

Northern California Umpire Association
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, 10 November 2010
South Sunset Clubhouse

7:00 pm Softball

Henry Jung delivered softball issues on behalf of Anna Louie

Summer league is finished. Everything has been billed and the umpires have been paid.

Middle school is finished. Our bill has been sent to the AAA Office.

Overall, we had a great year! All games were covered with one to two exceptions. These exceptions were fined accordingly.

Winter League – the first annual Winter league will begin 16 Nov 2010. The Winter league was initiated for a maximum of 72 teams; and 56 teams have signed up. This initiative was very well received by enthusiastic team and players despite the entry fee of \$730 per team. Games are scheduled for Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Games will be played primarily at Lang and Moscone fields. Let Anna know if you are interested in working the Winter League. There are limited assignments to be disbursed. Assignments will be given first come, first served. Anna will also use this season umpire records to disburse the assignments; i.e., getting to park 15 minutes prior, attendance meetings, etc. Rain out games will not be re-scheduled. Winter league games will use two umpires.

Umpires should not keep softballs propped on the backstop before, during, or after games.
Keep softballs in your ball bag

Applicant/Member status recommendations

Mike Esola and Albert Johnson are to be promoted to member after attending two more General Meetings (Nov 10 and Dec 8)

Henry reviewed distinguishing legal, illegal, and altered bats

7:31 pm General issues

Chuck called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Minutes from 23 June 2010 General Meeting were approved

Treasury report by Henry Jung

Balances as of 10 Nov:

checking	\$28,022.28
UIC fund	\$1136.45
Equip. fund	\$700.91

2010 fiscal year expenses (starting 1 Mar) through 31 Oct 2010:

phone	\$1113.28
supplies	\$818.95
postage	\$270.23

all 2010 baseball monies have been received and paid out as of 8 Nov 2010 except \$276 from Lincoln for spring non-league games.

All 2010 softball monies have been received. All softball monies have been sent out in the mail on 29 Oct 2010.

The Federal 1099 forms for 2010 tax year will be late due to the softball winter league program although still on time as required by law

2011 Dinner Report

We are set for Monday 24 Jan 2011 at Caesars again, Powell and Bay. Members who have paid at least \$90 in dues for the year are entitled to attend the dinner with one guest. Invitations, with entrée choice to be returned will be distributed at 8 Dec General meeting or mailed.

Elections will be held at the Weds 8 Dec General meeting. Pizza and soda will be provided. General issues will start at 7:00 pm; softball and baseball umpires should arrive at 7:00 pm

By-laws amendment proposal was read for membership consideration and vote on 8 Dec

By-laws will be reviewed and globally revised in 2011. Member input is welcome.

Assignors are appointed by the President for one-year terms. Any member in good standing interested in being an Assignor for softball or baseball are invited to appear at the Monday 6 Dec Executive Board meeting, 6:30 pm, Park Station

Nominations

Dave Gallerani was recognized for his service on the Executive Board and received best wishes on his move to South Carolina.

Henry read the roster of Members in good standing who are and are not eligible for election for one of the three vacant Board positions, currently occupied by Dave Gallerani, Tony Hoover, and Rich Cerny.

Tony Hoover, Harvey Maxey, Staci Stobo, and Rich Cerny were nominated (in order) for the vacant Board positions

Old Business

none

New Business

George Gruber passed away recently. A moment of silence was observed.

Softball training dates were announced, see website: www.ncuasf.org

8:03 pm Baseball

Don Simon reviewed baseball issues

Coaches at the Middle school end of season meeting had a few complaints which Don addressed. Next year there will be re-alignment into two divisions and two additional playoff games.

Bats were inspected and discussed. Composite bats are illegal for 2011 under NFHS rules; high school and middle school. Bats are a POE (point of emphasis) for 2011. bats and helmets must be inspected before each game. Illegal equipment must be removed from the field of play, including dugout. The BBCOR standard is scheduled for 2011 but these bats are not available. The leagues must resolve this issue before play starts.

Assigning survey will be sent by email by the Secretary

Assignment parameters, including partners, positions, teams, fields, were discussed. Some umpires expressed dissatisfaction with their assignments in 2010. for example, an umpire was assigned five plate jobs in a row. Another umpire was assigned the same partner(s) repetitively. Don will try to mix it up better, utilize Arbiter better, and request help from Arbiter staff

Uniforms are going to become more standardized. Fines for equipment infractions will be imposed in 2011. Umpires can avail themselves of the equipment fund.

Training must now cover concussion issues, each league has different requirements. We will have a special concussion training night in January with a UCSF medical professional for AAA games. Umpires must attend to be assigned games.

COLT league tournament was successful. NCUA performance was well regarded.

Winter league baseball tournament in San Bruno, \$40 per game, first week in Dec

Minutes compiled by Alex Andrus, Secretary