



OSSEO-MAPLE GROVE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION SECRETARY'S REPORT

August 19, 2014

MEETING OF THE OSSEO MAPLE GROVE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Joe Lavin.

Attending: Attending the meeting were Robin Dreyer, Joe Lavin, Dan Sanford, Paul Sperl, Chris Sullivan, Don Myhre, Jamey Larson, Curt Barker, Dave Ditty, Angela Lindblom and Mark Pallansch. Guests include OMGAA members Jason Roufs, Cathy Krier.

Open Forum: Cathy is interested in volunteering for the board.

Secretary:

presented the July minutes for approval.
Motion to approve July Minutes
Motion was made by Paul Sperl
Seconded by Dan Sanford
Motion was approved unanimously.

Treasurer Report: Taxes have been filed. Chris would like to call and chair a Steering Committee to oversee the budget process. Please contact Chris if you are interested. Chris shared a summarized Treasurer's Report as of August 19, 2014.

Presented the July Treasurer's report for approval
Motion to approve July Treasurer's Report
Motion was made by Paul Sperl
Seconded by Dan Sanford
Motion was approved unanimously.

IT Director: Don e-mailed the survey results with a breakdown by league. Overall, more surveys were completed than in the previous years. Storm Baseball Tryout Process results were consistent with the last 6 years in terms of a percent or two. NGIN now allows us to credit a credit card vs. reimbursement check, however the processing fee will need to be discussed among league directors. There were 2 calls from the credit card company that fees were refunded due to customer complaints. Last year receipt mentioned that receipt would indicate NGIN, this year receipt will indicate OMGAA to avoid confusion.

Equipment Director: This position is Open. Jason Roufs is interested in this position. Jason played OMGAA and also has 3 children that play in OMGAA leagues. Bags will need to be inventoried and restocked. Some League Directors have already done this task. League Directors should mark the bags if they don't want them cleaned out and restocked due to bags are ready for the next season. A suggestion was made that the League Directors order their own equipment versus going through the Equipment Director.

Training Director: \$1300 was received from City for overcharge. The Rice Lake Batting cage has been repaired. Dave picked up artificial turf from SCSU, donated for free. The City helped move the turf from the flatbed to the outside of the cage. If Dave can get a volunteer to pull back fence, the city will place it in the cage and we can roll it out.

Fund Raising: Nothing to Report.

Park & Rec: Not present.

League Directors –

Junior House: Not present.

Senior House: Season is over. OMGAA might have the opportunity to host a couple Babe Ruth tournaments next year, including a Regional one. Most likely a 4 day tournament. If you host a tournament, your team is automatically in. The Board will need to decide before the Babe Ruth Regional meeting in November. Paul will get back to the board with more information and will share at the next meeting.

Junior Traveling Baseball: The season wrapped up with the 9AAA team winning the state tournament and several teams finished high as well. The 13AAA year old All Star Team won their post season MYAS All Star tournament and OMGAA's Wade Klick was selected as coach of that team. Storm baseball also had representatives in the MYAS 13AA, 14AAA and 14AA All star teams. 17 baseball teams with players from OMGAA are signed up for MYAS Fall traveling baseball and that is the most ever according to MYAS. Last year C.J. from Pitch-to-Pitch ran an instructional, in-house Fall League and OMGAA promoted his business as Pitch-to-Pitch paid for rights to e-mail. Angela asked if it is still ok for C.J. to again promote his league based on his paid rights to members. Curt suggested sending a blast e-mail promoting Fall ball. It was agreed that this is fine to do.

Senior Traveling Baseball: Jack Anderson will not be coaching next year. The team finished 4th in state and Jack did a great job! A replacement search will begin. There were 13 teams this year in the Rec league, another team was added this year, 15-16 players per team. They had 14 league games with a single elimination tournament.

Dan would like to refine the Scholarship process to include an application deadline to avoid last minute requests.

House Fastpitch: A house league tournament was held, \$450 was returned to OMGAA to assist with paying umpires. Overall numbers are down, we need to figure out a way to promote Fastpitch, possibly get Coaches more involved, more pitching clinics, work with Wayzata, etc. Don can send a blast e-mail when League Directors request to do so. Coordinators will also be needed. The VP will be promoting the All Star Event more next year.

Traveling Fast pitch: A couple teams placed this year. Tryouts have been completed. 100% of the players that responded to the survey responded that they had fun! Next year there will be three 16-year-old teams and two 14-year-old teams.

Vice President Report: OMGAA Special Olympics (Adaptive League) placed 2nd in state this year!

President Report:

Old Business – Nothing to report.

New Business - Robin discussed positions that are up for election in September and are as follows:

President, Secretary, Senior House Baseball Director, Senior Traveling Director, Traveling Fastpitch Director and Fundraising Director. The bylaws for the election process were discussed including posting the available positions on the website, sending a blast e-mail and posting in local paper.

Jason Roufs is interested in the Equipment position. Joe pointed out that the Board is becoming heavily weighted with Storm parents. Dan Sanford made a motion that we elect Jason Roufs as Equipment Director for the remaining term. Paul Sperl 2nd the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

Joe asked how the board feels about adding new members, Fall Ball Director, Tournament Director, etc. Paul suggested we get past the election and take a hard look at revising the bylaws and also look at revising the Director positions, especially looking at expanding the position for the Junior House League Director.

Minutes were suspended for discussion.

Meeting resumed with discussion of adding more positions, including discounts, etc. Chris also suggested the Steering Committee look at taking ownership of all the fees that were waived. An e-mail blast will be sent for all the open Board Positions. Usually out of courtesy board directors let the members know who is leaving their position. Dan is 90% he is not returning. Robin is on the fence about returning.

Chris would like to start the Steering Committee for budgets, Board Members please contact him if you are interested.

OMGAA guest Cathy Krier mentioned that she is interested in being involved with the Scholarship Committee. If anyone is interested in calling for a committee, any member can do so, the President and VP cannot call those committees or steer them. Contact Joe if you are interested.

Motion to Adjourn
Motion was made by Dan Sanford
Seconded by Angela Lindblom
Motion unanimously approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Robin Dreyer, OMGAA Secretary

Minutes are not considered official until approved by the Board at the next meeting.

Future Meetings: All meetings to be held at the Maple Grove Community Center, every 3rd Tuesday of the month starting at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted. Note: For the months of May, June and July, the board will meet at 9:00 pm.