

President's Meeting
March 10, 2024
Host – BAKER LL

Leagues Present: Tri-County, South Walton, DeFuniak Springs, Freeport, Paxton, Baker, & Challenger

Leagues Absent: Niceville, Shalimar, Destin

Staff members present – Ellen, Windell, Mike Wong, Tonya, Bill Vikara, Jessi Vikara.

1. Meeting Called to Order by Windell at 2:39 pm.
2. Reading of the Last Minutes. Minutes are posted on the new website:
www.fld1.org
3. Old Business
 - a. ASAP- Deadline for these are March, 22, 2024.
 - b. By-Laws – Good for 1 year – cannot play with your by-laws without the approval of the DA unless a waiver of a rule is requested. The request must go to the Charter Committee.
 - c. Constitutions – if you have not submitted your constitution, please get them sent to SE Region and copy DA on the email. – South Walton, Destin, Shalimar, & Tri -County need to submit to Windell.
 - d. A copy of your by-laws and constitution MUST be in your concession stand readily available for any district administration or visitors to access.
 - e. Combined forms – signed and approved by DA before season starts. DA has not received any request so far.

4. New Business

A. Selection of Tournament Sites:

PM BB	FREEPORT
PM SB	FREEPORT
8-9 BB	SOUTH WALTON
8-10 BB	FREEPORT
9-11 BB	SOUTH WALTON
10-12 BB	DEFUNIAK SPRINGS
50/70 BB	FREEPORT
JR/SR BB	TBD
8-10 SB	PAXTON
9-11 SB	SOUTH WALTON
10-12 SB	PAXTON
JR/SR SB	TBD

- a. District 1 will host Softball Sectionals, 10-12 BB Sectionals
 - i. 8-10 BB & 9-11 BB Sectionals will be in Tallahassee
- b. MAJOR BB STATE – July 19th – 21st in Defuniak LL
- c. Must conduct site inspections if hosting a tournament to verify pitching distance, height of mound, distance of bases, batter “eye width” – (center 24’, L-12’ and R-12’)
- d. Yearly Assessments due April 1, 2024
- e. Tournament Packets need to be started if hosting a tournament (District, Section, and State Packets)
- f. Regional Roundtable Information
 - i. D2 waiver for boundaries – takes effect 2025
 - ii. Players ages 7 & under can play any league without boundary stipulation.
 - 1. League Boundaries apply for ages 8-16
 - 2. Where a player plays at league age 7, will determine their HOME league.

- g. Oct 1st of each year is when background checks and child protection training resets.
 - i. Can do a group training for the Child Protection – get a training form, fill out with everyone in attendance and submit.
 - h. Walk-up music. – NOT ALLOWED at tournaments at ALL.
 - i. Leagues can choose to do it for their regular season games, BUT Windell has asked that it not be done when Interleague Play
 - i. ASAP Plan changes in 2025
 - j. Umpires are encouraged to sign up for Umpire registry
 - k. A rule clarification – you don't have to slide into base.
 - i. If player has ball to make play, runner must try to give themselves up by going around or sliding to avoid tag.
5. Notes from Windell from Opening days:
- a. Umpire need to check bats and equipment
 - b. On deck batters – only on 50/70 and above and must stay on side that is closes to their dugout.
 - c. Players must stay in dugout
 - d. Interleague games – only 3 coaches allowed.
 - i. MP gets 4 unless the home park provides a neutral pitcher
 - e. Coaches must stay near gate of their dugout
 - f. In between ½ innings only 1 batter (lead off) allowed outside of the dugout to swing bat.
 - g. NO JEWELRY – only medical alert
6. Bill touched on mound visits/pitchers.
- a. Play call bands CANNOT be on belt – must be on arm. Pitcher must wear on non-pitching arm.
 - b. Between innings is when mound needs to fixed.
 - i. If during the inning, it counts as a mound visit.
 - c. NO sunglasses on top of/on bill of the hat while pitching
 - d. Sleeves on pitcher – only 1 has to be removed (pitching arm) – Can't be white, grey, or atomic yellow.

Next Meeting will be April 14th and hosted by South Walton.

Meeting adjourned: 4:01 (SW Motioned, Baker seconds)