

MVSA FASTPITCH

MOUNDS VIEW SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes **January 26, 2013, Board Meeting**

David Van House called to order the January 2013 Board Meeting of the Mounds View Softball Association (MVSA) at 10:05 am. The meeting was held at the Shoreview Community Center, in conjunction with the 2013 in person registration of the MVSA. The Minutes from the January 3, 2013 meeting were approved.

Board members in attendance: Sue Blumer (by telephone), Mark Hewitson, Chris Kelley, Ted Labey, Jim Murphy, John Peschel, Greg Sherrill, Laura Trondson, David Van House and Karin Wessberg

Absent: Tom Bye and Doug Schley

Guests: Al Lavallo

President's report (delivered by David Van House in Tom's absence)

John reported that we are in the process of finalizing the insurance coverage for the MVSA for the coming year. The cost of the coverage did not increase over the cost of last season and was in the area of \$2,200 for the year.

David noted the following from the Board checklist for February of each year:

- File annual registration with the Secretary of State for the MVSA – David said he would review/file and report back to the MVSA
- Obtain field permits (through October) and provide a certificate of insurance to the city of Shoreview – Sue Blumer and John Peschel to follow-up report back to the MVSA
- Follow and send out a blast on President's day hitting and pitching and catching clinics.
- Tom to confirm tryout evaluators
- Send out a blast to senior girls about scholarship application deadline.

Secretary's Report (David Van House)

David advised that he would be following up on the website items noted above.

Treasurer's Report (John Peschel)

John noted that he will have updated financial information at the next meeting after registration is closed and the deposits are in.

VP – Traveling (Doug Schley)

No report

In-House – (Ted Labey)

Ted is trying to set up some clinics for the in-house players and will report back at our next meeting.

Concessions (Laura Trondson and Karin Wessberg)

Laura and Karin reported that they had been in contact with Betty about the transfer of the Sam's club membership and any necessary Ramsey County license, and they would report back at our next meeting.

Laura and Karin reported that they were also looking at a possible expansion of the concession offerings and also looking at the pricing of the various items and would report back to the Board with any recommendations that they have.

David asked that we be sure to maintain an adequate inventory of shirts and sweatshirts for sale at the concession stand during the season. Laura, Karin and Chis will follow up on this.

Equipment (Jim Murphy)

Jim stated the pitching machine repairs have been completed and the machines are back in the equipment room.

Jim also reported the RCF locks had been re-keyed at a cost of approximately \$300. Everyone acknowledge the need to do a better job at keeping the keys. It was suggested that we may want to consider each coach placing a deposit for their equipment bag and key.

Umpires (Mark Hewitson)

Mark stated that he had nothing new to report at this point in the year. The dates of the clinics are on the website.

MVSA Tournaments and Clinics (Greg Sherrill)

Greg reported that the clinics have been very successful the last several weeks, with the pitching clinics being full.

Uniforms (Chris Kelley)

Chris asked that a reminder go out to the parents that new players need to get assigned a number before their uniforms are ordered.

There was considerable discussion about the pros and cons of wearing long pants versus the current uniform shorts. **A motion was made and seconded (Trondson/Van House) and**

approved unanimously, that the uniform for the coming year would be the same shirts with black long softball pants, instead of shorts.

There was discussion of the elimination of the friend request opportunity on the registration forms going forward. There had been some situations of greatly expanding the requests under the heading of "car pooling", and the desirability of the girls making new friends of their teammates. **A motion was made and seconded (Sherrill/Kelley) and approved unanimously to eliminate the friend request from future registration forms.**

Fields (Sue Blumer)

Sue had nothing to report at this point in the year.

Discussion –

John reminded the Board of the Board's need to approve any out of district players, as provided for by the By-laws. After the registrations are closed and before tryouts, John will identify the out of district players for Board action.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting (Sherrill/Kelley) and the meeting was adjourned at 11:30am.

The next meeting is Thursday March 7, 2013, at the Shoreview Community Center.

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| <p>Draft minutes sent to board by e-mail on January 29, 2013</p> |
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