

BEANTOWN SOFTBALL LEAGUE  
Executive Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
3/12/81

Present: Comm. Santilli, Treas. Staples and Reps. from 1270, Herbies  
Elbow Room, Buddies and Paradise

1. Minutes of the 2/17/81 meeting read and accepted.
2. Treasurer's Report - \$398.00 in checking account - accepted
3. The 2nd Edition of the News Letter was passed out for distribution.
4. The benefit at Rustlers was mentioned - scheduled for March 16  
at 9:30 PM
5. Barry Ford was nominated as the Vice Commissioner of the League.

Motion - Barry Ford is the Vice Commissioner of the Beantown  
Softball League for the remainder of the 1981 Season.

Yes - 5      No - 0      Abstain - 1

6. Vic announced that all the raffle prizes from the Elbow Room's  
League benefit have been passed out.
7. Joe Leo presented information on the line of sporting goods which  
he has available.
8. It was noted that as of now we have no takers for the official  
scorer job. We will continue to look.
9. It was noted that sponsors need to be aware that the \$250.00  
sponsor fee is due by the April 2nd meeting.
10. There is no further word on the field permits. Vic is continuing  
to keep in touch with the Park Department. The hang up continues  
to be a lack of a decision on how much the City will be charging  
for field permits and lights.
11. The idea of advertising for prospective players in papers other  
than the " bar papers " was mentioned.
12. The upcoming NAGA meeting was discussed. Gary Staples and Vic  
Santilli will be sent as our League representatives. Gary will  
be there for the duration of the meetings ( Thurs. through Sun. ),  
Vic will be going up Friday night.
13. There was discussion about sending a letter of support to the  
Toronto gay community concerning the recent serious problems  
between the community and the police/government. Seth Hyde will  
present a draft letter at the next meeting.
14. Rule books will be distributed at the next meeting. We will have  
a rules decision meeting about two weeks after the next Executive  
Committee meeting.

15. Vic outlined projected costs of the League based on the number of teams. Six, seven and eight team operations were discussed. It is apparent that if we go to an eight team league we will have to break it into two divisions ( probably evenly matched ) with teams playing other teams in their division ~~three~~ times and teams outside their division twice.
16. A suggestion was voiced that Phil ( formerly of the 1270 team ) be asked to throw out the first ball of the season.
17. Vic presented some receipts for which he needed reimbursement. They included phone calls to Toronto, costs of printing the news letter ( Copy Cop )

Motion - To reimburse Vic Santilli \$49.49 for out of pocket expenses including phone bills and printing of the League newsletters.

Yes 6 -            No - 0            Abstain - 0    CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

18. Next Executive Committee Meeting - Thursday, April 2 at 7:30 PM at Vic's office
19. Meeting Adjourned

( Note: in the absence of the Secretary, minutes for this meeting were taken by Kevin Docherty, 1270 Team Rep. )

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Meeting Minutes for  
April 2, 1981

In Attendance - Comm. Santilli, Dep. Comm. Ford, Treas. Staples, Sec. MacKay, Reps. from Herbies, Isaiahs, Buddies, Paradise - A team member from Chaps and guests from Randolph Country Club and Prelude

1. Minutes of the 3/12/81 Meeting read and accepted
2. Treasurer reported \$458 raised from the Elbow Room benefit, 644 raised from the Rustlers benefit. \$400 paid by Isaiahs for league entry fee and partial payment of individual member fees ( which are not due until May/June ). Treasurer also noted disbursement for stationery, air fare to Toronto NAGAAA conference. Current checking balance \$1228.82.

1270, Paradise and Chaps presented their \$250 League entry fee checks to be deposited. Treasurer's report was accepted.

3. Bill MacKay requested reimbursement for the cost of the League mailbox ( 1 yr ) and a rubber address stamp for League business. The Committee voted to reimburse the Secretary for \$37.98 ( PO Box \$28.00, Rubber Stamp \$9.98 )
4. UPCOMING BENEFITS - Vic announced that the next two League benefits will be at Buddies ( Wed. April 8 ) and Paradise ( Tues., April 28 ). Seth Hyde explained how the Buddies benefit will work. \$2 admission will be charged at the door with \$1 going to the League. A free drink will be given with each admission ( the cost of the drink being absorbed by Buddies ). There will also be raffles,  
elbow \*\* ~~authenonesandfthhendwinkadhelogaabBombedchkeBuddies~~

5. RULES - Vic passed out the rule books to team reps. and officers. There will be a meeting on Thursday, April 16 at 7:30 to set the rules for this year.

MOTION - Seth Hyde

2nd - Vic Santilli

The rules committee will be composed of the four League officers and the managers of the teams.

Yes - 6

No - 1

Abstain - 0

MOTION CARRIED

6. MANAGERS - It was noted that of this date the Team Managers are as follows:

Isaiahs - Dan Sullivan  
Herbies - Jim Collarouso  
Buddies - Seth Hyde  
Paradise - Marc Cullen  
1270 - Kevin Docherty

Chaps - Not known  
Elbow Room - Not known

7. FIELD PERMITS - Vic reported on his latest conversation with the Park Dept.- Permits still have not been issued. It looks like the fees charged will be as follows - A \$50 filing fee for permits. \$10 per game for field maintenance. \$25 per hour for lights.

