

Evergreen Fastpitch Officials Association

General Membership meeting

March 10, 2019

Attending:

Darrin Leggett(P)

Nikki Meler (VP)

Scott Webb (Treasurer)

Art Corral(Trainer)

David Williams (Sec)

Chuck Perine (As Sec)

Meeting called to order 6:45 pm

Motion to accept minutes from March 3, 2019

Motion accepted

Officers report:

Darrin (P) -Withdraw his name from the WOA state candidate list. It is his wish to open up
The tournament to newer officials who haven't been to state yet.

Nikki (VP)- Nothing to report

Scott (T) -The last school has paid their Fall Ball invoice. We can now close the 2018 books.

Art (Trainer) - Umpire evaluations start tomorrow. The evaluation team for 2019 is Art, Scott, Michael Hoffman, and Dennis Schodt. Mike Bushkul has withdrawn from the team because of work commitments. Art will do 90% of the WOA state candidates and Scott 10%. Dennis will do the 0 - 3 and The 4 and up umpires will be done as time allows. Free evaluations if requested by an umpire.

The state umpires will start at a 6, satisfactory- good umpire. They will be evaluated on mechanics, rule interpretation, and game management, A score of 10 is perfect. A 2 is poor. It's up to you to go up or down

David (S) -Thanks to George Floyd for his management of the gear exchange at our meetings and Jamboree. You can also post gear for sale on our website. Make sure you update your phone, Email, and all other information on the Arbiter.

Chuck (AS) - Week 2 scheduling will go out tomorrow. We have 32 certified umpires. We have 6 or 7 More who need to be certified. Check the website for Standard Operating Procedures- SOP'S. These will supersede all other rules and the home teams supersede the visitors when teams from different levels play. 1A/2A/3A/ and 4A all have the 10 runs after 5 innings mercy rule. 1A and 2A also have the 15 after 2 ½ or 3 inning mercy rule.

No additions to the lineups are excepted. 2A sub varsity enforce the 5 runs per inning. 1 A sub varsity allows free substitution. At ;lower levels let coaches make agreements.

The EP - Extra Player is for sub varsity only. They will appear in the 10 spot. The flex is now in the 11 Spot. Rule 3-3-7.

Pitching Rule- The pitch begins when the hands separate. Once separated they must go forward and not back.

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1. Pitcher simulating taking a sign.
2. Proper technique when sliding
3. Head Coach listed on lineup card
4. Illegal Pitch Penalty

Old Business

Update VGSA Contract

Waiting for signatures

Update Jamboree

We had 29 teams play at the 2019 Jamboree under clear and cold skies. There were no bus parking problems and VGSA is very happy. They made over \$2,000 on its concession stand. (\$1,650 after expenses for food, maintenance, and field crew.) We had 15 mentors present and 15 people who worked a full game schedules.

VGSA Academy

TBD March 22 or 23

Committees

Audit- Nikki and Michael Hoffman

Awards- David and Roy Jensen

Appeals- Art will oversee Mike Larson, George Floyd, and Roy Jensen

Scholarship- Scott, George Floyd, Joe Byrne

Elections- Nikki, Tim Shirkey, and Jason Blacker

Certified Officials

We have 32 certified officials and 6 or 7 who need to get certified. 40 is the ideal number.

Communicate with your Partner

The season starts tomorrow. Get your name, email, and phone number corrections into arbiter.

Call the school after 2 pm. In the event of a rainout Chuck will call or text you. He may even transfer

You to a different game.

Facebook update

Send your pictures from the Jamboree or 2019 season to Jason Blacker for addition to the page. Also post your event on the page, this will increase our traffic and help with the recruitment of umpires.

Ridgefield JV and Vancouver Schools sharing Fort's turf field

Check your game sites. The Ridgefield JV team is using the RORC #4 across the street from the high School. The varsity will move to the RORC if the schools field is wet.

Bay and other Vancouver school District teams will play games on fort's turf field.

King's Way will play their home games on field #4 at VGSA.

Equipment Exchange

George Floyd has run our equipment Exchange before our meetings and at the Jamboree. Contact him if you have any equipment to exchange. You can also post equipment for sale on the website.

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TBD March 22 or 23

Good of the Order

We have received our first scholarship applicant. Please announce the \$1,000 scholarship at your plate conference or handout a card with the website on it. Please update your contact information on the Arbiter and include a current picture. It's very helpful to your partner.

Chris Prothero a new umpire said he received very positive and helpful advice at the Jamboree and wants to thank everyone who has made him feel welcomed and encouraged.

Meeting adjourned 7:28 pm

The next BOD meeting is Thursday March 21 at 6:30 at Round Table Pizza in Salmon Creek. The next Training session is Sunday March 24 at 5 pm at Prairie high school room 301. The General Membership meeting follows at 6:45.