

**NATIONAL FASTPITCH COACHES ASSOCIATION
COACH EMERITI COMMITTEE MEETING**

December 4th, 2015

Marriott Marquis – Atlanta, GA

In attendance:

Yvette Girouard, chair
Dee Abrahamson
Dianne Baker
Cindy Bristow
Gary Bryce
Bennie Daigle
Judy Groff
Celeste Knierim
Donna Martin
Gerry Mauro
Rick Pauley
Gerry Pinkston
Kathy Veroni
Carol Bruggeman (NFCA Interim Executive Director)

NFCA Interim Executive Director Carol Bruggeman called the meeting to order at 11:05 am.

1. Introductions

2. Meeting Summary

- A. Update of Coach Emeriti List
- B. Review of Coach Emeriti Committee Minutes from 2014 Convention.
- C. Review of NFCA Recent Educational Items.
 - i. Coaching Tools (Softball Excellence) Package
 - ii. Tip Tuesday on Twitter
 - iii. NFCA Website Education Page
 - iv. Speakers Bureau
 - v. NFCA Coaches Clinic

D. Convention

- i. Suggestions for 2016 Coach Emeriti Convention Panel.
- ii. Group appreciated having different divisions represented and emphasized importance of continuing diversity on the Panel.
- iii. Recognition of Hall of Fame Coaches. (ie; earlier recognition at the convention so younger coaches are aware, have a booth in exhibit hall, TBT tweets)
- iv. Have a session on the history of the sport/emphasize history.

E. Opportunities & Goals for 2016

- i. NFCA Sponsorship Ideas – gather information and contacts from Emeriti Group.
- ii. Leverage relationship with vendors (ie; speed dating, time on stage in front of members, space, etc.)
- iii. NFCA Credit Card to get “cash back” donations to NFCA.

F. Other Business

- i. NFCA will be moving toward electronic/green at the convention by using App and not providing many paper handouts.
- ii. Group enjoyed having the text message service at Convention.
- iii. Discussed future conventions should have the banquet in the hotel if at all possible.

3. **Action Items**

- A. Update Coach Emeriti roster and have on-going communication throughout the year.
- B. Create, send, and implement questionnaire to maintain database of talents for Coach Emeriti group.
- C. Develop a time line for articles/tips for NFCA education.
- D. Start regional mentoring programs.
- E. Obtain coaches for Hall of Fame panel at 2016 Convention.
- F. Research legal representation for NFCA coaches.

4. **Adjournment-** Meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.