Hello Coaches:

The time of year when I do this is a bit different every year, but unfortunately I have to do it every year. I guess I should just write something and save it for the next year, but it seems to stimulate me, so I go through this grieving every year. **YOU NEED TO PAY ATTENTION TO THIS NOW.**

Folks I said to you last fall and again this past January AND as we approached the beginning of the season I sent out a reminder of this. Recording scores and pitch counts is an issue of <u>major magnitude</u> because it doesn't just affect your team it affects every team in this league if there is even one weak link.

It is the responsibility of the winning team to post both the score and pitch count of every pitcher in every game to determine eligibility for future games. The losing team is then to verify the information. If there is a discrepancy, then the losing team communicates with the team reporting the information in order to reconcile. If they cannot reconcile, then they BOTH get with the coordinator (This year that is me—next year it will likely be one of you, as I will stay at 8 each year) and a resolution that probably neither of you will be totally happy with will be accomplished.

In the event the winning team does not post the score and pitch counts 12 hours minimum before the teams next game (teams need to communicate schedule information to indicate urgency) then the losing team is to post that information and it will be recorded as gospel since the winning team abdicated their responsibility.

Guys, being busy is no excuse. Thinking it's an unimportant matter is just narcissistic, so pound salt on that. While I was coaching at the HS level I still had to report scores to the newspapers, record information on the school web site—all while I was serving as President of this league and as Executive Director of CABA. It was a 3,000 hour a year job. YOU MAKE TIME OR APPOINT SOMEONE THAT HAS OR WILL TAKE THE TIME TO DO IT IMMEDIATELY. It's really quite simple.

If failure to post scores and pitch counts becomes a pattern of behavior, then forfeits will be awarded. More to come, I'm sure.