

B.A.S.S. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DECEMBER 20, 2023

Members Present: Lonnie Champagne, Robby Jannise, Russell McCartney, Leonard Morgan

I. Review of Rules

A. League rules were reviewed and revisions were made concerning pitching screens. Revisions are as follows:

A. The pitcher may pitch from an area up to 6 feet directly behind the pitching rubber. A pitching screen will be mandatory when it is available. When a screen is not available, pitchers must wear a facemask.

1. The screen must touch the pitching rubber at all times and must be set up on the pitcher's glove side. Once set in the half-inning, the screen cannot be repositioned. The pitcher shall be behind the screen after the ball is released.

(All other rules pertaining to pitching remain the same.)

B. Revisions will be shared with coaches and players prior to the start of the spring league.

II. Registration Dinner

A. February 6, 2024 at Luna's Mexican Restaurant at 6:00PM. Cost will be \$13 per person including tip.

B. Registration forms will be available online and players encouraged to fill out in advance. Forms will also be available at the dinner. Fee will be \$80 as was set for the 2023 season.

III. Spring league start date

A. The '24 season will begin March 18, 2024.

B. The length of the season will be decided based on the registration numbers. The league saw an increase in players for 2023 and could see an increase again.

IV. Sponsors 2024

A. Sponsors were discussed and board members will contact the 2023 sponsors to inquire about continuing sponsorships for 2024.

B. Sponsorships will cost \$300.

C. If the league grows enough to warrant more teams, there will be a need for additional sponsors.

V. Miscellaneous Items

A. Returning coaches were discussed and will be updated for the season. Robby Jannise will contact the 2023 coaches.

B. There has been no update from the City of Baytown concerning the delayed renovations to Wayne Gray Sports Complex.

C. Umpires will be contacted and asked about working for 2024. Joe Holloway will be asked to assist in managing umpire schedules and getting coverage when needed.