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Voting results are in including your 2017 FBNBA All-Stars. I hope the game can be played by the 2016 World Series teams, US Jarheads and the league champions, Milford Dogfish.

Roster expansion has passed but how to expand the rosters ended in a tie. We will revote on proposal 3A & 3B. See "Revote Ballot" last page of this newsletter.

**Voting Results:** All members responded BUT everyone did not vote on each item.

1. Jeff Merklin for American League President. **PASSED** Yes 22 No 0  
2. Bob Figella for National League President. **PASSED** Yes 22 No 0

1. Increase reliever use in the post season from 8% to 10%. **PASSED** Yes 18 No 5  
Reliever only 10%  
S/R used as S/R 10% maximum 12IP  
S/R used as R only 10% maximum 12IP  
S only used as R only 10% maximum 8IP

2. Increase AB minimum requirement per position to 550 from 500. **PASSED** Yes 15 No 8

3. Expand Roster size. **PASSED** Yes 15 No 8

If Expand Roster size passes **check either 3A or 3B** below for the method to be used.

- 3A. Expand pre-draft rosters from 37 to 40. **TIE: REVOTE NEEDED** 3A 10

- 3B. Roster Expansion for pre-draft and seasonal. Instead of 37 with 40 max use 40 and 43 max as shown below from the constitution. 3B 10

IX. ROSTERS ACTIVE-INACTIVE: A. Team rosters will consist of a maximum of 43 all year and a minimum of 25 players during the season. 1. Rosters cannot go over the 43 man maximum limit when making a trade (see trades). If a trade would put a team over the 43 man maximum limit the team may cut players by announcing it to the commissioner and by waiving a player or players during a trade to stay below the 43 man limit. Once a team waives a player(s) no team can reclaim or claim the player(s).

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XIV. the DRAFT:

D. GM's may protect a maximum of 40 players going into the draft. GM's receive 1 draft pick for each player under 40 that he protects.

4. It is not allowed for a #1,2, or 3 hitting Pitcher to pinch-hit in any FBN game unless they are an A or B bunter, and then the offense MUST Sac or Squeeze Bunt. **FAILED** Yes 7 No 16  
Exception: If a team has given up its designated hitter, the pitcher in the game may bat no matter what he is rated.

5. Increase usage for batters with less than 400AB's during the real life season from 6% to 8% of total AB's for each playoff series rounded off to a whole number. **PASSED** Yes 15 No 8

6. Move the deadline for all voting items from November 30th to November 15th. Move the official voting date from December 1<sup>st</sup> to November 22. Complete the year by the end of November. Yes 21 No 2  
**PASSED**

7. Confirmable errors on total team stats for at bats or innings pitched may be assessed up to 10 –BP’s as determined by the league officials based on the significance of the error(s). Deliberate errors to other reported team stats categories are also subject to up to an additional 10 –BP’s as determined by the league officials based on the significance of the error(s). The offending manager may appeal the penalty to the entire league subject to a league vote. Yes 14 No 9  
**PASSED**

8. Tighten the loophole on regular season AB over use potential. **PASSED** Yes 12 NO 11  
If Yes passes, choose A) or B):

**A) (1/2) point for each AB a batter is overused.**

**A 11 PASSED**

**B) (1) point for each AB a batter is overused.**

**B 7 FAILED**

The current 5 or less penalty point forgiveness rule would remain in effect for either A) or B).

## 2017 ALL-STAR TEAMS

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

DH: Cruz (37), Santana (33)

CATCHER: Perez (28), Ramos (27)

1<sup>ST</sup> BASE: Votto (42), Rizzo (38) Note: No other first basemen received a vote!

2<sup>ND</sup> BASE: Lemehieu (39), Altuve (22)

3<sup>RD</sup> BASE: Bryant (29), Beltre (26)

Shortstop: Cabrera (24), Segura (24)

OF’ER: Betts(46), Yelich (40), Duvall(22), Stanton(21), Grichuk(19), Myers(17).

SP’ER: Sale(41), Verlander(33), Tanaka(32), Scherzer(28), Arietta(27), deGrom & Fulmer (19)\*Both deGrom and Fulmer make the team due to their tie scores.

RP’ER: Jansen(48), Thornberg(39), Miller(35), Oh(27), Dull(26), Dickman & Kimbrel(21)\*\*Both Dickman and Kimbrel make the team due to their tie scores.

