

## NSASA Advisory Board Meeting

January 8, 2011

### General

- Roster deadline 6/17/11. After 6/17/11 there will be a \$25 late fee.
- Roster change deadline 7/1/11.
- Registration deadline 6/1/11. After 6/1/11 there will be a \$10 late fee.
- Spring meeting will be April 16, 2011.
- Classification meeting will be July 8, 2011.
- Two executive board appointments – Mary Hager and Sue Lachenmeier.
- Roger Weigel is new NDASA Tournament Coordinator.
- Mike Peterson named Assistant Tournament Coordinator. His responsibilities are, but not limited to, chair the player classification committee including appeals and input research, marketing possibilities for tournament, research game management possibilities and assist tournament coordinator.
- Scott Schafer named J O Slow pitch commissioner and roster coordinator.

### 2011 National Tournament

1. MSP C Northern – Bismarck Labor Day weekend. (Must play in a state tournament)
2. WSP C&D Bloomington, MN – Labor Day Weekend. (Must play in a state tournament)
3. Co ed Open C&D – Bloomington, MN 8/25-28.
4. J O Slow-pitch 10u – 18U – Watertown, SD 7/28-31.
5. J O GFP B 10U+B 18U – Rochester, MN 8/4-7.

2012 Master 35 – Mandan

Player Classification and appeal committee chair Mike Peterson, Roger Weigel and Scott Brahos.

### Home Run Rule

WSP Open –unlimited

B – 6HR

C – 4HR

D – 2HR

MSP B – 6HR

C – 4HR

D – 2HR

R1 to R4 – 2HR

Coed C – 4HR

D – 2HR

Master 35 – 4HR

40 – 4HR

45 – 4HR

Roster changes must be mailed before 6/25/11. After 6/25/11 fax or email changes.

## **WOMEN'S SLOWPITCH**

**Reported by Sue Lachenmeier**

### **THESE ARE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE WSP GROUP TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Roster deadline is 6/17/11. After deadline there will be a \$25 late fee.

July 1<sup>st</sup> Roster final change deadline. We are concerned of the short time frame from the 1<sup>st</sup> to classification meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Incomplete Roster is the league reps responsibility. They need to be aware of seriousness. Roster must be COMPLETE when sent in.

Player not to be allowed to play down more than 2 classes. With this change C not to play below Rec I, D not below Rec II, Rec I not below Rec III. Motion made.

UIC fee not paid if UIC is not at the tournament for complete tourney. Scheduler fee based on number of teams in tournament and what executive board feels is fair. Motion made.

Ejections need to be sent to state by league reps within 3 days to Dick Gulmon.

2011 Class B teams can play in class C invitational.

Starting 2012 if we have a B team in the state they will be allowed to play in C invitational and open division (formerly C) for state.

Pick up player for State Tournament max 2.

10 of your own – pick-up 1 your class or lower.

9 of your own – pick-up 2 of your class or lower.

8 of your own – pick-up 2 of your class or lower.

Motion made

Roster change after deadline (extreme cases only)

Teams notify team rep.

League rep notify commissioner

Commissioner investigates and gets information to state commissioner/state president. After decision is made women's commissioner will notify team and tournament manager.

Motion made. Thank you to Kathy Stefonick for many years of service. Kathy has agreed to be on women's classification committee. We will appreciate her knowledge and input.

Submitted, Sue Lachenmeier

## **MEN'S SLOWPITCH**

**Reported by Roger Weigel**

### **THESE ARE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MSP GROUP TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

1. On time registration – Discussion at National level issue with signatures.  
League reps message to managers to complete legible rosters and complete.

2. Ejections submitted to Dick Gulmon timely.
3. Committee of Roger Weigel, Schott Brohus, Sam Martin, and Kevin Gebhardt. Objective to gather input on disallowing competitive players from Rec 2 or lower rosters and submit recommendation to the NDASA for discussion on consideration at January 2011 meeting. The committee submitted proposals. Review written discussion and proposals and have further discussion at spring meeting.
4. State tournament pick-up players
  - 3 players can change team make up.

Motion Passed –

Teams entering state tournaments for all division of play can pick up a maximum of two players. The maximum number of players per team including pickups is 12 players. The pick-up players must come from your team's classification or lower and from teams not drawn into the bracket. The pick-up player classification is from their higher team classification or player data base, whichever classification is higher. The pick-up player form must be signed by league rep and submitted to tournament director prior to first game. The pick-up player shall wear his own team's uniform.

