

Scrap Iron Board Meeting Minutes

November 7, 2020

The board meeting was conducted via Zoom, with President John Parisi as its host. It started at 9:00 AM and ended at 11:03 AM.)

The following executive board members were present:

John Parisi - President

Jim Casswell - Treasurer

J C Moore - Secretary

Greg Broeckelman - At Large

Present and representing their 2020 teams were the following:

50 AAA Alliance - William Connor

50 AAA Mile High Hitmen - Mark Gallegos

55 AAA Alliance - John Karagiannes

55 AAA Mile High – Mark Pritchett

55 M Rocky Mountain Thunder - David Fortier

60 Major Rocky Mountain Thunder – Mark Haupt

60 AAA Heavy Metal - Bruce Brothis

60 AAA Xplosion - Dan Silvey

65 High Octane – Dave Adams

65 AAA Classics - Charles Graham

65 AAA Diamonds – John Parisi

70 AAA Diamonds - Bart Prieve

70 AAA 5280 – Terry Goodrich

80 M Grey Berets - Fred Mattos

Also present were:

Jim Riley

Rob Minner

Andy Shapiro

Scott Cameron

World Masters Championships Results.

- 17 of 18 teams competed with six teams placing fourth or better
- Rocky Mountain Thunder 55 in a field of 25 Major teams won and are World Champions. They will move up to Majors + for 2021.
- Mile High Hitmen 50 AAA took second in a field of 47 and will move up to Majors for 2021.
- Heavy Metal 60 AAA took third took in a field of 27 and will move up to Majors for 2021.
- Rocky Mountain Thunder 60 took third in a field of 20 Major teams.
- 5280 70 AAA took third in a field of 11.
- Diamonds 65 AA took third in a field of 8.

Team and Player Bylaws/Policies Review/Updates There are no updates or revisions. Any suggested revisions or additions should be sent to John Parisi for further discussions with the Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

Banquet Update. Bruce Brothis suggested that the banquet possibly be held outside later than our traditional day being the fourth Saturday of January. President John Parisi said that we should consider postponing the banquet and holding off determining a future date. Treasury Jim Casswell said some coaches might want to give awards to their players even though this year was a short season, and that they would want a banquet where they could present them. Greg Broeckelman suggested that award recognitions be added to next year's banquet. No dates or locations were set for a 2021 banquet at this time due to the current Covid19 pandemic.

Executive and Hall of Fame committee members for 2021. Mark Haupt has resigned from the Executive Committee at Large Member and the Hall of Fame (HOF) Committee. Larry Alma resigned from the HOF Committee. Jim Riley and Dan Silvey were nominated for the Executive Committee at Large position. After voting, Dan Silvey was elected to fulfill the Executive Committee at Large Member position. Both positions were filled for the HOF Committee. Andy Shapiro and John Karagiannes were nominated and approved by the Board of Directors to be on the HOF Committee.

New and discontinued teams for 2021. Three new teams were approved for 2021: 65AAA Mile High Sports managed by Gary Nations (Andy Shapiro represented the team), 60AAA Peak Softball/Alliance/Scrap Iron managed by Charles Graham, and 75 AAA Legends, managed by Don Carpenter (Greg Broeckelman represented the team). Larry Alma's 75AAA Reds team was disbanded. 50 AAA Mile High Hitmen will have a name changed to Scrap Iron Tenacity Major team beginning the 2021 season. There will be a total of 20 teams for 2021.

50 Major Elite – Mike Christopher
50 AAA Alliance - William Connor
50 Major Tenacity - Mark Gallegos (team name change)
55 AAA Alliance - John Karagiannes
55 AAA Mile High – Mark Pritchett
55 Major + Rocky Mountain Thunder - David Fortier
60 Major Rocky Mountain Thunder – Mark Haupt
60 Major Heavy Metal - Bruce Brothis
60 AAA Xplosion - Dan Silvey
60 AAA Peak Softball/Alliance/Scrap Iron – Charles Graham
60 AA Rockies – Joe Hernandez
65 Major High Octane – Dave Adams
65 AAA Classics - Charles Graham
65 AA Diamonds – Art Graebe
65 AAA Mile High Sports – Gary Nation
70 AAA Diamonds - Bart Prieve
70 AAA 5280 – Terry Goodrich
70 AAA Patriots – Carl Bennett
75 AAA Legends – Don Carpenter
80 Major Grey Berets - Fred Mattos

