2008 SCIFL Post Season Meeting

October 11, 2008 <u>-</u> 10:00 AM

In attendance were the following board members: Robert Hernandez - Tournament Supervisor Fred Hanker - Commissioner David Carillo - A Division Supervisor Fernie Ramirez Sr. - Player Rep

Team Representatives: Pat Murray - Palm Springs Express Fernie Ramirez Jr. - Panteras 2 Mitch Mendenhall - San Diego Primetime Cecilio Smalling - Flor De Cana Chris McGehee – Silverhawks

Minutes: Completed by Fred Hanker and Robert Hernandez

<u>1) 2008 Season Recap</u>

* Robert discussed the 2008 season and declared it a successful one. *Las Vegas was the most successful tournament from a participation standpoint. Robert is expecting more than 20 teams for next season. Field situation for Las Vegas will be better next year. The field situation for next year was also discussed.

*Boulder inquired about moving tournament to their site. The distance from Las Vegas is a major issue with the Boulder site.

*Santa Barbara was the least successful tournament. Hotels were too expensive and we had the lowest turnout of teams to participate. The SCIFL ended up losing 276.00 in Santa Barbara.

<u>A) Non Profit Status</u> Robert mentioned that we are still in the process of finishing up our non profit status. We hope to be set by the end of the year with an official tax id number.

<u>B) Expenses</u> 1) Robert had documentation of each tournament the SCIFL had and a financial breakdown of each site. The SCIFL has a little over 2,000 dollars to start the season for next year.

2) A motion was made to keep the tourney fee at 375.00 and put any extra money toward the league. The motion passed by unanimous vote. In 2009 the SCIFL will continue to charge 375.00 per tournament.

2) 2009 Proposed Schedule

*Robert had the proposed 2009 SCIFL schedule for each person in attendance.

*The open March date the SCIFL is looking at Bakersfield or Taft. The concern was brought up with Taft was the lack of hotel rooms.

*The SCIFL is moving a tournament to Central California to

accommodate players and teams in that area.

*Other sites will be considered for open March date.

*Robert emphasized that this is a preliminary schedule and its subject to change.

*All NAFA World Series dates were confirmed.

*2009 SCIFL will also have The Masters league again.

*Robert recapped the NAFA 2008 World Series

<u>3) Tournament Formats</u>

*Robert asked everyone present if they wanted to keep same format of 3 games Saturday and single elimination on Sunday. The group all agreed to keep the same format.

*Cecilio Smalling and David Carillo expressed interest in playing the upper division, but wanted to keep their status as a lower division team.

*A motion was made to make the 2009 SCIFL a one division league. Robert wanted to have the right to set the round robin schedule to make it fair to all teams. All teams will play in one single elimination bracket. The motion passed with a unanimous vote and the 2009 SCIFL will be one whole division.

*The point system and standings used in the past will remain in place for 2009.

*The 2009 SCIFL Constitution will be altered in the next few weeks to reflect the change of the league from 2 divisions to 1 division.

*We hope to have the fences in May for Santa Fe Springs

*The schedule will no longer be random as Robert will write the schedule based on fairness and competiveness to give lesser talented teams a chance to compete.

4) Player Classification

*Robert Hernandez, Clyde Bennet and Lou Enriquez will remain on the classification committee.

*Fernie Ramirez Jr. expressed interest to have Fred Hanker and David Carillo as part of the committee. The group agreed to keep it at 3 for the time being.

*David Carrillo expressed concern about the way player pickups are handled at the league level and the national level. Robert agreed to talk to Benji to see if we could change how players are added for National Tournaments.

*A motion was made to allow all pitchers to pitch on Saturday and Sunday. The motion was passed with a unanimous vote. In 2009 any pitcher may pitch on Saturday and Sunday for their prospective teams. *The SCIFL constitution will be altered to take in account this change.

5) SCIFL Funds

*The league fee will remain at 375.00 *We no longer have the 50.00 recovery fee *We currently have about 2,000 dollars for 2009 *Sponsors will be able to write off sponsor money when we attain our tax id number.

6) Upcoming Tournaments

*October 24-25 Fernie's Halloween Tournament in Norwalk *November 1-2 Vicki's Palm Springs Tournament *November 15-16 Young Bucks Fund Raiser Tournament in Santa Barbara

7) SCIFL Constitution

*David Carrillo made a motion to equally divide all the available post season money to all teams participating in the NAFA World Series pending executive board passing article 12 of the constitution. The motion was voted yes by unanimous vote.

*The constitution will be altered in the next few weeks reflecting changes made at this meeting to the SCIFL

<u>8) SCIFL Board</u>

*The entire board will remain intact.

*There was some concern with the UIC position

*David Carrillo will be given a different title with the merger of the two divisions.

9) SCIFL Website

*Fred Hanker has the software to use the website and is awaiting training by Robert

*Stats will be updated in the next few weeks

*Members present at the meeting want the website updated in a more timely manner.

<u>10) Umpires</u>

*Robert and Clyde are working on umpire pool for 2009 *Umpires will continue to get 30.00 per game with a one-time 10.00 registration fee

*The SCIFL is on the lookout for 2009 prospective umpires

<u>11) Hotels</u>

*Looking for host hotels for SCIFL events

<u>12 Sponsorships</u>

*Working on sponsorships for 2009

*Once we get non profit status can start taking sponsors