

CMO35 Meeting Minutes – Annual 2014

November 23, 2014

S.A.C. Park Shrewsbury, Ma.

Meeting opened 11:10 am

1. Roll call – In Attendance: 85 Main, Auburn, Brimfield, Charlton, Chicopee, Cosmos, Grafton, Italia, Olympia, Polonia, Quabbin, Shrewsbury, Sturbridge, Tantasqua.
Absent: AJ Turtles, Nashoba, Oxford, and WASC. Each assessed a \$25 fine as per Bylaw 1.0.
2. Meeting Minutes - Fall 2014 meeting minutes read and accepted.
3. Old Business – Referees; 3 man referee system, voted to continue filling A division first then B division. Referee fees remain the same, \$60 center \$35 each AR. Scheduling of the 10th game of the season to remain as is. 1st plays 2nd etc. Two teams addressed concerns with a referee and requested he not referee their games. It was agreed that we do not have enough referees to start limiting were they can and cannot referee. It was asked if he could do B Division only, to be discussed with the referee assignor. A referee feedback system was suggested, i.e. team manager reports to referee assignor issues with referees. Dale will be asked for input on this request. Team managers stated that they would like to see more yellow cards issued to keep control of the game and send a message.

Bylaw fines; Outstanding bylaw fines were discussed. It was determined that Craig would 'chase' after the fines owed for 2014. Any fines owed by teams or players no longer members would be set aside until such time they return and they will not be allowed to return until old fines are paid. It was also

4. New Business – Ed from Cosmos will no longer be the team coordinator for the Cosmos, he is however continuing to play. Cosmos does not have a new coordinator at this time. Ed will get the name of the new coordinator to Craig.

League Standings; As per league bylaws the following teams change divisions. WASC moves to B Division and Polonia moves to A Division.

Spring Schedule – Game dates; 4/12, 19, 26, 5/3, 10, 17, 31, 6/7, 14, 21, 28. Make-up June 28 & July 12. Games are scheduled on Patriots Day weekend and Mother's Day. It was noted that if a team cannot field 7 players on these dates they must reschedule at least one week in advance. B Division will have a bye, if Cosmos does not enter a team the A Division would have a bye as well. It was decided that if this happens AJ Turtles (2nd in B Division) would move to A Division giving A 8 teams and B 8 teams with no byes.

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Bylaw Changes – There were three bylaw changes voted and approved.

1. Section 2.2; new league official position added. *“Vice President, Shall preside in the absence of the President; shall work with other officers and carry out such other duties as delegated by the President;”*
 2. Section 4.6.1; Player passcards amended. *“There will be no repercussions for the players’ first offence, however any subsequent offence shall result in a \$25 fine payable to the league for the failure to have a valid pass card.”*
 3. Section 10.0; League fees. *“Each team participating in CMO35 shall pay a seasonal League fee of \$175.00. This fee shall be paid in full on or before each Pre-Season meeting. Any games played by a team who’s League fee or Bylaw fines are not paid in full shall be recorded as forfeit and the team considered a ‘No-Show’ and assessed the League fine as stated in Bylaw Section 7.2.”*
5. Election of officers – Existing officers: Craig Hibbert, President; Dale Rio, Referee Assignor; Jack Keough, Secretary/Web Administrator; running unopposed. Jim Gerrish, Treasurer not seeking re-election. Treasurer position remains open, no nominees. New position Vice-President; one nominee Peter Silverman.

All nominees voted on and approved. With the Treasurer’s position vacant it was decided the Vice President would be the ‘second signature’ on all the leagues financial accounts until the Treasurer position is filled.

Meeting Closed 1:05 pm