



# CALIFORNIA BASEBALL UMPIRES ASSOCIATION, INC.

## BASEBALL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES Sunday, January 28, 2007 @ Taix's Restaurant, Los Angeles

Prior to general meeting and lunch being served: Breakout meetings of Unit Presidents, Secretaries, and Instructional Chairmen took place.

1. **President Frank Villar** called general meeting to order at 1:41 p.m.
2. **Flag salute** – Led by Jeff McCoy - Coachella Valley Unit.  
Orange County President Pierre Bertolino spoke about the passing of Frank Lerner, and a moment of silence was observed.
3. **Welcome by President Villar:**
  - Introduction of officers at the head table.
  - Self-introductions of each affiliated member present also performed.  
Applauded the turnout of 55 members at this meeting.
4. **Minutes** - of June 4, 2006 Baseball Executive Council Meeting - Approved as written/presented – Orange County moved, Long Beach second. Passed
5. ***Date and time of next meeting – Sunday, June 3, 2007 at 12:00 pm at Taix.***  
Notices to be E-Mailed/Mailed to affiliated units.

### **Business of the Association:**

6. **Secretary-Treasurer Bob McQueen** presented the 2006 Audit/Budget report. After a motion by Foothill Citrus and second by Orange County, report was approved.  
Bob then reported on the following:
  - Purchase of American Flags
  - Website – Update and additions
  - NASO Membership – Pros / Cons – implored those present to go back to their units and discuss with membership, future discussion at EC meetings  
Also asked Orange County unit, who has subscribed to the program, to possibly update us at next EC Meeting (in June).
  - Los Angeles Unit, sponsored a MLB Umpire Camp (one day); next scheduled for 11/3/07 – Need 60 umpires to hold - cost \$25.00 to \$35.00
  - Also praised all present – Great turnout – Get more unit people involved, invite to this meeting, see how we function / operate

## **Minutes continued:**

6. **Instructional Chairman Ken Allan**, discussed the 2007 mechanics addition, **“Summon Batter Procedure”** (found on page 79, member book)  
Ken also discussed the post-game ejection procedures and the backing of its implementation by the Southern Section office.  
Power point presentation on the 2007 NFHS rule changes  
Stressing:
  - 8 players vs 9 players
  - Ball vs Balk (6-2-1e)
  - New Mechanic – Signals – **B** on page 75 – member book – (Pointing to Pitcher)
  - Unsafe field conditions – No Play – by order of state interpreter
7. **President Frank Villar**, discussed the ongoing fees negotiations, which will be presented to the CIF-SS fees committee on February 7th; and then at a final SS Executive Council meeting in April. Proposal highlights include game fee increases, mileage rate increases, school vouchers, head coach ejections, dressing (facilities), and security accommodations

## **Additional Business / Items Covered:**

8. **President Villar** added comments on the NASO membership proposal (interest in) and stated he will continue to gather more information. Orange County has joined as a unit
9. **Instructional Chairman Ken Allan** touched on the use of online testing now being implemented in some states (Alabama) and the options involved.
10. **Secretary-Treasurer McQueen** requested and was given unanimous approval to make a memorial donation to the passing of Frank Lerner of Orange County Unit to the Make A Wish Foundation - \$100. on behalf of the CBUA
11. It was mentioned that their will be elections for two (2) Board positions opening up at June EC Meeting - (3 year term)
12. President adjourned meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted