

## Middlesex County Over 50 Softball League Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, November 23, 2019  
 Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
 Location: 1222 Green Street Iselin, NJ

Board Members	Title
Frank Bender	Commissioner
John Mazur	Vice Commissioner
Bob Lorincz	Secretary
Edward Mullen	Treasurer
Kevin Wertz	Fields
League Support	Title
Jerry Yaros	Advisor
Kirk Tarabookia	Umpire Assignor

### Agenda:

1. Board Attendance – Frank Bender, John Mazur, Bob Lorincz, Ed Mullen, Kevin Wertz (5)
2. Team Representatives Attendance (14)
  - 1) Preferred Freezer – Bernie Maguire, James Jimenez (2)
  - 2) Vintage Bombers – Ed Last (1)
  - 3) Provident Bank – Farlan Alusik, Clifford Aymes (2)
  - 4) Loud Communications – Ron Lesonsky (1)
  - 5) Giants – Anthony Santorelli (1)
  - 6) Alex-Brown – Nick Menonna (1)
  - 7) Highwaymen – Walt Goldeski (1)
  - 8) Metuchen Savings – Neil Best (1)
  - 9) Lionsgate – Jeff Nalick (1)
  - 10) Outsiders – Joe Sciecinski (1)
  - 11) Dyntek – Dave Handleman (1)
  - 12) Drifters – Joe Brown (1)
3. 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.
4. Ed Mullen reviewed the league financials. He reported that we have a \$5512.71 account balance as of 11/23/2019. Excess funds will be refunded to teams and some withheld for payments needed for 2020 season or used for credits for the 2019 season. League fee will be \$1300/team and payable by April 1<sup>st</sup> by all teams.
5. Kirk Tarabookia – USSSA Umpire Assignor was present to discuss, assignments, arc-height enforcement, game costs, etc. Pitching arc to remain at 6’-12’ height. Screen position and height to be enforced by umpires. 6’-10’ arc vote denied (2y-10n).
6. Pitching screen tuck rule and 5’ rule discussed. Warnings, implementation, consequences. (TBD)
7. Schedule and division format TBD in 2020. Kevin Wertz will coordinate with county.
8. Vote to return of \$100 fines to Menonna and Handelman. League is non-profit and no fines shall be implemented.
9. Clarify roster movement from initial week to the 3rd week of playing when rosters are frozen. Player movement in that period to be implemented by manager’s release agreement and Board notified so master roster can be updated.

10. Elections of Officers (Postponed)
11. Rule 30: Implement a point system to determine regular season standings. (TBD)
12. Hard stop to the end of season date. (TBD)
13. Schedule suspended for the dates of NJSSA 50's tournament, Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, and Labor Day weekends. (TBD)
14. No forfeit fines but infractions assessed based on rules 3,6,27,28,29.
15. Minimum game requirement for playoffs. Recommendation is 5 weeks=10 games played out of 28 totals. Umpire of each game is required to make sure the picture of the scorebook is taken and sent to the league officer. (TBD)
16. Rule 17: Increase HR limit to 5, then 1 up 3 is way too limiting for A games (at least for A vs A Teams, vote best 2/3 votes from the A Team managers) (TBD)
17. Make senior bats available to players 65+ to level the playing field for those teams with older players. (TBD)
18. White line extending out from the pitcher's mound location. (TBD)
19. Only Managers speak with umpires: If a player other than the Manager continues to Violate this rule during the game, what should be the Penalty to the Player? (Warning then Ejection) (TBD)
20. Any protests must be immediately presented to the umpire and team managers prior to next pitch and not after game is over. (TBD)
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25. Rules 89: pitching from behind the screen, 5' rule, possible tuck, no pitching from opposite side based upon which hand is used. (TBD)
26. Rule 13,14: change 65'to 70' bases and commit line. (TBD)
27. Rule 18: Flip/Flop rule (TBD)
28. List of exact costs of permits, insurance, softballs, umpires, assignor fees etc. costs to run the league. (Mullen)
29. Safety base 1B clarification. Only play at 1B a runner needs to touch the safety base. No play at 1B runner can touch either 1B bag.