

NCGSL MINUTES MAY 18, 2017

Meeting at offices of Progressive Engineering.

Present: Jack Miller, President, Deanna Adams, V.P & Team Xtreme, John Bates, Coventry, Elana Beebe, Ellington, Paul Carreira, West Hartford, Brian Dillon, Rocky Hill/Cromwell, Sean Dwyer, Ellington, Paul Higgins, Enfield, Kevin Mason, Newington, Tim McConnell, Enfield, Mark Nicolle, Hebron, Brian Oatway, East Hartford, Steve Turgeon, Tolland & Vernon, Tom Walsh,, Granby.

Presently several teams are forming. (See attached list Expected Teams).

As soon as towns know who their Head Coaches are they should e-mail the Division Directors **Names, e-mail address and tel. no.**

Deanna Adams--H.S. Division

Brian Oatway--M.S. Division

Jack Miller--12U

Coaches are reminded to secure home fields and compile **Player Availability Charts** to ensure they have adequate number of players for every game.

Scheduling

It was noted that 2 principal criteria are used in constructing game schedules;

1. Teams should not have to travel more than 1 hour for games
2. Every team should have an equal number of home and away games.
3. If an even number of teams, each conference should have an equal number of teams.

Because member teams are so widely scattered throughout northern and now central Ct., compromises are necessary in meeting the above goals. Thus some adjacent towns may not play each other.

Some teams may not play every team in their conference. Some teams may play more out of conference games than in-conference.

Chin Straps

Per Dave Rocha chin straps are not mandatory in summer ball. Thus the consensus was that chin straps would not be mandatory.

At Large Deadline has been extended to midnight May 31 to help teams in their staffing needs.

"Recruiting" Several teams are having difficulty securing enough players or key

position players, such as Pitcher or Catcher.

In the interest of promoting many teams thereby affording a softball opportunity to many hometown players, it was stated that teams could "recruit" necessary players PROVIDED NO VIABLE HOMETOWN PLAYER IS DENIED HER OPPORTUNITY AND PARITY OF COMPETITION IS NOT IMPAIRED.

Next meeting: 7 p.m. Thursday June 1 at Fastpitch Nation for Team Signups and payment in accordance with the attached Team Overview.

Jack Miller