Minutes of Hansen Division Meeting

November 4, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Darlene Pruden, Bruce Munro, Ted Shepherd

Frank Hanzmann, Gary Watts, Gord Stamp, Clare Knutson

Guest: Bill Donlevy

1. Review of the 2021 Hansen Division Season

Overall, a successful shortened season. Scheduling diamonds for playoffs were difficult but in the end our playoffs were completed and very competitive. Once again congratulations to the Use2Bees. Thank you to all the coaches and managers for working together and supporting each other.

2. Teams Report Card prepared by Ivan Whitson

Copies were sent to all the team leaders for review. Team leaders indicated the stats were no surprise. These stats were based on teams win/lose information and scores. There were no stats prepared based on score sheets from each game. We are still not sure why we need to submit score sheets after each game. There is no surprise that small ball has made a big difference to the game and women are very happy with the small ball.

3. Comments from the survey, and players

Division Coordinator reviewed the survey that was handed out at the end of the year. These comments were based on approximately 20 people from the Hansen Division as the survey was handed out too late in the season and some teams were already done. Comments were as follows:

- Better balls for women
- Playoffs should be completed by the end of August
- Scheduling and allocation of diamonds should be done early
- Division should have their own rules
- More tournaments at our diamonds

During the season the Division Coordinator did get some complaints from players that were discussed with coaches and discussed at the meeting as a whole to see how we can deal with these issues in the future.

4. Selectors for 2022

Bob Grimstead has decided he will not coach next year. Carrie Runnalls has volunteered to be a selector next year and coach a team. Janet Cruthers will continue to assist Gord Stamp, Darlene Pruden will assist Bruce Munro and Dwayne Brown will assist Ted Shepherd. Gary Watts, Frank Hanzmann and Clare Knutson will also continue as selectors/coaches.

5. Recruitment of players, players who didn't return to ESSPA in 2021.

ESSPA registrations are down by at least 100 players so we are going to need to work on recruiting new players and trying to bring back some of our players. The Hansen Division lost about 25-30 players from 2019. A list of those players was given to Gord Stamp and Tracie Campbell. They will work at contacting these players and hopefully bringing them back into the league.

We really need to get the word out this year about ESSPA and the addition of our 2 new divisions.

6. Hansen Rule Changes

The Board would like the Division Coordinators to get together and develop common rules for all the divisions to post on the website and then each division can also have their own rules under their division on the website. The coaches don't feel this is necessary because we review our rules on a yearly basis and we follow SPN rules with exceptions. What we need to clarify, is are we a co-ed division or a mixed division because the rules do differ.

7. Other business

- Division Coordinator updated the group on the AGM
- Can we ask the board to review the registration form to include emergency contact information and go back to asking the player what his/her 2 preferred positions are instead of just infield/outfield.
- We hope we can do evaluations outdoor in 2022 and ensure that selectors/coaches are involved in the evaluation process. It was felt some players this season weren't evaluated correctly and placed in the wrong division.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled by the Division Coordinator in late January.

Meeting ended at 9:00 p.m.