

From MAAD Commissioner Wayne Morse

My apologies to make a little delay as my schedule is full of running around here and there so grab that chance to make my report for each of you to read what results NSAD had on the weekend of August 2-5 at Ontario, California with 26 men's, 16 women's and 4 Coed teams. The fields are so marvelous with five different looks like Fenway, Polo Grounds, Durham, Forbes and Packewcett Fields. The tournament went well with a little behind schedules. The men's division championship goes to Maryland Eagles, the women's division championship goes to Maryland Timberfest and The Coed Division goes to Sacramento. The attendance was very good as numbers players more than fans.

I attended three different meetings in two days. First meeting was with all regional presidents' roundtable and we discussed about two-way communication with NSAD officers as have lack of communications lately and want to improve these area in priority. And want to change few issues like registration forms, money prizes, audiograms, etc. The meeting goes well and lasted about two hours and half then attended to the Board of directors meeting with NSAD Officers. We discussed about many issues and got all words in order.

The motion are made and passed.

1. Moved that audiograms test must be submitted by July 1st with amended that we must base on the original audiograms it. The motion was **PASSED** with 2/3 and carried
2. Moved that the players who reside in Virginia shall be allowed to play for either ESAD or SSAD. **FAILED**
3. Moved that we remove the team prize and give each men/women regional championship in each regional (\$800.00) once they show up at NSAD Tournament. (**TABLED** until the motion regarding the player's fee has been determined)
4. Moved that NSAD donated \$1,500 to the Youth Deaf Sports Festival for its 25th Annual in the year of 2007 with amended that provides softball training. **PASSED**
5. Moved that NSAD sent their respresenatatives and donate \$1,000 to Dummy Hoy Softball Classis (high school) that will be held at Riverside, CA. **PASSED**
6. NSAD got the request letter from MAAD that MAAD will be hosting their regional tournament on the second weekend of August in 2008 for their 50th Anniversary and another letter that MAAD Tournament will be hosting effective in 2009 and approved with both motions but will working with NSAD officers to make some compromises how it work for teams when playing tournament starting in 2009.

The next day at the softball council meeting, it took the meeting lasting 9 hours to go through hard processing. I was so glad that everything goes well with few small/big struggling. Gave the silence of memory of Mike Cook who passed away recently. So the future sites in NSAD will be in Eastern states (New Jersey, New York and Baltimore Maryland due of a better field park and facility, 2008 in NWSAD and 2009 could be for either Omaha, Olathe and Denver as MAAD Territory.

There are having improvement of NSAD bylaws, 19 proposals by law committee members and have impressed by having the law committee members with 10 others proposals by others, rezoning issues and Hall of Fame Guidelines development and will be presented during the 2007 Softball Council meeting and will be effective in 2008.

Secretary-Treasurer Sheri Mize gave her financial reports that were audited, done with all reports from 2002 to 2005 with a CPA and was instructed from CPA person to make it improvement in the reports so she learned alots so make few changes to have an invoice form to pay out with cash for team prizes, umpires, stats crews, etc. and would like to develop better system where we could gather the fees with not many miscs in that reports

There are few important motions to tell you.

1. Pittsburgh Issue... Pittsburgh women's team participated in the CAAD decision and according to NSAD bylaws; they were supposed to participate in the ESAD for the 2 years (2006-07) on a trail basis. The petition was signed by Pittsburgh people and being brought up to NSAD officers last year by a Pittsburgh person. The officers recalled this petition and remembered saying that it is invalid due to most of the signatures are not NSAD members so put CAAD on one year probation with amended and if they commit any violation within 5 years, they will be fined \$ 500.00 so it was **PASSED** and carried.
2. The player's fee was reduced from \$15.00 to \$5.00 and it was **PASSED**
3. The motion was moved that allow up to 1 CODAs per team (men and women) effective next year with understanding that he/she must posses an international CODA certification and it will be on a trail basis for 2 years. Amended that he/she can't run for any NSAD Officers' positions. **PASSED** and carried.
4. The motion moved that NSAD hold 8 regional rooms for the regional presidents/commissioners every year at headquarter to be effective next year with amended that the regional officers make some kind of payment agreement with the hotel by July 15. **PASSED** and carried.
5. The motion moved to have the executive board meeting moving to Sunday. **FAILED**
6. The motion moved that we open a forum to determine some kind of disciplinary action upon NSAD officers for not abiding the NSAD bylaws. **PASSED**
7. The motion moved that NSAD officers have the rights to investigate a player in question on regarding of possession of at least one driver license and suspend that player, coach and manager for one year for the following year and disqualify the team's title and prize from the recent tournament. **PASSED**

The other motions were moved but it is not big to give more details.

The New Officers for 2006 – 2008

Commissioner Mark Bella from NWSAD

Deputy Commissioner Dawn Schriver from ESAD

Secretary-Treasurer Sheri Mize as reelected

Softball Information Director Kevin Ryan as ACL

Softball Tournament Director Vance Rewolinski as reelected

I was proud of Sioux Falls men's team as placed in 5th place with Russ Swanson in first team all star awards and Minnesota Running Rebels in 3rd place with Mollie Easter and Michele Malcolm as first team all start awards, also Angela Kuehn, Kristina Gray, Grace Loughrey and Marla Hanson as second team all start awards. In Coed Division Omaha Huskers was in third place and was awarded with team sportsmanship. Colorado 5280's men team and Sioux Falls women's team were playing but out of the tournament so still give them big applause to be part of MAAD teams with high efforts.

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Commissioner