

# Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association

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CLINIC MARCH 14-15: The Clinic plans are proceeding on schedule. We hope you are planning to get the day off and join us for a top-notch clinic for baseball coaches, players, and fans. It is open to your ball team if they are interested in learning a lot of baseball.

We are going to have seminar-type sessions once again, called Mini-Clinics. Every session will be offered twice. The High School students will have sessions by themselves with speakers talking just to them, demonstrating, etc. We hope to have more high school students in attendance.

Admission to the Clinic will be \$10.00 this year. This is for all members. It will include all meals, a notebook favor, and the opportunity to hear many good speakers. If you are not a member of the association it will cost you \$20.00 for the clinic. This will include your membership. High school student rates are still the same \$3.00 for full clinic or \$2.00 per day. If they want the meals, it will cost high school students \$10.00 for the full clinic.

Raising the clinic fee to \$10.00 for members was necessitated by inflation. It is costing the association more money to operate every year due to inflation. Such items as postage, plaques, printing, motel rooms, food mileage, and more speakers coming from a greater distance made it necessary for the Board of Directors to establish the \$10.00 fee for members. This fee does include your meals and a notebook favor. \$2.00 of the fee will go to help the clinic speakers fee. Everyone will have to pay the \$10.00 fee.

## CLINIC SPEAKERS:

TOM MEYER: The University of Wisconsin baseball coach is one of the top young college coaches in the country. He is recognized for his knowledge of the game and has many speaking engagements for Federation of Christian Athletics.

DON LEHNART: He has played first and third base in the major leagues for five years and played outfield during the same time period. His life time batting average is .271. His best year was in 1953 with a .317 batting average. He is now Midwest scout for the Boston Red Sox. Don coached first base for the Red Sox from 1970-73.

LOU YACINICH: Coach Yacinich won the Region XI JUCO Championship. Lou was a successful high school coach for 7 years and has rebuilt the Grand View Viking baseball program into a championship caliber of baseball. Lou has been a member of the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association since its conception.

DINNER SPEAKER MORLEY FRASER: Former football and baseball coach and associate professor of physical education at Albion College. He is presently Assistant to the President. He averages 140 speaking engagements per year and is one of the tops in the country. He has spoken at many clinics, professional meetings, civic events, and just recently spoke at the Regional Athletic Directors Convention in Wichita. It will be worth the price of admission just to hear him speak.



**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:** The membership drive is still on. We now have 210 members. This is 10 more than last year at this time. In 1970 we had 135 members and in 1969 we had 127 in November. Our goal this year is 450, which is 50 more than last year's goal which we exceeded. Make sure all your baseball coaching friends belong, and also get the umpires that work your games to become members. We need their support also.

**REPRESENTATIVE BALLOT:** Enclosed you will find a voting ballot for your District Representative. Make sure you return it within ten days after you receive your ballot. We need your votes.

Also enclosed (on the back side) you will find a ballot for the District Coach in your district. Select one coach in your district who you feel deserves the District vote for the Coach of the Year Award. At the bottom you should vote for the College Coach of the Year. One vote for the two year college coach and one vote for the four-year college coach.

**CYCLONE BASEBALL CAMP:** A baseball school is being scheduled for the Christmas break at Iowa State University. The tentative dates are Dec. 26th through December 30th. The school is open to any youngster except those who are enrolled in their senior year in high school or are a high school graduate. The camp is being run by the Cyclone baseball coaches. This is the fifth year for the camp. If you are interested write to Coach Rierson, Baseball Coach, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa.

**LONGEVITY AWARD:** Any coach with over 15 years of coaching baseball who has not received an award should send his name to the Executive Secretary with his record and places he has coached. We will honor these men at our Annual Clinic Awards Banquet with a 15-20 or 25 year plaque. Please respond if you are one of the above. This must be done no later than Jan. 4, 1974. I need this information before the brochure goes to the printer.

