

## MBUA Meeting Minutes - April 13, 2008

- \* Called to order at 10:12AM
- \* Minutes from March 9 meeting accepted: Kehoe / Bentson
- \* Financial Report accepted: Walker / Peters
- \* 'Post Game Handshake'
  - More involvement from the Site Directors, ADs or coaches during the handshake is needed
  - UIC (plate umpire) will determine from what vantage point the MBUA mechanic for viewing the handshake will be implemented
  - Discussion: DelGrosso, Martinelli
- \* Helmet rule
  - Leagues may adopt a 'helmet rule' for league play or coaches agree to helmet use for base coaches at the 'lineup card exchange', that umpires will enforce
  - Discussion: DelGrosso, Peters, Bentson, Walker, Martinelli, Mason
- \* "Curts Pitch for ALS"
  - Event will take place August 30 and 31 - raffles for umpires as well - 11PM to 7AM will be manned by the SSUA
  - By July, 2 hour shifts of at least 4 umpires will be asked for - food will be available to umpires
  - Discussion : Bentson, Evans
- \* Interpreters Report
  - 2008 season changes
  - Discussion: Walker, Evans, DelGrosso
- \* Dress Uniform
  - Bentson letter referenced - responsibility for monitoring proper dress code (Assignors? / Local associations?)
  - Tabled for future Agenda Item                      Matthews/Mason
  - Discussion: Bentson, Martinelli, Dimare, Walker, Andrade, Matthews, Peters, Evans)
- \* Nominations
  - Steve Martinelli – VP: Chabot / Evans
  - Joe Peters – Interpreter: Dimare / Matthews
  - Bryan Andrade - Sec / Treas: Kehoe / Dimare
  - All accepted
- \* Webmaster
  - Maintenance fees (from Dave Magee), Webmaster fees (we will need to determine)
  - Discussion: Dickinson, Dimare, Martinelli, Andrade, Kehoe, Bentson, Walker
- \* Service Award
  - Discussion: Andrade, Dimare, Walker
- \* Fee structure
  - 3% increase was approved by the MIAA
  - Tabled for future Agenda Item: Walker / Dimare
  - Discussion: Evans, Walker, Bentson, Andrade, Martinelli, Dimare, DelGrosso
- \* Next MBUA Meeting date
  - Tentative September 7 and or October 26
- \* Certifying Agent
  - Set standards by which all umpires are measured (evaluated / promoted)
  - Tabled for future Agenda Item: Walker / Matthews
  - Discussion: Walker, Martinelli, Matthews, Dimare
- \* Adjourn 11:47 - Martinelli / Matthews