



MIDWEST ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

2011 MAAD Softball's Players Council meeting was called to order on July 14, 2011 at 2:10 pm at Crowne Plaza Hotel of St. Louis, MO.

Tournament Director Greg Petersen welcomed 10 team representatives to the meeting.

A representative from Red Cross gave a video presentation on heat illness.

Greg introduced Dawn Crain who will be our EMT during the tournament.

Laura Lister, 2011 St. Louis Bell Club/MAAD Committee, gave her welcome address.

Barbara Nacarelli, MAAD Commissioner, gave her brief report about NSAD and is seeking one male and one female player to represent MAAD in NSAD's Softball Meeting Sunday morning.

James Johnson, MAAD Deputy Commissioner, gave a brief talk about our upcoming Revisited Meeting in September in Omaha to discuss many issues – Bylaws, how to draw more teams into MAAD, etc.

Greg took the floor. He showed a power point presentation of number of teams in each region. Open Forum followed to throw in ideas how to draw more teams to MAAD.

1. Have a men and women tournament then coed tournament; meaning players will play more games if play on a men or women team?
2. Post information on MAAD website "Need a player?" "Looking for a team" 60 days before the actual 30 days team registration deadline?
3. Change fees?
4. Post information on MAAD website, not Facebook because MAAD website is our official website.

New business:

1. Faribault moved and was seconded that they pay \$100 fine to add a player and the player pays \$25 combo fee. PASSED as a whole
 - a. Amended and was seconded "to any team" PASSED
 - b. Amended and was seconded "to any team up to 13 players" PASSED
 - c. Amended and was seconded "to any team with a limit of 1 player" PASSED
2. ECA moved and was seconded to allow Loy Nelson to play for St. Louis Bell Club Saints (Coed) with a fine of \$100 plus \$25 player combo fee. PASSED

Drawing of teams was completed on the Round Robin (RR) schedule. Greg reminded team representatives that the RR results will determine seedings for Saturday's tournament play.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.

Meeting recorder – Marti Herman

Attached is the Players Council's Roll Call list.