**200 WIN CLUB:** All coaches who have won over 200 games please send in your name and your record to the Executive Secretary. We would like to print the names of those coaches who have achieved 200 plus wins. We will have a 300 win, and 400 win, and a 500 and over win club. This information is needed for a future newsletter. Send in your updated record to the Secretary. Coaches will receive a certificate for this accomplishment at the Seventh Annual Clinic March 14-15, 1975.

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING:** Enclosed you will find the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held in Iowa City November 9th. Much was accomplished and the results will benefit baseball in Iowa. There was a great turn out for the meeting. The members also enjoyed the Iowa vs. Wisconsin football game. Many thanks to Coach Duane Banks and Athletic Director Bump Elliott for their hospitality.

**NORWAY FALL CHAMPIONS:** Congratulations are in order to Jim Van Scoyoc and his NORWAY TIGERS baseball team for winning the fall baseball title. Jim will be a clinic speaker. Congratulations are also in order to Granville -Spalding team who won the summer crown and second in the Fall.

**DUBUQUE SENIOR GIRLS WIN STATE SUMMER TOURNAMENT.** Congratulations are in order to Art Wiegand, and his Dubuque Senior girls for winning the softball championship at Fort Dodge. Art is a member of our coaches Association.

**DUES TIME FOR THE A.A.C.B.C.:** A note to remind you that membership dues are due for this organization. Send your dues to A.A.C.B.C. Les Miller, Baseball Coach, Univ. of Ill., Chicago Circle, Box 4348, Chicago, Ill. 60680

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**ANNUAL A.A.C.B.C. MEETING AND CLINIC:** This will be held in Washington D.C. Thursday, January 2, 1975--Sunday January 5, 1975. The convention will be held in Mayflower Hotel in Washington D.D.. This is the 30th annual meeting of the A.A.C.B.C.. The clinic schedule includes a special program for umpires, and division meetings for high school, Jr. College N.A.I.A. and N.C.A.A. college coaches. For more information call or write Less Miller, Baseball Coach College Circle.

**FILMS:** You might want to order now. Now is the time for you to start thinking about renting films. Listed below are some places you might get them.

1. Major League Baseball, Film Divison, 1650 Broadway, New York, N.Y.10019
  - a/ World Series Films, 1968-74 **FEATURE FILMS:**
    - a/ The Now Career.
    - b/ 50 years of Baseball memories
    - c/ All Star Batting Tips
    - d/ Tools of Ignorance
    - c/ Baseball and Drugs
  - b/ All Star Films, 1970-74

**HONOR ROLL OF COACHES:** Listed below are the Conference champions and coaches. Congratulations to this group of hard working coaches.

CONFERENCE	SCHOOL	COACH
LITTLE NINE	Panora-Linden	Hal Rossow
WEST CENTRAL	Prairie (Gowrie)	Dennis McCulla
NORTH EAST IOWA	Decorah	Dennis Olejniczak
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY	Dubuque Hempstead	Dick Core
BIG NINE	Waterloo West	Jerry Shinn
EASTERN IOWA HAWKEYE	Durant	Steve Reinert
IOWA RIVER VALLEY	Hubbard	Estel Alexander
SIOUX VALLEY	Aurelia & Alta	Paul McFarland & Al Koster
OMAHA-COUNCIL BLUFFS METRO	Thomas Jefferson	Tom Vincent
QUAD CITY METRO	Davenport West	Don Jones
NORTH STAR	Gold field & LuVerne	Michael Brinsko
CEDAR WAPSIE	Turkey Valley	Bruce Simpson
SOUTH CENTRAL 8	Martensdale-St. Mary	Ray Card
TWIN LAKES	Albert City-Truesdale	Jim Donohue
BIG MARSH	Allison Bristow	Tom Hoover
EAST CENTRAL IOWA	Benton Community	Bob White
BLUE GRASS	Melcher	Jim Laake
BENTON COUNTY	Norway	Keith Myers
MID WEST	St. Bernard	Jim Van Scoyoc
		Dale Lesle

This is the responce so far from 61 conferences. If you know of a conference champion and the coach's name send it in so we can recongnize them.

