

Baseball Committee Meeting

September 21, 2018 Muskegon Michigan at 9:00am

Chairmen Nelson Cronkright called the meeting to order at 9:00am on Friday September 21st, 2018 in the Governor Room at the Holiday Inn Muskegon, MI.

Committee Members Present: Nelson Cronkright, Bob Eggert, Jeff McGinnis, Mike Trickey (via telephone) and SAL Liaison Dave Stanifer

Guests: 5 present

Minutes from the June 19, 2018 were approved as published.

Election of Officers- It was moved to elect Jeff McGinnis as Vice Chair and Dave Stanifer as Secretary; so ordered.

The 2017-18 budget was reviewed and discussed.

Chairman expressed an interest in establishing a job description for Zone baseball chairs. Tabled until December 2018 meeting.

Dates for next summer's state finals will be determined next week. Ashley (Programs Coordinator) will email Committee with National's dates so the committee can establish our dates.

SAL Commander Gary LaMunyon discussed his special project which is Legion Baseball. Donations to the SAL Commanders special project will go to the Legion Baseball Program.

Class A and AA State Finals will play the same weekend by committees' agreement.

Regional Baseball Tournament will be in Charleston, IL on August 7-11, 2019

World Series will be August 15-20, 2019 in Shelby, NC

Several ideas were discussed about brackets.

There was some discussion on purchasing baseballs through Rawlings. Committee decided not to pursue the offer at this time.

Discussion on establishing a central location for state tournaments took place but no action was taken at this time.

There was a discussion on National and Department baseball brochures not containing enough pertinent information for new teams and players. Ashley offered to develop a small booklet to cover new player and team info along with other important information. New booklet would be used by the committee to better promote baseball.

Concern was expressed as to the lack of Turner and Diamond scholarship applications received at Department.

It was moved and supported to present Steve Vanlke a letter of appreciation for his service at class A state finals.

No additional business. Meeting adjourned at 10:30am.

Respectfully Submitted

Nelson Cronkright

Baseball Chairman