### **MEN'S MASTER SLOWPITCH**

**Reported by Jack Jones**

#### **THESE ARE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MASTERS GROUP TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- 1) Allow one courtesy runner per inning in Masters 35 (adopt same rule for 35 as presently used in Masters 40).

This is a request from the Master 35 team managers.

- 2) Allow pick-up players in Masters 35/40 State Tournaments.
  - a. Maximum 2 pick-up players.
  - b. Maximum 12 players (including pick-ups)
  - c. Pick-up players must be age qualified and rostered NDASA players.
  - d. Masters 35 Div I – Teams may pick up from any class.  
 35 Div II – Pick-up players must be Rec I or lower.  
 35 Div III – Pick-up players must be Rec 3 or Rec 4 only.  
 Masters 40 Div I – Any Class  
 40 Div II – Pick-up players Rec 2 or below

Pick-up players request came from the team managers. Our committee recommends a pick-up player form be developed that must be turned in prior to a team's initial game in the tournament.

- 3) Team managers requested a set classification system for Masters Divisions.
  - a. Masters 35 Div I teams will be any team with 2 or more lettered (A-D) players.
  - b. Masters 35 Div II will be allowed one (1) lettered player.
  - c. Masters 35 Div III – no lettered players allowed.

Masters 40

- a. Any team with a lettered player will be Div I.
- b. No lettered players in Div II.

Masters committee requests all rosters be available for the Masters Classification meeting in July.

- 4) Allow 50 & over players to play both the wood bat 50 and Rec 3 State Tournaments. Even if they are the same weekend.
- 5) ASA bat list will continue to be used as the determination of what is or is not a single wall bat.
- 6) Committee recommends Masters 60 State Tournament remain in Mandan, until tournament numbers increase.
- 7) State Tournament site recommendations:
 

Masters 40/Masters 60	Mandan
Masters 35	Fargo
Masters 50	Jamestown
Wood Bat	Mandan

In a non-masters item, we discussed the ongoing issue of upper class players and Rec divisions of play...our discussion came out with these suggestions.

- 1) Players not be allowed to play down more than two classes. With this change C players could not play below Rec I, D players could not play below Rec 2, and Rec I players below Rec 3. This change would make Rec 3&4 truly recreational softball.
- 2) In conjunction with this change, we also suggested moving the Div I/II/III tournament back one week, playing it the same weekend as the Rec 3. The upper class teams have requested this change, making the state tournament closer to Nationals. It would allow the upper class players to play in the Rec I/II State Tournaments and eliminate them from the Rec 3.

Those present at the Masters Committee meeting were Jack Jones, Richard Peterson, Craig Good, Steve Granberg and Jack Lukes.

**GIRLS J O FASTPITCH**

Reported by Brian Neuhardt

**THESE ARE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE GIRLS J O FASTPITCH GROUP**

- State Tournament entry fee \$125.
- State Tournament dates - July 23 & 24.
- State Umpire fees - \$30.
- National Tournament status to send teams to National.
- Run rule discussed for 10u.
- ASA cards at state tournament.

- Tournament dates:
  - o West Fargo – June 18 & 19
  - o Prairie Rose in Bismarck July 10 & 11
  - o State Tournament in Bismarck July 23 & 24
- Background checks on all coaches and scorekeepers.
- 1 ACE coach classification per team.
- Ace classifications on all coaches
  - o Discussed advantage of ACE classification.
    - Not sport specific.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MSC Roster changes after deadline must come from MSP and WSP commissioner. Final approval by state commissioner, state president and state tournament coordinator.

MSC Approved state tournament sites and dates for 2011.

MSC Girls FP Tournament dates as follows:  
     West Fargo – June 18-19  
     Prairie Rose State Games – Bismarck – July 10-11  
     State tournament – Bismarck – July 24-25

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MSC Give \$1500 to McQuade Softball Tournament to assist being in Team USA.

MSC Increase state tournament umpire game fee to \$20 per game.

MSC Do background checks on all umpires working with NDASA every year. Also background checks on all individuals involved with any J O program. Background checks to be handled through ASA.

MSC Only advisory and executive board can place information on NDASA website.

MSC J O FPG state tournament umpire fee is \$30 per game. Entry fee for state tournament is \$125.

MSC Any J O team can go to a national if they play in a state tournament. NDASA will pay entry fee to a national for the champion or next highest finisher per tournament.

MSC Greg Kaeding to review and change pick-up player form. This form will be used for state tournaments. If form is not signed by league rep, form is not valid.

MSC Women's Slowpitch class B teams can play in class C Invitational tournament.

MSC Umpire board to meet and discuss umpire scheduling fee and UIC tournament site fee.

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