

NYSSA

Board Meeting

September 19, 2025

- . **Attendees:** All Managers and Interim Managers and Executive Board Members were in attendance. In addition, guests included J. Birbiglia, N. Calla.
- . **Minutes:** Were presented and A. McCann pointed out that a few items that were discussed were not in the Minutes. C. Schafer agreed to incorporate his comments and amend the Minutes.
- . **Financials:** C. Schafer presented the Financial Status as of 9/19/2025. A number of large bills will be forthcoming over the next 60 days: balance of umpire fees, awards jackets and shirts, and annual awards luncheon. No surprises, they will be sizable, but expected.
- . **Post Season Tournament:** G. Hennigan and Cha Cha agreed there is no need for a championship 2-out-of-3 set of games.

So Monday , September 22nd, the 4th and 5th place in both the American Division and the National Division will start play. On Wantagh "B" Tigers will play the Red Sox while on "C" the Braves will play the Mets in a best 2-out-of-3. If a third game is required to determine who will continue, it will be on Friday, September 26th at the same fields.

On September 29h, the Yankees will play the winner of the Tigers/Red Sox game on "C", and the Dodgers will play on "B" the winner of the Braves/Mets games.

Also the 2nd and 3rd place teams will play on Wantagh "A", Brewers will play Angels on Cantiague "A", Marlins will play the Cubs.

Wednesday, October 1st will be held open for the tie breaker third games.

Monday, October 6th will be the semi-finals.

Wednesday, October 8th will be third game tie-breaker.

Friday, October 10th, the finals will commence, teams to be announced.

- . **Fall All Star Game:** Scheduled for Tuesday, October 21st at Burns Park, game starts at 4 PM, Rain-Out day, Thursday, October 23rd. Town of Oyster Bay to supply refreshments, hamburgers and hot dogs.

Each team is to designate 3 players. Managers will be G. Hennigan, National Division and Cha Cha, American Division. They will select their coaches. Game duration to be decided by Managers. Jules will arrange 2 umpires to attend.
- . **Players Evaluation Forms:** A. Cappelli to prepare a blank form for each team to list players' names and five categories, and total to be rated. Those completed forms to be submitted to C. Schafer.
- . **Annual Luncheon:** All set for the October 30th event at Stewart Manor Country Club. All teams submitted a list of attendees and payment except for Brewers' M. Scotto.

. **Managers Meeting Results:** A. McCann briefed the Executive Board on the results of the Managers only meeting. After some initial platitudes about what a great job the Executive Board is doing, he said that by a vote of 8 to 2, the Managers voted that the Executive Board should have no vote on matters pertaining to the game and incidents on the field of play. The Managers' position was that on those matters the Managers would be the only ones voting and the Commissioner would be used to break ties (the other Executive Board members would not vote).

Jules responded to the Managers' position, speaking for the entire Executive Board. First he reminded the Managers that the 170 players in NYSSA apply to the League to play, completing an application to the League. Only after the draft and teams designated are the Managers in control of the players for game-related activities.

Jules told the Managers that if that's what they want the Executive Board, including the Commissioner, will resign and the Managers can completely run the League the way they see fit. Jules tasked Cha Cha as the most senior Manager to discuss this matter and let the Executive Board know how they want to proceed.

After a few side-bar discussions by the Managers and the Executive Board, it was agreed, given the Executive Board will have 4 members plus the Commissioner, that the Managers could have 4 Managers designated to participate with the Executive Board Members to decide all on-field issues/disputes, including administering the Rules of Conduct; in case of a tie vote, 4 to 4, the Commissioner will cast the deciding vote. The 4 Managers to participate will be Cha Cha and Gene Hennigan (nominated by the Managers) and John Mac and Sammy Q (nominated by the Executive Board) So those 8 people will decide all game/field issues going forward.

. **Next Meeting:** Friday , October 17th, 10 AM at Cantiague Park.