

Minutes

Minutes of Managers' Draft Meeting, Thursday, 4/18/13 at Von Hoffman Field

Managers in attendance: Al Avello (PNB), Jim Mahoney (DWM Bucs), Fran Schweiss (DWM Bucs), Bob Rodgers (IL.C Renegades) Bill Minder (IL.C Renegades)

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1. **Verification of Current Rosters**—Rosters were distributed, listing the current players remaining from last year, minus players who opted to go into the draft and those who have been injured or have decided not to play this year. Puss N Boots had 12 remaining players while the Bucs and the Renegades each had 14
2. **Power Rating for Draft**—Even though the order of selection and number of awarded picks were set at the meeting on 3/21/13, we decided to reevaluate that process in light of the recent spate of injuries and drops. The Bucs would no longer have the first two pick with the Renegades drafting second. The Bucs would get just one first place pick (by virtue of their three previous dismal seasons because Puss N Boots was devastated with losses of personnel while the Renegades had lost Carl Marshall. The Bucs would pick first, followed by Puss N Boots, and then the Renegades.
3. **Determination of Roster Size** —We then agreed to require each to team have at least 18 players on the roster but that teams could exceed the minimum and pick additional players. The Bucs and Puss N Boots elected to fill their roster at 20 players each while the Renegades stopped at 18.
4. **Revised Rules for Playing**—Because we voted to expand the rosters, we created a new rule for playing time. At the discretion of the manager, if a team shows up with 15 players, all 15 must be inserted into the batting order to bat. In addition, all players must play a minimum of 2 innings in the field.
 - A. At the manager's discretion, a team with more than 15 players who show up, the manager still may have only 15 batting slots but may substitute players in and out of the field for the two innings and the remaining players must be inserted into the lineup to **replace** a player in the batting order over a period of three innings. Those players must bat at least once.
 - B. A manager may choose to put all players who show up into the batting order and may move players around in the field any way that he wants.
 - C. For the manager who only bats 15 players with additional players on the bench, bench players must come in and bat in the order for the players they are replacing.
5. **Draft Results**— The following players were drafted and then assigned to the following teams:

Bucs

1. Lou DePalma
2. Chris Fessey

Puss N Boots

- Jerry Barski
- Art Laszlo

Renegades

- Bob Bunting
- Herman Mitchell

3. Ray Giberson
4. Chuck Kascinski
5. Bob Vannozzi
6. Mike Zizzo

Larry Restivo
Bill Schwartz
Bernie Spivack
Rick Totsi
Craig Wright
Joe Zhelesnik

Harold Rittler
Rich Wagner

7. **Uniforms**—(additional uniforms are being procured for new players. Consult with your managers about the color shirt to be worn in the meantime. Bucs wear royal blue, renegades white or gray and Puss N Boots gray.
8. **Games**— Schedule begins on Tuesday, 4/23, with a double header at Von Hoffman, 9:30 and 10:45
9. **Registration, going forward**— We added 10 registrations this morning, bringing our total to 41 with two more "in the mail." We have 68 players on the three teams so 15 players are still unregistered. They will remain on the roster but in an inactive position until they submit their registration form and fee to the commissioner. They may not play in a game until that occurs. The managers are working on contacting those players to get them registered.
10. **New Players**— Any additional players who appear must go through a supplemental draft, to be determined by the manager, based on the roster needs.
11. **Extending Games to 9 Innings**— Because of the extended fuller rosters, the managers considered extending the game to 9 innings so that more players could get to bat more than once or twice. There was strong negative sentiment that such a decision should be made only after consulting with the players.
As a way of confirming that you got this, would you please respond either for or against extending the game to 9 innings. Remember that even though some may be placed at the tip of the batting order, their number of at bats will be reduced by a larger roster. With 21 outs in a 7 inning game, instead of the 27 outs in a nine inning game, many batters will only bat twice, even fewer if it is a tight, low scoring game.
12. **Field Preparation and Warm-ups**— All players should plan on being on the field at least 30 minutes before the game. Some can help managers and other personnel carry equipment and prepare the field. In addition, players who frequently arrive at the last minute before a game cause great distress with the manager who wants to make up the lineup early, even at home before leaving for the game. Any player who can't make it must call the manager as soon as he knows he cannot make the game. Otherwise, he could face stern reminders in the form of sitting.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Mahoney on 4/18/13