There was a good deal of discussion of the fees, of the possibility of playing no games under the lights ( ie. just one game Wed. nights ) etc. - The consensus was that we need to play two Wednesday night games and that we'll just have to raise the necessary money to pay for Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays.

\*\* This line reads " auctions and the now traditional Homer cake. "

Vic also reported that the Park Dept. told him our request for permits was the 11th. in line in the City and the 1st. in line for Clemente Field.

8. PRACTICE TIMES - Seth Hyde raised the issue of dividing up practice times on Clemente Field. It was noted that we do not yet have field permits and thus have no more right than anyone else to use the field.

MOTION - Seth Hyde

2nd - Gary Staples

That we divide up practice times on Clemente Field for Saturdays and Sundays from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM. With the understanding that we have no guarantee that we can use the field.

Yes - 1      No - 3      Abstain - 3      MOTION DEFEATED

MOTION - Bill MacKay

2nd - Barry Ford

That we divide up the Clemente Field times for practice on Saturday and Sunday from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM, those times to coincide with the permit times we have requested.

Yes - 6      No - 0      Abstain - 1      MOTION CARRIED

A drawing was held for practice times for the next two weekends ( 4/4 - 4/5 and 4/11 - 4/12 ). The results are as follows:

Saturdays, 2:00 to 3:20 - 1270

Sundays, 2:00 to 4:00 - Herbies

Saturdays, 3:20 to 4:40 - Buddies

Sundays, 4:00 to 6:00 - Paradise

Saturdays, 4:40 on - Chaps

Note: Isaiahs will be practicing on their own field for the time being.

9. NAGA MEETING - Gary and Vic reported the following relative to the Toronto NAGA meeting:
- a) NAGA has changed its name to NAGAAA ( North American Gay Amateur Athletic Assoc. )
  - b) Atlanta's league was admitted into NAGAAA
  - c) We must send the organization a map of our area and our constitution
  - d) It was voted to allow us to add Worcester to our area. It was also noted that should Worcester decide, at a later time, to join with Springfield in a Western Mass. league, that will be allowed, provided our league agrees to it.
  - e) NAGAAA has a problem with verifying last year's payments from the leagues, and is asking us for documentation that we paid
  - f) League rosters and playoff schedules are supposed to be to NAGAAA by June 1. There is, however, a one month grace period.
  - g) There will be no allowance for "injured reserve players" in this year's world series. We can send a team of no more than 18 players. With our 15 man roster, we will thus be allowed to add only three players from other teams.
  - h) Adds for the world series program were discussed. Consensus of our Committee is that we should buy an add.
  - i) Identification ( W picture ) must be presented by all players in world series. There apparently were some problems last year.
  - j) NAGAAA dues this year are \$325
  - k) No player can be on rosters of teams in more than one NAGAAA associated league

10. NEW TEAMS - Reps from Randolph Country Club and Prelude presented requests to enter teams in the League. There was much discussion and questioning around how well the teams were organized, their finances, their commitment etc.

MOTION - Desi ( from Isaiahhs )                      2nd - Gary Staples

That, upon payment of the League entry fee, Randolph Country club's team be added to the 1981 Beantown Softball League.

YES - 6              No - 0              Abstain - 1              MOTION CARRIED

More discussion followed about Prelude's financial situation ( They are trying to raise money for the League entry fee ) and about the fact that several of last year's teams have yet to pay their League entry fee ( Sponsor fee ) which was due on April 1.

MOTION - Gary Staples                                      2nd - Barry Ford

Any team that has not paid its \$250 League entry fee by April 9 will not be allowed to participate in the 1981 season of the Beantown Softball League.

Yes - 5              No - 0              Abstain - 1              MOTION CARRIED

MOTION - Gary Staples                                      2nd - Vic Santilli

Discussion of Prelude's entry into the League is tabled to April 9.

Yes - 5              No - 0              Abstain - 1              MOTION CARRIED

11. MILWAUKEE TOURNEY - Vic mentioned the Wreck Room Classic. Entry deadline is May 1. A number of opinions were expressed. The consensus seems to be that it would be better for one team to go than for us to try to put together an all-star team. Any team that goes, does so at its own expense. No conclusion was reached as to which team will go.
12. LETTER OF COMPLAINT - The Secretary read a letter addressed to the Commissioner which stated a former League member's displeasure about our adoption of the 80/20 rule and mentioned how the straight ball players in the League allegedly took away places of gays who would like to be playing. There was considerable ( and somewhat heated discussion ) of the points raised and the appropriateness of reading the letter. The arguement was a draw.
13. UPCOMING MEETINGS - Next Executive Committee Meeting; Thursday, April 9  
Rules Committee Meeting, April 16  
Both 7:30 ( Sharp! ) at Vic's Office
14. MEETING ADJOURNED