

Falcon Youth Baseball Minutes

Jan. 15th, 2012

Present: Chad, Bill, Becky, Holly, Kat, Brad & Bradd

Absent: None

1. Approval of 12-5-11 minutes – All in favor to approve, none opposed

2. Holly gave us a financial update

3. Bill updated us on Insurance (GNL hasn't contacted Bill back with a quote- he will contact them), also Little league update. Bill talked to Mike and they were contemplating changing to a different league, and questioned if we wanted to join. They have debated between little league and also the white water division. Wabasha is already in the Plainview's little league borders (W-K school district). Bill also talked to Jim from the little league regarding several things. The FYBA board at this point discussed joining Little League in depth. The main reason for us to join was to have access to the coaching materials and things like that. Bill stated to group that information was online and free to our access. After much discussion, Holly made a motion to not join Little League at this point. It was 2nd by Kat. All members were in favor and none were opposed.

4. Donation: We did not have letter drawn up for this meeting. Becky to contact Brian Fries for graphic and forward to Paul Ward to draft a letterhead template for the next meeting.

Kat to send out Thanks to Hill's Hardware (for donating to our bill) & City of Wabasha (for the gift of money).

5. FYBA board reviewed the first draft of the handbook. There were a few revisions made and motion was made by Chad to approve the first draft with revisions. It was 2nd by Brad. All members were in favor, none were opposed.

Brad to make revisions and also add a page in the back with Signature lines. He will bring this back to the next meeting.

6. Practices/scheduling: It was decided to have a sub group to develop a practice schedule

Kat & Bradd will work together on this and report back at the next meeting.

Chad will contact Durand and try to get when games are, and also when the coaches meeting will be. Chad & Bill will attend the Durand coach meeting with any other board members welcome if they want.

7. Discussion of teams/levels: The board discussed in length options for levels/grades/ages. Chad will check with Durand if there teams for based on ages or grades and we will develop from there...

We also discussed having a “minor league team” Consisting of 3-5 year olds that would be free. They would not get a shirt (but would have the option to purchase if family wanted to). This level would focus on getting those kids out on the field, learning the very basics of baseball and to have fun!

T-Ball teams would get T-shirts only

Rest of teams would be full uniforms. Motion was made by Chad to supply full uniform to those kids to include: Hat, Shirt, Belt, Pants & Socks. It was 2nd by Becky and all members agreed, none were opposed.

The following levels will be finalized after our meeting with Durand as to what we will follow (ages or grades)

Minor league- ages 3-5

T-Ball : ages 8 and under or K-2 grade

Lobbs: ages 10 and under or grades 3-4-5

Peewees: ages 12 and under or grades 6-7

Midgets: ages 14 and under or grades 8-9

8. Discussion was had that we will decide next meeting on date for sign up, we will offer 2 separate meeting dates (that parents/player must attend one of), we will have food (baseball foods – hotdogs, chips, etc). We will check with VFW about having the meeting there. There will be Q & A sessions at both meetings.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 by President Chad Springer.