**PLAYERS RECEIVING COLLEGE AID IN 1975:** If any coach in the state has any of his players receiving aid of any sort, please indicate this to the secretary. We would like to publish the Player's name, High School, College and position. If you have anyone playing pro baseball send in his name also.

**MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL CHAMPION OWATONNA:** One of our association members from Minnesota won the state championship. He is Hugh Miller of Owatonna. They defeated Willman 7-6 for the championship. This is the first ever for Owatonna. Congratulations to Coach Hugh Miller and his first championship. Hugh will speak at our clinic in March.



PRICE OF BASEBALL GOING UP: Looking through a newsletter from Indiana High School Baseball Coaches Association I was interested in a article on the price of baseballs. Prices are based on three dozen minimum. These are No. 1 baseballs. Rawlings RO \$42.25; Spalding I \$40.00; Wilson AIOLO \$39.50; MacGregor 97 \$35.00; Worth 912 \$30.00. Some dealers are getting as high as \$48.00 per dozen for Spalding and Rawlings balls. This is too high for the price of baseballs. This I must say is the No. 1 quality baseball and they do have seconds at a lower price. Now might be the time to order your baseballs.

I also understand the price of bats are going to take a big jump.

SELL YOUR PROGRAM: Material on pre-season conditioning weight training baseball statistic Handbook, Baseball Brouchure for your program, Baseball handbook and many ideas on improving your program. Send \$1.25 (money back guarantee) to Mick Mattiace, Baseball Coach, Prairie High School, 401 76th Ave. S.W. Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404. This includes over 16 years of baseball experience including 6 years of professional baseball to help your program. Sounds like a good book for you coaches.

#### SYNOPSIS OF THE MINUTES OF BASEBALL COACHES ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

- 1/ Consideration to Fort Dodge for Summer State Tournament in conjunction with Iowa Central Community College in Fort Dodge.
- 2/ That the Classes A and AA District and Substate level tournaments be consolidated (squeezed or pushed) together rather than play on alternate days, etc.
- 3/ Reschudle games postponed in District & Substate on consecutive days until said tournaments regain their original schedule.
- 4/ Items be reemphasized: a/ Pitcher "warm up" by using not more than eight throws, etc. b/ Batter, as related to moving into and out of the batter's box prior to taking his position. c/ Offensive conferences--when charged, etc. d/ Coaches box e/ Quick pitching.
- 5/ Fall Baseball Program in State tournament be continued.
- 6/ That it be spelled out in writing that the tournament manager be present. at all tournament games.
- 7/ Other items discussed: Tournament sites and how they are selected.

You can find these minutes in the November Bullentin from the I.H.S.A.A. on page 73 and 74. Read these minutes and keep up to date on what is happing in the state.

Advisory Committe is made up of: North east: Dennis Olejniczak & Jim Van Soyoc; North west: Vince Meyer & Bill Sapp; Central: Bob Locker & Ed McNeil; South west: Tom Vincent & South east: Bill Freese & . If you have any questions you might want to contact the above coaches.

REMEMBER EACH COACH SHOULD TRY TO GET ANOTHER COACH OR FAN AND EVEN AN UMPIRE TO JOIN THE ASSOCIATION AND MAKE IT ONE OF THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY.

NEXT NEWS LETTER WILL COME IN JANUARY:

HAPPY HOLIDAYS





# Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association

## BALLOT FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 2. BOARD OF DIRECTORS: The Executive Secretary shall prepare and mail official election ballots to the members of the District. Upon voting, the election ballot to be returned (within ten days from mailing) to the Executive Secretary. The procedure in canvassing shall be the same as in canvassing nomination ballots and the person receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of tie, the election shall be decided by lot by the candidates in the presence of the canvassing committee. The second highest vote getter shall be considered the alternate and in event of inability of elected Director to serve, alternate will be appointed to the Board of Directors.

