

**MINUTES OF THE
NATIONAL FASTPITCH COACHES ASSOCIATION
EDUCATION & PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

December 11, 2008

Marco Island Marriott, Marco Island, Florida

Christina Edgar, Education and Publications Committee liaison, called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. with three in attendance. Those attending were Greg Clark, Loogootee Community High School; Jan Forsty, Bethany College; and Brian Howard, Ohio Valley University.

1. Announcements
2. Review of publications.
 - A. NFCA Calendar – Feedback included a positive response to the sponsor logos being located at the top of the page with the picture. They were more noticeable in this location. Also discussed were ways to encourage more submissions from levels other than Division I. The process for choosing photographs was explained, with consideration for sponsor products as well as inclusion of all membership groups. Members of the committee will be encouraged to help solicit submissions for the 2010 publication.
 - B. Directory – The directory was briefly reviewed, with no suggestions for change.
 - C. *Fastpitch Delivery* – A review of the changes made beginning with the January 2008 issue received positive response. Also discussed was a possibility of offering members either the current hard copy of the paper or a digital version, and all members preferred the current format.
 - a. Suggestions for new column ideas were discussed, including a recurring column on recruiting, similar to what is offered in the regular March edition of the newspaper. The column could cover what is to be expected and what is allowed at each level, including effects for college, travel ball and high school. One idea was to rotate through divisions, including one perspective in each issue. Another suggestion was to include recruiting calendars and what was coming up in each issue.
 - b. Suggestions for Question of the Month included the following: How has the current financial crisis impacted your program?
3. Suggestions. Members of the committee were encouraged to stay involved throughout the year, including emailing or calling Director of Publications with any and all suggestions/questions/etc.
4. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.