

UCSSL MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 5, 2014

The following is a summary of our league meeting of March 5, 2014

30 were in attendance with all 20 teams represented.

Additional registration materials and sponsor fees were submitted to the league treasurer; managers were again reminded that the remainder of these materials, as well as initial team rosters (update last year's roster and re-submit for 2014) are due before the season begins. No player may participate in any league activity until he has signed a 2014 waiver.

Shirt order forms are due to Gary Wiese at this time to ensure that shirts will be available by Opening Night 6 weeks from tonight.

Please let the commissioner know if you need names and contact information of those who have inquired about joining our league.

Lil' John's Pizza is the new sponsor of the 60+ Division team formerly known as DeBellis Associates.

Information for the NJSSA newsletter is due by May 15. It is hoped that a person (or persons) of interest can be identified. Pictures are also wanted.

This will be our 25th season of UCSSL play. We seek a suitable recognition for this accomplishment, perhaps by acknowledging those who will soon be playing in their 25th season. George Merlo, present at the meeting, is such a person. Two others who may have similar longevity were also mentioned. We will follow-up in an attempt to identify all who have been with the league throughout its history.

Ongoing attempts to finally establish a viable 65+ Division in 2014 were discussed. Games are likely to be held on Thursday mornings but that could change if a better time exists. Managers are asked to determine interest from their 65+ year old players.

Discussion of numerous proposed rule changes resulted in some being dismissed outright or voted down by managers. Several others were accepted as rewording for clarity of current league rules. The following rule changes were voted upon and adopted:
Rule 4.2.3 was eliminated.

A new rule in section 4.2 was added -- "An OOC player, 70 or older, having played in the past 5 or more years consecutively shall be considered the same as a Union County player."

Proposed changes to Rules 4.5.4 and 8.4.6 were discussed and tabled until the April league meeting.

Rules intended to "level the playing field" in 60+ Division games were not discussed, and will be held over until April.

50+ and 60+ managers selected fields on the 2014 UCSSL schedule for the upcoming season.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 2, at 7:30 pm. This meeting will include possible additional rule changes, and the distribution of rulebooks, scorebooks, softballs and checks for umpire fees.