GVSA board meeting minutes – September 12, 2011

Present: John Hall, Josh Sheldon, Steve Manett, Ken Lovell, Lawrence Murray, Jack Wolf, Sue Crabtree

Guest: Greg Besteman, Erwin VanElst - Rangers

: Rodger Garner - Gazelle Sports.

Meeting called to order by John Hall at 8:39

Previous meeting minutes approved.

Officer's reports.

President – John reviewed the history of MSYSA's correspondence to GVSA regarding the Alliance Recreational League as well as feedback he has had from member clubs. MSYSA's concerns were about the definition of the league and its boundaries. Discussion centered on the proposed league by-laws which seemed contradictory to a rec league, feedback from clubs which has been mostly negative, and that GVSA has considered a similar program. Greg and Erwin also provided their input which echoed other clubs we have heard from. A motion was passed to have Jack Wolf draft a response to be forwarded to MSYSA noting the GVSA position. It will be that we do not support the formation of this new recreational league. Members will vote on the proposal after it is written.

New business:

Rodger Garner brought a proposal from Gazelle Sports involving sponsorship of the Elite divisions of GVSA. It would incorporate discounts to GVSA members, game balls to teams, use of a community room at Gazelle, and a contribution to GVSA to use as we see fit. Gazelle would be allowed access to send emails to GVSA players on a limited basis. After some debate it was decided that Lawrence would draft a counter proposal.

Sue brought up issues with late registrations and paperwork. It was decided to instruct her to adhere to our deadlines.

A discussion was had regarding the possibility of raising fee to change game schedules in order to discourage this. We decided to table further talk until Jake has a chance to research just how much revenue this involves.

A concern has been brought up regarding method of payment to referees and whether this should be in cash or if a check is acceptable. It was noted that the referee association asks for cash. We allowed that a check would be acceptable although in the event the check is no good, strong action would follow. Jack and John will follow up on this with a particular club that has paid in this manner.

Jake brought up that the financial information he receives from Whiteware is often not in a format that he can use. We will research different software and the possibility of moving tasks away from Whiteware. Also the need to develop a calendar of due dates was noted.

Next meeting October 3, 2011, 8:30 at MVP Spot (32nd St.)

Adjourned 11:00 Submitted, Steve Manett, secretary