### VOTE FOR TWO IN YOUR DISTRICT ONLY

#### Northwest District

AL SUTTON, Emmetsburg  
 MARV THELEN, Remsen St. Mary's  
 GLEN VANDE GAARDE, Boyden-Hull

#### Northeast District

DICK CORE, Dubuque Hempstead  
 AL SEABROOKE, Clermont-Elgin  
 DENNIS OLEJNICZAK, Decorah

#### CENTRAL DISTRICT

JIM ELLWANGER, Fort Dodge St. Edmond  
 JERRY LISTER, North Tama  
 BILL SAPP, Boone

#### Southwest District

RON CLINTON, Creston  
 BOB OLESON, Guthrie Center  
 DALE ALLENSWORTH, Jefferson

#### Southeast District

DON JONES, Davenport West  
 RICK RAMBO, Fort Madison  
 JOE UTTER, DeWitt

— VOTE FOR TWO IN YOUR DISTRICT —

SEND BALLOT BACK WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER RECEIVING IT TO:

HAROLD PRIMROSE, Executive Secretary  
4211 High Ridge Road S.E.  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52403



# IOWA HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION

## DISTRICT COACH-OF-THE-YEAR BALLOT

PLEASE VOTE FOR ONE COACH IN YOUR DISTRICT ONLY !

### Northwest District

- \_\_\_ JIM WALKER, Granville Spalding  
\_\_\_ JOEL FRANKEN, Storm Lake  
\_\_\_ DENNY TURNURE, Sioux City Heelan

### Northeast District

- \_\_\_ DICK CORE, Dubuque Hempstead  
\_\_\_ RAY BALL, New Hampton  
\_\_\_ JERRY SHINN, Waterloo West

### Central District

- \_\_\_ RICK MATHEWS, Marshalltown  
\_\_\_ DON MAURO, Dowling West Des Moines  
\_\_\_ ED McNEIL, Fort Dodge

### Southwest District

- \_\_\_ TOM VINCENT, Council Bluffs T.J.  
\_\_\_ JOHN HARRIS, Corning  
\_\_\_ RON CLINTON, Creston

### NORTHEAST DISTRICT

- \_\_\_ DON MILLER, Assumption Davenport  
\_\_\_ RAY RANDALL, Iowa City West  
\_\_\_ DICK WAGNER, Burlington

## COLLEGE COACH-OF-THE-YEAR BALLOT

PLEASE VOTE FOR ONE FOUR-YEAR COACH AND ONE TWO-YEAR COLLEGE COACH

### Four-Year College Coach

- DUANE BANKS, University of Iowa  
 JAY BEEKMAN, Buena Vista

### Two-Year College Coach

- LOU YACINICH, Grandview  
 BOB WARN, Southwest Comm College

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# Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
NOVEMBER 9, 1974

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by President Dick Wagner at the University of Iowa Fieldhouse.

Members present were: Officers: President Dick Wagner, Burlington; Vice President Jim Jagim, Valley West Des Moines; Treasurer Dave Hoyt, Washington Cedar Rapids; Secretary Mick Mattiace, Prairie Cedar Rapids; Executive Secretary Harold Primrose. Directors Southeast District: Jim Schulz, Bettendorf; Ray Randall, Iowa City West; Northeast District: Al Seabrook, Clermont Elgin; Lowell Grunwald, Waterloo East; Dick Core, Dubuque Hempstead; Northwest District: Marv Thelen, Remsen St. Mary's; Orville Madden Floyd Valley; Central District: Jim Ellwanger, Fort Dodge St. Edmonds; Southwest District: Dean Witmer; Perry; Past President Bill Freese. Guests: Dennis Olejniczak, Decorah, Supt. Wayne Burns, Decorah; Bill Holmstrom, A.D. Clinton; Jim Van Scoyoc, Norway, George Thomson, C.R. Roosevelt, and Duane Banks, University of Iowa.

