

**CAPE COD SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE**  
**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**  
**HARWICH COMMUNITY CENTER**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Barry, Bob Callahan, Ben Caswell, Peter Cutler, Jim Gresis, John Hession, Peter Strand and Commissioner Van Khachadoorian

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: Brian Hastings, Jay Houser and Bill Producers

Meeting Called to Order by Commissioner Khachadoorian at 12:31 A.M.

Approval of Minutes: **Motion by Hession** to accept the minutes of the 08/16/2021 minutes. Seconded by Strand. **Motion passes**

Treasurer's Report – Hession

**Motion by Strand** to accept Treasurer's report. Seconded by Cutler.

**Motion passes.**

**LEAGUE MATTERS/REPORTS**

**1. Banquet Committee Report – Conroy**

We have 183 signed up. The restaurant will be contacted tomorrow with the final count and meal preferences. Thus far, we are on budget. The most difficult part of this endeavor was collecting the money once the regular season ended. Some of the managers still had the checks.

It was suggested that our web site provider "Sports Engine" could help facilitate all of this, e.g., advertising the event, emails to each player and collection of the money via credit card. This should be discussed with our webmaster, Jim Gunning.

**2. Cape Cod Classic Report – Draeger**

Fifty-four teams participated. Ten teams were from the Cape. Eight hundred players participated. We scheduled 152 games. Friday, Hurricane Larry passed by offshore. Harwich and Yarmouth town departments did an incredible job of clearing water from the fields, we only needed to cancel 5 games that day. The next 5 days were excellent and all games were played as scheduled. Many thanks to the over 70 league volunteers and 13 of their partners who worked as hosts, umpires, parking directors and merchandise sellers. We will be meeting with the hosts and team leaders to get their input on the games and will use that information in setting priorities for the 2022 tournament. Food trucks will be sought after for next year. Expenditures and profit are not assessed yet.

**3. Grant Funds Report – Khachadoorian**

Van sent a letter addressing the donor's question about our league. She in turn has indicated that she would donate up to \$3500 for a project.

We have a "Project Suggestion Committee" set up to determine possibilities for use of our "rainy day fund" and our donations. The committee consist of Peter Cutler, John Hession, Jim Gresis and Mike Barry.

**4. Bylaw Committee Report – Salerno**

Notice has been posted on the web site regarding recommended changes to the Bylaws. Please note that the committee said "NO" to age changes.

**5. General Meeting/Elections – Khachadoorian**

The General meeting will be held Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Monomoy Regional High School cafeteria. Starting at 9 (coffee/donuts) 9:30 AM starts the meeting. Election will be held: the slate: 1 Commissioner, 1 Treasure and 4 Directors at large. We need 40 paid league members for a quorum.

**6. Discussion: Masters Program**

The Masters Program needs some reinvigoration. How do we make the program viable? Could we develop a division 5? Or do we just dissolve it? Please put some thought into this for next season.

**Other League matters:**

**Mike Barry** – a possible recruitment idea, the "Seaside Festival" in Yarmouth. Could we have a table with recruitment material? Cost is \$75 per table spot.

**Jim Gresis** - suggested a table at Stop and Shop: collect food for the CC Food Pantry and give out info on our league. **Charlie Salerno** suggested using a computer to show our players in action.

**Ben Caswell** thought that Paul could get some of his photos of league play in some newspapers.

**Charlie Salerno** – we had a lot of good feedback regarding our umpires at the classic. We paid \$25 for 1 ump and \$15 for 2 umps. The total cost was about \$3000. The umps have already returned 30% of that to the league.

**Ben Caswell** – suggested that we invite Jim Gunning to our Board meetings.

**The Board thanked Van Khachadoorian for his tireless service as Commissioner and to the league in general.**

Van said that he has deep passion and commitment to CCSSL

He suggested that we develop a job description for "Assistant Commissioner"

**Motion made to adjourn: 11:28 A.M.**

**Next Meeting: October 2, 2021: 9/9:30 A.M. Monomoy High School Cafeteria**

Minutes submitted by: Judy Kennedy, Recording Secretary