**NEW YORK SENIOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**

**JANUARY 24, 2019**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner, Joe Ditaranto. All Board members were present.

The Minutes from the November 30th Board Meeting were accepted

The Financial Report was presented by Joe Ditaranto and accepted by the Board.

**The Executive Board met December 12th**.  The objective was to remove any and all appearances of **Conflicts of Interest,** which may appear to exist among Board members.  The Executive Board decided the following;

              1 ~ Executive Board members are prohibited from holding the title as Team Manager or Assistant Manager.

              2 ~ Team Managers and Assistant Managers are prohibited from holding the title as Executive Board member.

As the result of the above changes, Joe Ditaranto stepped down from his position as interim manager of the Tigers, and Cha Cha resigned his title as Deputy Commissioner.

**NYSSA Website.** The Board decided to;

              Include the Board Meeting minutes on the Website.

              Bring league sponsors status up to date.

              Change wording on Player Application pertaining to late player registrations.

              Include a statement on the Website, encouraging player feedback to NYSSA Board of     Directors via the leagues E-Mail address.

**2019 Player Registrations** ~ 95 returning players have sent in their registration forms. 12 new player applications have been received. Jules furnished a detailed fact sheet pertaining the new players. At the February Board Meeting, all Board members will receive fact sheets pertaining to all player applications received .

**2019 Playing Rules** ~ the Rules Committee provided a DRAFT of the 2019 Rules to all Board members for review and comments. The Board needs to finalize the 2019 Rules at the February meeting.

**Player Evaluation Fact Sheets ~** Jack Battaglia, Chairman of the Player Evaluation Committee, provided detailed player evaluations for every 2018 NYSSA player. These sheets are a helpful tool for the managers on DRAFT DAY.

**Sponsor Plaques ~** Bernie Rosen prepared Sponsor plaques to be distributed this spring. 5 Plaques to Bristal Assisted Living, and 1 each to Mamma Teresa, Marty Zipkens, Vinny Troiano, Town of Hempstead and Nassau County Senior Services Fund.

**New Business ~ Rule Change ~** NYSSA players needed to have 3 years in the league, before qualifying to manager a team. The Board voted to reduce the years to one (1) year.

**New Team Manager ~** the Board voted to accept **Joseph Gavin** as a team manager. He is replacing Joe Ditaranto, who was the interim manager of the Tigers.

The next Board meeting will be on February 15th, 2019