President Dick Wagner bestowed a verbal thank you to Duane Banks and Bump Elliott for hosting our Board of Director's meeting at the University of Iowa campus.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Dave Hoyt read the minutes of the March 15, 1974 Board Meeting. They were approved as read.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The financial report was passed out by Executive Secretary Harold Primrose, stating a balance of \$853.23 as of October 31, 1974. It was moved by Bill Freese and seconded by Jim Jagim to accept the financial report of the Executive Sect.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: 1/ President Dick Wagner reported that everything seemed to be functioning well in the organization at this time. He reported on the growth of the Coaches Association and that special recognition should go to Pinky Primrose for the excellent job he is doing as our Executive Secretary.

2/ Certificates were sent out for the All State Teams.

3/ He has contacted Bernie Saggau of I.H.S.A.A. about the possibility of an All Star baseball team. Mr. Saggau's reply was favorable providing the right channels are followed.

4/ He reported that more high school invitational tournaments are being played in Iowa. Also more schools are charging admission to their games. This is good.

5/ President Wagner made a list of recommendations to propose for new business.

a/ Write to the Board of Control to consider protest in baseball.

b/ Recommend awarding medals in baseball similar to other sports.

c/ That tournament games be played in a central location.

d/ Consideration of a round-robin or double-elimination tournament in High School baseball

e/ Class A & AA baseball tournaments be held at the same time rather than a week apart.

f/ A baseball canvas should be made available for state tournament games.

g/ Baseball Coaches Association recommended that summer tournament championship games be played at centrally located baseball stadium to build fan interest.

h/ The Baseball Coaches Association made a recommendation to get more active baseball members onto the advisory board.

i/ A recommendation to consider a Shrine All Star Baseball Game. \* All Star -

A discussion of these recommendations followed. Jim Jagim, Valley West Des Moines, moved and Bill Schulz, Bettendorf, seconded that we accept the recommendations made by the President. Carried.



EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT: Pinky Primrose reported Clinic plans for the March 14-15, 1975 Clinic program. Mr. Primrose made the following recommendations for changes and asked for action on these recommendations today.

- 1/ That all members pay \$10.00 registration fee for the clinic. This does not include membership fee.
- 2/ That this fee will cover all clinic meals, plus a notebook favor with I.H.S.B.C.A. 1975 Clinic on the outside.
- 3/ That \$2.00 of this fee go to help offset the speaker fees. We have a great increase in speaker fees due to the distance we have speakers coming from.
- 4/ That High School students fees stay the same. If they eat meals it will cost them \$10.00 for clinic fee and meals.
- 5/ That it will cost \$20.00 to register at the door the day of the clinic for non members. a/ \$5.00 for membership b/ \$5.00 late registration c/ \$10.00 Clinic fee
- 6/ That the clinic have the same structure as in the past years.

Mr. Primrose also suggested the selling of Association brief cases for \$9.00 in order to offset the increase of clinic speaker expenses. The Association will be making a couple dollars on each set.

He outlined the speakers for the March 14-15 Clinic. List of speakers included: Banquet Speaker, Morley Frazer, well-known inspirational speaker and former baseball coach for 20 years from Albion, Mich.; Tom Meyer, University of Wisconsin baseball coach; High school championship coaches from Iowa and Minnesota. Mini Clinics will have such people as Cap Timm, Duane Josephson, John Klippstein, Bob Oldis, Jean Baker, Don Lenhart.

Pinky presented a letter to the board members that will be sent out to members through out the state, This letter was in reference to finding conference representatives in each conference, to help send in conference standings, Coach of the Year in their conf. membership in their conference and point out any person in their conference who has done an outstanding job for high school baseball.

Pinky pointed out that membership today is at 196 members and this is ahead of last year. Our goal for this year is 450 members by clinic time.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE: President Wagner called on Orville Madden, chairman of Hall of Fame Committee. Mr. Madden outlined the guidelines to be followed in the future for selection of Hall of Fame members. He asked for action on these guidelines today.

