NJSSA Meeting Minutes for November 23rd 2013

The meeting began with a moment of silence and prayer for all deceased Senior Softball players and for all our troops in Afghanistan and around the world.

Held on 11/23/2013 at Omega Diner, North Brunswick, NJ

The following items were discussed:

- ROSTERS AND LEAGUE DUES: All team rosters and league dues must be received by June 1, 2014. Rosters should be sent to Bob Lorincz at 13 Brook Drive, Milltown, NJ 08850. ONE CHECK for NJSSA dues of \$5 per player should be sent to Howie Marlin at 222 Castlewall Avenue, Elberon, NJ 07740. The League President or league officials are RESPONSIBLE for collecting all league rosters and dues and submitting them to Bob and Howie, respectively.
- 2. NEWSLETTER: If anyone has articles or pictures in regard to Senior Softball, please send them to Howie Marlin at the above address. Howie is always looking for interesting items to include in the Newsletter.
- 3. NJSENIORSOFTBALL.COM (NJSSA.US) WEBSITE: The NJSSA website has a great deal of information about Senior Softball, including league standings, contacts, rules, etc. We should all use the website more and also encourage league players to do so. Maybe we should put a list of all the items that are on the website on the first page of the Newsletter. Somehow we need to publicize and use the NJSSA website more. Bob Lorincz puts a lot of time and effort into putting all the data from the various leagues on the website.
- 4. IN MEMORIAM: If any players from your league have passed away during the past year, please forward their names to Howie Marlin so that their names can be added to the "In Memoriam" list in the Newsletter.
- 5. 69+ TOURNAMENT: It was agreed that the 4 teams of 69+ players from Morris County will play against the 4 teams of 69+ players from Middlesex County. The other counties will try to put together teams of 69+ players to play against one another.
- 6. 50+ AND 60+ TOURNAMENTS---The number of teams participating in the 50+ and 60+ State Tournaments has been declining in recent years. It was suggested that in addition to having league teams compete in the tournaments, we would have teams made up of players from teams that did not have enough players to field a complete team. The onus would be on the league officials to put these teams together and determine whether they should play in A, B or C bracket. This becomes a matter of integrity and trust for the league officials putting the teams together. The object is to get more teams in the tournaments and players from the various counties meeting one another. We will try this format for 2014 and if it is successful, we will continue it, if not, it will be discontinued.
- 7. TOURNAMENT DATES: Hopefully the dates for the 50+, 60+ and 69+ tournaments will be set at the next NJSSA meeting on January 25, 2014. We are waiting for the dates of the national tournaments to be published, so that we can avoid conflicts with state tournament dates. The national tournament dates should be set shortly after January 1, 2014.

NEXT MEETING:

DATE: Janunary 25, 2014 (Saturday) **TIME**: 9:00 AM

PLACE: OMEGA DINER, NORTH BRUNSWICK, NJ

The above information is for the record and for future reference.

Thank You,

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