

## Middlesex County Over 50 Softball League Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, March 3, 2018  
 Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
 Location: Room #203, 328 Plainfield Ave, Edison NJ 08837

Board Members	Title
Frank Bender	Commissioner
John Mazur	Vice Commissioner
Bob Lorincz	Secretary
League Support	Title
Edward Mullen	Treasurer
Jerry Yaros	Advisor

### Agenda:

1. Executive Board Attendance – Frank Bender, John Mazur, Bob Lorincz (3)
2. Treasurer - Ed Mullen (1)
3. Team Representatives Attendance (15)
  - 1) Preferred Freezer – Bernie Maguire (1)
  - 2) Vintage Bombers – Ed Last, Patrick Douglas (2)
  - 3) Gateway Funding –Farlan Alusik (1)
  - 4) Dyntek – Dave Handleman (1)
  - 5) Giants – Mike Guatta (1)
  - 6) Alex-Brown – Nick Menonna (1)
  - 7) Highwaymen – Jack O’Conner, Walt Goldeski (2)
  - 8) Metuchen Savings – Neil Best (1)
  - 9) Lionsgate – Bill Schnitzerling (1)
  - 10) Outsiders – Joe Sciecinski, Mark Ross (2)
  - 11) Drifters – Jim Strachen (1)
  - 12) Edgewood Properties – Ron Lesonsky (1)
4. John Mazur began the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence and prayer for all deceased league officials, players and for all our troops around the world.
5. Ed Mullen reviewed the league financials. He reported that we have a \$1207.47 account balance as of 2/28/2018. The Word version of sponsor letter form is on the website.
6. The league fee is \$1400 with \$700 to be paid to league. The remaining \$700 will be paid to the umpires by each team at the field. Excess funds not needed by the league will be redistributed back to the teams at the end of the season.
7. John Mazur and Frank Bender met with the umpire assignors to negotiate umpire costs and handling of forfeit fees at \$44/game. USAAA umpiring affiliation and costs are being explored at \$40/game.
8. Neil Best, Cliff Aymes Ron Lesonsky, Jerry Yaros and the Board members met to develop the best scenarios prior to division selections. After several discussions on league structure, 2 divisions of 6 teams in each division with a 3 division playoff format determined by final playoff standings. A 26 game balanced schedule was approved plus 2 weeks of division crossovers determined by higher seed matching. (Approved: 10-2)
9. Playoffs grouping will be determined by 4, 4, 4 final season standings with all teams participating. (Approved: 12-0)

10. League divisions and groupings with playoffs determined by final season finish record.

A Division:

Group 1

Alex. Brown  
Preferred Freezer  
Contact Lens

Group 2

Vintage Bombers  
Cooney's  
Outsiders

B Division:

Group 3

Giants  
Metuchen Savings  
Dyntek

Group 4

Lionsgate  
Highwaymen  
Difters

11. Equalizers determined by grouping with none within own group. (Approved: 12-0)

Options: A - 5 runs/game starting at first inning; B - Eliminate middle fielder

1 plays 2: No equalizers

1 plays 3: Choose A or B

1 plays 4: A & B

2 plays 3: No equalizers

2 plays 4: Choose A or B

3 plays 4: No equalizers

12. Change in pitching arc to 6-12ft. (Approved: 12-0)

13. Use of 22" x 36" wooden mat. Farlan Alusik will investigate fabrication. (Approved: 12-0)

14. Even +5 runs/inning rule has been changed to a maximum of 5 runs/inning except for 7<sup>th</sup> inning will remain unlimited. (Approved: 10-2)

15. Mercy rule. (No change)

16. Home run rule (No change)

17. Hard stop to the season (No change)

18. Beginning date of season April 14<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> dependent upon Middlesex County Park Dept.

19. No games on Memorial Day weekend.

20. Order of rainout makeups will be as they occurred in schedule. (No change)

21. Bye week for NJSSA 50 tournament July 28<sup>th</sup>. (Approved: 7-5)

22. Balls will be purchased across several leagues to drive down cost.

23. Review of league rules is on-going.