## CIAC SOFTBALL COMMITTEE MINUTES October 31, 2017

Members present: Cyndie Adamski, Beth Smith, Scott Aresco, Donna Vavrinec, Hank Koritkoski, Judy Deeb, Bob Lehr

<u>Tournament Report</u> – All divisions were well played and there were no significant incidents. The one issue that arose involved an infielder colliding with a cameraman. Language will be put in the packet stating that no cameras will be permitted on the field.

Donna stated that the Arbiter System was of great benefit to her in the assignment of officials as well as the timely payments to the umpires that worked the CIAC tournament games. Donna did ask that the Arbiter System be adjusted to show only umpires be listed on Arbiter. She stated that there are many names on Arbiter that are not umpires.

Scott related that the coaches committee of the CHSCA met recently and discussed whether two or three umpires should be used for CIAC tournament games from the quarter-finals on. Beth stated that the committee has agreed to use three umpires for the tournament starting with the quarter-final games. Beginning with the 2020-21 season, umpires working the CIAC tournament games in which three umpires are required will need to be certified to work those contests. Hank and Donna will develop a certification program that will be used. Scott made a motion for the certification process to occur as previously stated, second by Cyndie. Motion passed.

The committee expressed its gratitude for organizing and managing the 2017 tournament in a first class manner.

The committee briefly discussed the fifteen run rule for playoffs. That will be studied during the 2018 tournament with discussion of that topic at the next regular softball committee meeting.

The committee examined the packet and made several changes to the 2018 tournament packet. Those changes will be reflected in that packet.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.