

Middlesex County Over 50 Softball League Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, March 12th, 2016

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Location: 328 Plainfield Ave. Edison, N.J. 08817 Room #203

Board Members	Title
Frank Bender	Commissioner
Lou Guzman	Vice Commisioner
Bob Lorincz	Secretary
League Support	Title
Edward Mullen	Treasurer
Jerry Yaros	Advisor
Ron Lesonsky	Schedules, Fields

Agenda:

1. Executive Board Attendance – Frank Bender, Lou Guzman, Bob Lorincz (3)
2. Ed Mullen - Treasurer (1)
3. Team Rep Attendance (16)
 - 1) Preferred Freezer – Bernie Maguire
 - 2) Vintage Bombers – Ed Last, Patrick Douglas
 - 3) Gateway Funding – Mark Ross
 - 4) Dyntek – Dave Handleman
 - 5) Giants – Anthony Santorelli
 - 6) Rod's Tavern – Carmine Balletta, Pete Smith
 - 7) Highwaymen – Jack O'Conner, Walt Goldeski
 - 8) Metuchen Savings – Neil Best, Jerry Yaros
 - 9) Lionsgate – Tom Colandro
 - 10) Outsiders - Ski
 - 11) OTD – Jeff Nalick
 - 12) Drifters – Jim Strachen
 - 13) Edgewood Properties, Cooper Electric – No representation (2)
4. Executive Board Opening Comments
6' to 12' demonstration was conducted to view the exact height of the pitching arc. Frank Bender will meet with umpire assignor to enforce this height and on scheduling assignments.
5. Ed Mullen reviewed the league financials, insurance and field costs.
Two signatures are required for all issued checks.
He has received full league fees of \$1200 from 3 teams.
Payments will be needed ASAP to meet insurance cost to acquire field permits.

6. The league decided by a 9 yes to 0 no vote to pay the umpires \$22 by each team at the field. Prior to the start of the season, checks for will be issued to all team managers to cover the 30 game schedule. ASA Umpire evaluation forms can be input at:
<https://www.pdfFiller.com/50734526-sbumpevalpdf-Asa-softball-umpire-evaluation-form-Various-Fillable-Forms>
7. A vote to use Tattoo 300/52 ball was defeated by a 4 Yes to 8 No vote. The composite cover ADStar 300/52 was passed by a 9 yes to 2 no vote.
8. The umpire will only be paid if a game starts. This motion was carried by a 10-0 vote.
9. The leagues schedule will begin on April 16th. Initial rosters should be submitted to Bob Lorincz by April 1st and the final roster by May 1st. Roster forms and league waivers can be found at http://njseiorsoftball.com/County/Middlesex/mcssb_sports.html
10. When division crossovers occur, the lower division teams can play with 11 players and the higher division teams must use 10. This was passed by a 6 yes, 6 no and 3 yes board vote.
11. A motion to enforce a mandatory pitching mask was defeated by a 2 yes to 8 no vote. However, the league strongly suggest that masks, shin and heart guards be used.
12. The following rules clarifications were discussed:
 - 1) Use of safety base for first and home. Second first base should be at least 1' to the right from actual base. Second home plate placed so that distance remains 65' from 3rd. On fields where backstop is too close, it will be placed at a safe and reasonable position.
 - 2) Player may slide at home if there is not enough room, short, backstop.
 - 3) Commitment line, half way to be marked by umpire.
 - 4) Only 3 home runs per game, per team. All additional home runs are considered a walk.
 - 5) Lower ranked team can play with 11 players, higher division teams must use 10.
 - 6) Same division both can use 11 players, 8 players to start a game not 9.
 - 7) Teams must bat 12 players if in attendance.
 - 8) Elimination of batter's box. The umpire should draw a line about 1' across from the normal batter's box position.