MVP: Betts (51)

CY YOUNG: Sale (31)

ROOKIE: Fulmer (25)

**MGR of the Year: Mike Holbrook (25)**

**GM of the Year: Vic Handel (23)**

**Note: When a player received votes for more than one position they were added to his total.**

Others receiving votes: San0(9), Trumbo, Kipnis(6), Morales, Sanchez(5), Castillo, Leon(6), Martin (3), Shoop(3), Rendo(14), Carpenter(3), Lindor(11), Gregorias(8), Correa(6), Simmons(3), Braun, Herrera (16), Valencia(11), Cespedes, Pillar, Zobrist(3), Sgndergard(11), Straily(8), Fernandez(6), Davis, Hellickso, Kershaw, Happ(3), Kimbrel(18), Osuna(8), Betances(6), Vincent, Otero, Cingrani, Barrett(3). MVP: Votto(43), Rizzo(38), LeMehieu(35), Braun, Segura(6), Sale, Altuve(3). CY” Scherzer(11), Verlander(8), Tanaka(5), Fulmer, Straily, deGrom(3). ROY: Sanchez(12), Merifield(10< Maeda(6), Devenski(3).

MGR. of the Year: Handel(23), Doug Campbell(10), Griffin(8), Boucher(3).

GM of the Year: Holbrook(19), Griffin(11), Doug Campbell(10), Ferguson(3).

## NATIONAL LEAGUE:

DH: Encacion (37), Ortiz (32)

CATCHER: Lucroy (38), Grandal (16)

1<sup>ST</sup> BASE: Mi. Cabrera (44), Freeman (22)

2<sup>ND</sup> BASE: Murphy (23), Cano (22)

3<sup>RD</sup> BASE: Donalson (29), Turner (28)

Shortstop: Andrus (46), C.Seager (15)

OF'ER: Trout(50),Marte(44),Blackman(34),A.Jones(24),Mk.Cabrera(22),Ellsbury(9)

SP'ER: Pocello(48),Kershaw(46),Bumgarner(37),Kluber(35),Hamels(25),Teheran(15),  
A.Sanchez(12). \*Sanchez added due to AL tie for SP.

RP'ER: Melancon(48),Chapman(46),E.Diaz(36),Familia(33),N.Jones(20),Brach(20),  
Herrera(18). \*\*Herrera added due to the AL tie for RP.

MVP: Mi. Cabrera (58)

CY YOUNG: Porcello (33)

ROOKIE: E.Diaz (19)

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**GM of the Year: Rob Bruno (26)**

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Others receiving votes: Pujols (6), Posey (11), Vogt (6), Realmuto, Molina (3), Goldschmidt (11), Abrea (8), Dozier (19), Walker (16), Pedroia (10), LeMahieu (3), Arenado (16), Machado (16), J.Ramirez (13), Nunez, K. Seager (3), A.Diaz (6), Jensen (3), Eaton (8), Fowler, Piscotty (6), Granderson (5), Reddick, Upton, Beltron (3), Rondon (6), Wright, Quintana (5), Maeda, Strasburg (3), Cishek (16), Rodney (8), Kelly, Bedrosian (6). Britton, Belisle (5). MVP: Trout(48), Donaldson(40), Encarnacion(37), Cano, Freeman(13), Murphy(9), Ortiz(7), Percello(4), Longoria, Walker, Andrus(3). CY: Bumgarner(19), Kershaw(8), Hamels(6), Kluber, Familia(3). ROY: A.Diaz(16), Guerra(8), C.Seager, Manda, Contreras, Anderson(5), Devenski(3). MGR: Nieman (26), Bruno (24), Gino (6). GM: H.Nieman (14), Klee (11), Figella (10) Drapeau (3).

## Transactions:

1. None

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NOTE: With all due dates for 2017 now completed all teams with less than 5 –BP's will have the –BP's removed. Listed below are teams with over 5 –BP's.

## Minus Bonus Points:

-BP's: none.

YTD –BP's: none

**REVOTE BALLOT: Please return by 8PM Sunday night December 10<sup>th</sup>.**

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Please **check either 3A or 3B** below for the method to be used for expanding the rosters.

Thank you.  
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