Information and the rules for the Hall of Fame shall be kept on file by the Executive Secretary and the Committee Chairman and made available to those who are interested in making nominations.

President Wagner asked for a hand for the outstanding job Orville did on his organization of the guidelines. These guidelines should give us a foundations for many years.

ALL DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORT: Lowell Grunwald, Chairman of the All District Committee, reviewed the selection procedures of the All District teams, He also reported that the majority vote must be of those present at the All District Meeting for a person to make the team. Lowell asked for any suggestions that would be helpful in standardizing the ballot averages for the spring and summer seasons when selecting the teams.

A discussion followed that some coaches were receiving their All District Ballots late and having problems meeting deadline dates.

Pinky Primrose reported that all District information will be sent out by 1st class mail delivery next year to all members. Non members will receive theirs by third class.





*Contributor -*

OLD BUSINESS:

Protest Rule: It was moved by Ray Randall, Iowa City West and seconded by Lowell Grunwald of Waterloo East and carried that a letter be sent to the I.H.S.A.A. office to reconsider the protest rule. The President should write the letter stating the associations feelings.

HALL OF FAME GUIDELINES: Pinky Primrose moved and Dean Witmer seconded the motion to approve the 24 guidelines set forth by Mr. Madden in his report. Carried. They should be published in the next newsletter.

CLINIC FEE INCREASE: Jim Jagim, Valley of West Des Moines, moved and Marv Thelen, Remsen St. Mary's seconded the motion that the clinic fees be changed in accordance of report submitted by Pinky. Vote by District and officers was recorded. Carried.

CONTRIBUTOR AWARD: Pinky Primrose moved and Jim Schulz seconded that Wayne Burns, Supt. of Decorah, be so recognized at our Seventh Annual Clinic. Carried.

EIGHT TEAM STATE TOURNAMENT: Dennis Olejniczak of Decorah moved and Ray Randall seconded that 8 teams should participate in the state tournament in each classification. A letter should be written by our President to the State Association expressing the Association's feelings. Motion carried unanimously.

CLINIC FAVORS: It was moved by Bill Freese, seconded by Lowell Grunwall that the association approve the purchase of clinic favors as part of the \$10.00 fee. Carried. Each favor should run around \$1.00.

NAME CARDS FOR HALL OF FAME MEMBERS: Orville Madden, Floyd Valley moved and Dean Witmer seconded that the Association buy name tags for Hall of Fame Members to wear at the Clinic. Carried. Cost per tag should run about 90¢.

CALENDAR DATES OF ASSOCIATION: Bill Freese moved and Dave Hoyt seconded that the Calendar dates be approved by the board as submitted. Carried.

- a/ Board of Directors Meeting, Cedar Rapids Washington, March 13, 1975 7:30 P.M.
- b/ Board of Directors Meeting, Committee Meetings, March 14, 1975 9:30 A.M.
- c/ General Meeting, March 14, 1975, 11:00 A.M., Little Theater, Washington High
- d/ New Directors meeting, March 15, 1975, 10:00 A.M., Little Theater

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

1. That everyone work on getting new members into the association and continue to improve on the work we are doing.
- 2/ That Chairman of each committee write members on that committee and see what should be discussed at the committee meetings in March.
- 3/ That the State tournament series be moved to an earlier start in July.

