

CENTRAL ILLINOIS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Minutes

February 4, 2024

Darren Barnes provide a meatloaf dinner, assisted by Tom Huntsman. Twenty seven members were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by President Joey Richardson at 6:00 p.m. Joey sent out a Google Link for members to sign up for the State Finals, to be held on the last weekend of May and the first weekend of June. The finals will be played at Sluggers in Peoria. Volunteers are needed in a number of areas for the two weekend championships.

Secretary Nick Scibona thanked Bryan Devine for taking the minutes from the 1/21 meeting (in Nick's absence). The minutes were displayed at the meeting tonight and can also be found on the CISA website. Roger made a motion to accept the minutes. Tony Ware seconded. The minutes were approved without correction. Nick talked about the combined Clinic, Test Night meeting on Feb 18. Future meetings are on 3/10, 4/7, 4/28 and 5/19.

Treasurer Ron Helgeson reported on the financials. Fifty-three members have paid their dues. We've received thirteen of the

seventeen assigning fees expected. (Waiting for Brimfield, Manual, Notre Dame and Richwoods). Ron read a thank you letter from scholarship winner Carlie Vaughn (sp.). She will be using the \$750 scholarship money to attend the U of Iowa. Bruce motioned to accept the report. Bill seconded. The motion passed.

Vice President Isaiah Doty requested volunteers for the upcoming finals. Roger shared that we may be able to piggy back with McDonalds, to sponsor a softball game at ICC, not limited to seniors, in lieu to replace the Senior Salute.

Director Tom Huntsman shared that the next two meetings have the food already determined. Fred will provide fish fry on 3/10.

Assignor Bryan Devine provided thorough review of Arbiter. How to block dates, times and how to specify assignors and assignments. Three hundred ninety eight games have so far been assigned. No games have been assigned since the last meeting, as we await schedules from a few more schools.

Past Presidents Fred McNeely and Jon Carls reported on on future officer elections later this year. Dave Allen has expressed interest in being President, Brett Stevens is interested in being our External V.P., Tony Ware is interested in becoming Secretary. Fred stressed that if you are interested in an officer position to make your interest known well advance of the

voting.

Roger Holzauer reviewed softball training 101. Proper positioning, pre-game meeting, proper rotation were all reviewed. Roger also talked about next meetings' clinic, test night, etc. Again that will be on Feb 18 with the clinic starting at 3:00 p.m.

Tony motioned to close the meeting, Bryan seconded. The meeting was adjourned.