midget League, or the Babe Ruth International Rules specifically provide otherwise.**

#### Article X, G. PEE-WEE & JR. PEE-WEE LEAGUE (TEE BALL):

Existing:

1. Sanction with Super Series “Minor” Division for both age groups in T-Ball Division. Players who are listed on AAA/Major or American/National division Competitive League rosters are not eligible to participate in post season play.

Proposed:

1. Players who are listed on AAA/Major or American/National division Competitive League rosters are not eligible to participate in post season play.

#### **Article X, H. SUPER PEE WEE & BAMBINO LEAGUE RULES:**

Existing:

1. Sanction with Super Series “Minor” Division for both age groups in Pitching Machine Division. Players who are listed on AAA/Major or American/National division Competitive League rosters are not eligible to participate in post season play.

Proposed:

1. **Players who are listed on AAA/Major or American/National division Competitive League rosters are not eligible to participate in post season play.**

#### Article X, I. PONY LEAGUE RULES:

Existing:

1. Sanction with Super Series “Minor” Division for both age groups in Pony Division. Players who are listed on AAA/Major or American/National division Competitive League rosters are not eligible to

participate in post season play.

Proposed:

1. Players who are listed on AAA/Major or American/National division Competitive League rosters are not eligible to participate in post season play.

**Article X, J. MIDGET LEAGUE RULES:**

Existing:

1. The CHURCH LEAGUE Midget League playing rules and infield size will conform to the Super Series Rules of Baseball except where FSCBL rules provide otherwise in Article I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X A-F and K.
2. The FSCBL infield dimensions will conform to Super Series Rules. The bases will be seventy (70) feet apart and the pitchers rubber shall be forty-eight (48) feet from home plate. If Cal Ripken baseball makes the change to 50' the pitching distance shall be 50' from home base.

Proposed:

1. The CHURCH LEAGUE Midget League playing rules and infield size will conform to the USSSA Rules of Baseball except where FSCBL rules provide otherwise in Article I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X A-F and K.
2. The FSCBL infield dimensions will conform to USSSA Rules. The bases will be seventy (70) feet apart and the pitchers rubber shall be forty-eight (48) feet from home plate. If Cal Ripken baseball makes the change to 50' the pitching distance shall be 50' from home base.

**ALL PROPOSALS PASSED**

**New Business**

No new business presented at the March 2011 meeting

Team declaration was held, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm.