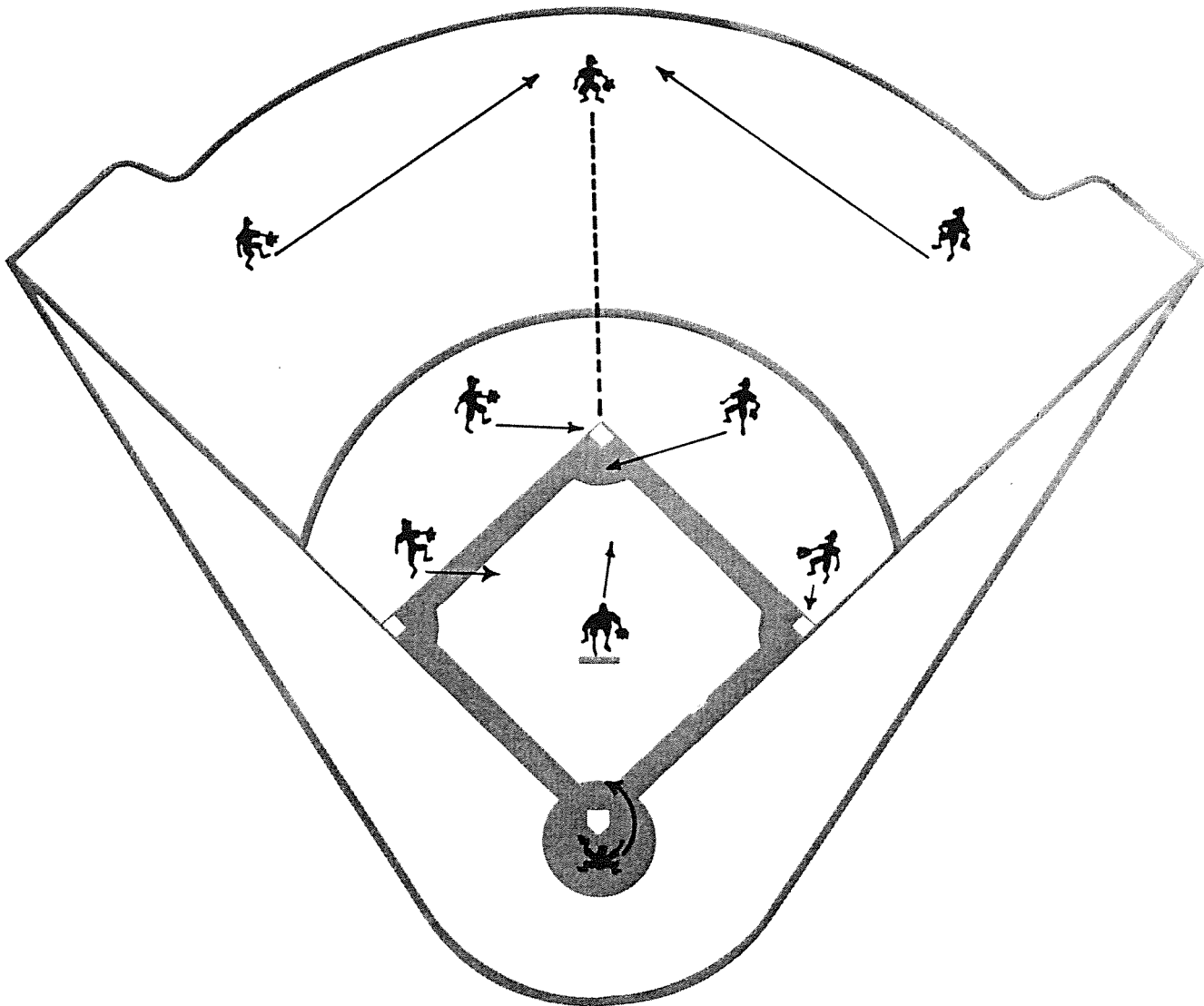
ADJOURNMENT: Dean Witmer, Perry moved and Jim Ellwanger seconded that the meeting be adjourn. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 P.M..

Respectfully submitted

Mick Mattiace, Secretary



SITUATION #9  
Single to CENTER Field  
No one on base



**Pitcher:**

Move to a position half way  
between mound and 2nd.

**Catcher:**

Protect home plate area.

**1st Baseman:**

Make sure the runner tags the  
base in making the turn, then  
cover 1st base.

**Shortstop:**

Cover 2nd to take throw from  
center fielder.

**2nd Baseman:**

Back up the center fielder's  
throw to the shortstop.

**3rd Baseman:**

Protect 3rd base area.

**Outfielders:**

Left and right fielders -  
back up center fielder.