Financial Report. Treasurer Jim Casswell produced three pages of reports, titled Receipts less Disbursements, Balance Sheet, and Draft Budget for 2021; here are the highlights:

1. Income from the grocery store fund raising program was down again with respect to the previous year, from \$3096 in 2019 to \$2263 for this year. It was felt that a lot of this had to do with the elimination of the separate Kroger's loyalty card last April and the change in method to allocate charity money from Kroger.
2. Fees paid by Scrap Iron 75 Reds were discussed since they paid the player dues but never played in a tournament in 2020. They registered for a tournament and SSUSA reimbursed Scrap Iron for the \$600 tournament fees. No player reimbursement was agreed upon. Most of the players have joined a new 75 team for 2021, Scrap Iron 75 Legends. The other players have decided to retire from tournament play.
3. There was a motion to reimburse Scrap Iron 75 Legends \$600 as a one-time credit for the entry fee for the Winter Worlds in Phoenix in November. Since many of the players on the team were from the 2020 Scrap Iron Reds, the \$600 credited by SSUSA for tournament fee registration would be applied to the Winter Nationals in Phoenix for 2020. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Bart Prieve made a motion, seconded by Terry Goodrich, that the amount of dues paid by scrap iron players be determined by their actual age instead of the age of the team they are playing on. This motion particularly pertained to players who are 74 years old and playing on a 75's team, or both a 70's and 75's team. After it passed, President John Parisi said he would produce an appropriate revision to the current policies and send it to the board for approval.
5. After considerable discussion, which included examination of the draft budget for 2021, Greg Broeckelman made a motion, seconded by Dan Silvey, that the dues for next year be \$150 for all players 74 and younger, and \$100 for all players 75 and older. This motion passed 8-4.
6. Treasurer Jim Casswell said that with the passing of the motion regarding the dues for next year and the fact that there will be 20 teams, he will be able to prepare a budget which will determine the amount to be allocated to the teams, and available for the next board meeting.
7. There was considerable discussion about budget expenses related to the situation where managers have to use funds available in December of any given year to pay the entry fees for tournaments which are held in January and February of the following year. This situation is created because Scrap Iron handles all their finances by the calendar year versus SSUSA starting their year from just after the World Masters Championships end in Las Vegas in September or October. Treasurer Jim Casswell said that managers simply need to be aware of this situation and figure out how to handle their allocations accordingly.

Awards. The attending committees discussed HOF awards. Terry Goodrich, HOF Chairman agreed to begin the process of soliciting nominations for 2020 Hall of Fame candidates. He will begin by requesting nominations through the Scrap Iron newsletter. Award winners will be announced with the induction ceremony to occur at the next Scrap Iron Banquet.

Uniform Control and Scrap Iron Merchandising. Larry Alma is retiring from Scrap Iron. No one on the call volunteered to take over the role of Uniform Control and Merchandising for Scrap Iron. John Parisi asked to coaches to ask their players if they would be interested in fulfilling this role. Art Graebe had said before this meeting that he would help train and assist the individual interested taking this important role.

Fund Raising for 2021. If the Rocky Mountain Championship tournament happens the Rocky Mountain Skills Contest, a Scrap Iron fundraiser will be held again, coordinated by Bruce Brothis. desires to hold it again because it has been a very good fundraiser. Dan Silvey said that he will pick a date for the Wood Bat tournament, considering all out-of-state tournaments when he sets the date. President John Parisi said that he was open to suggestions which would create charitable contributions; with regard to that, Terry Goodrich said that there were wives involved with shirts and clothing with the Scrap Iron logo on them.

Email Blast Editor/Web Master/Website Updates. President John Parisi said that our current webmaster, Barry Jark, is moving to Florida and ending his services as Scrap Iron's webmaster. Effective December 1, Mark Gembrowski will now be managing Scrap Iron's website.

Team Ratings/Player Rating Process. John Parisi asked what Scrap Iron will be doing to use this process in the future. Terry Goodrich, who handles this program, said that SSUSA is "okay" with it, and that it is used on a case-by-case player basis. Terry said that Mike Massong and Mark Haupt have previously been involved with this program.

Open discussion. The only open discussion was related to the use of a license for whoever might host future Zoom meetings, as this license costs \$150 per year.

Next meeting date. The location of the winter board meeting will be at the offices of Wendy's restaurants at 6850 W. 52nd Ave., Suite 200, in Arvada on February 20, 2021

Submitted by: J. C." Moore, Secretary and John Parisi, President

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