

## President's Meeting

May 4, 2025

Host – Freeport LL

Leagues Present: Tri-County, Baker, Freeport, Destin, Challenger, Panama City, Niceville, South Walton, DeFuniak Springs

Leagues Absent: Paxton, Shalimar

Staff members present – Windell Carnley, Ellen McLean, Mike Wong, Tonya Evanchyk, Jess Vikara, Bill Vikara, Ron Covey, Mike Bellino

- Meeting Called to Order by Windell at 2:39 pm.
- Reading of the Last Minutes. Minutes are posted on the new website: [www.fld1.org](http://www.fld1.org)
  - a. Destin made a motion to approve last meetings minutes, Defuniak Second – April minutes approved
- Old Business:
  - a. Check Data Center – If you owe LL money ensure you pay ASAP
    - i. If no money owed, make sure info is updated and correct.
    - ii. Diamond training, Abuse Awareness, & Concussion training are required for all sanctioned tournament teams. Required for ALL 3 COACHES in the binder
    - iii. Tournament packets need to be sent out for special games.
- New Business
  - A. League Reports – All leagues are doing well, seasons have been a success and all winding down.
  - B. Special Games – Tournament Schedule posted by May 10<sup>th</sup>.
    - a. There will be a challenger game between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> games of the day. All Teams need to be present to watch – not warming up.
  - C. Tournament Play-
    - a. Looking at tournaments that have 6 or more participating teams will go to a pool play style instead of double elimination
    - b. Modified double elimination for 5 or less teams – this means no IF game

- c. There will be NO SOFTBALL SECTIONALS THIS YEAR. Winning district teams will go straight to state.
- d. Sanctioned Tournament Binders are DUE May 24<sup>th</sup> in Freeport at Special Games tournament – NO EXCEPTIONS.
- e. Tournament Affidavit MUST be signed by President, Player Agent, and Manager.
  - i. If your league needs help with completing affidavit or the proper way to assemble tournament binder, reach out to Amanda Degraaf.
- f. Windell would like for players in District 1 to come up with a Pin Design that represents our district for future years pin trading. Would like to announce the winner at the state tournament in July.
- g. Discussion of having 1 Sanctioned Tournament Managers Meeting for all divisions to go over rules prior to the first tournament kicking off. This would allow for more time for questions and clarifications on any rules.
  - i. Would be held at a central location – 1 for baseball and 1 for softball
- h. Recap of State Admin meeting – marketing and growing leagues –
  - i. Some things other leagues have had success with is lower age recruitment, social media posts, public outings, LL nights at minor league parks, offering a gear closet for equipment needed by families.

Motion made by DeFuniak LL to adjourn, second by Niceville LL –

Meeting adjourned at 4:40

Next meeting will be in October