

**APAC Baseball**  
**22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> October, 2015**  
**Shanghai, Puxi**

**SUMMARY OF EVENT:**

Prior to the tournament, much had been made of the poor behavior that some coaches had been displaying in the various tournaments in the build up to APAC. With this in mind, we had made a conscious decision during the Wednesday meeting to target this as an area of emphasis. Our Site Manager/Rules Manager emphasized that abuse of umpires would not be tolerated. Without trying to remove the competitive nature of an APAC event, the motto was “Educator 1<sup>st</sup>...Coach 2<sup>nd</sup>”. The role modeling needed to be educationally appropriate in all aspects of the tournament. On the whole, coaches need to be congratulated for the way they conducted themselves and we hope that the tone that has been set will extend into future tournaments. The key is to have strong site managers who have a strong knowledge of the game. Arguments over umpire rulings can be dissipated when there is an expert at hand.

We employed home run fences on both fields (265ft base lines; 300 ft center field). Several home runs were scored which added great excitement to the tournament. The distances were deemed to be challenging yet achievable.

We had one serious non-baseball related injury to one player from Brent (broken clavicle). The player was clowning around between games trying to jump the home run fence. He was flown to Korea at the request of the family.

**RECORD ANY RECOMMENDED CHANGES IN PROCEDURE.**

No formal proposals....See minutes

**RECORD ANY RECOMMENDED POLICY CHANGES:**

See minutes

**NOTE ANY ITEMS THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED ON THE CONVENTION CHECKLIST:**

The selection of key personnel to serve as knowledgeable site managers is a crucial. When questions are answered with authority, it reduces much of the potential frustrations that participants may feel.

**NOTE ANY CONCERNS THE HOSTING SCHOOL HAS REGARDING THIS CONVENTION:**

Nil to report

**NOTE ANY STUDENT VIOLATIONS OF CONVENTION RULES RELATING TO SPORTSMANSHIP OR BEHAVIOR INCLUDING CURFEW AND ALCOHOL & TOBACCO VIOLATIONS:**

No curfew violations were reported.