

September 12, 2010 Fall Rules Meeting at Clemons School

Towns present: Melbourne, Clemons, Rhodes, Albion, Garwin, Ferguson and Laurel girls.

President Tracey Malloy called the meeting to order. Stacy Porter, secretary pro-tem, recorded the minutes of the meeting.

Tracey paid Laurel-\$100, Rhodes-\$50, Garwin-\$100 for the umpires for semifinal games. State Center-\$50 and Baxter-\$100 won't be reimbursed as they didn't attend the meeting.

A lengthy discussion was held about Baxter PW boys not showing up for tournaments in Albion and Ferguson Major Girls not showing up at Baxter. Tracey stated the board will discuss in winter meeting how to handle the brackets for the 2011 season and the consequences for not showing up.

Stacy Porter made a motion for board to reimburse Albion-\$50 for umpires and Albion should receive an extra game in tournaments in 2011. Baxter will pay the board the \$50. Tammy seconded. All present were in favor. Tracey will discuss the situation with Eric Nation and the board will make the final in the winter meeting.

Jacob Berrey made a motion that if a town doesn't show up in tourney then they won't get to host any tourney games the following year. Additional penalties will be at the board's discretion. Tammy seconded. No vote was taken as Tracey felt this was a board issue and needed to be discussed in winter meeting. This was not a rule change.

Ferguson stated they are willing to work something out with Baxter on the missed Majors girl's game or accept whatever consequences the board has for them.

Discussion of boy's rules:

Tracey made a motion to change the wording from Boys Majors to Babe Ruth. Jacob Berrey seconded. Vote was in favor of the change.

Tracey made a motion to have Babe Ruth be grades 8-11. Jacob seconded. Vote was favorable.

Stacy Porter made a motion that towns pay to have a certified umpire behind the plate and the board will help develop a list of names. Base umpires have to be 21 years or older. Tracey seconded. Vote was favorable.

Tracey made a motion for 11th grade to read like the girls rules-they can't be on a varsity roster. Jacob seconded. Vote was favorable.

Rule 15.03: All Babe Ruth coaches will be 21 years or older.

Rule 10.01: List the bat sizes that are printed in the Iowa High School Rule Book to avoid confusion.

Tracey will bring up at winter meeting if the board will supply each town with a rule book.

Stacy made a motion to eliminate rule 8.01: Pitchers are allowed to pitch a regulation game in 1 day. Motion failed as there wasn't a seconded.

Tracey will let Michelle know that Babe Ruth is back.

Jacob made motion to adjourn the meeting. Stacy seconded.