

January 2022 CBA Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:10.

Attendees:

Jeremy Laughlin – Communication Director

David Verduzco – Vice President

Eric Ricard – Treasurer

Dan Jochum – Secretary

Nikki Moen

Beth Vriesen

Julie Bresser

Brannon Weigel

Minutes

Dan Jochum presented the minutes from December. Eric Ricard made a motion to approve. Brannon Weigel seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Registration Update

The goal is to have registration posted for 13/14s and Community and Youth League on Monday, January 17th. David asked if fees will be raised for Community and Youth League. Julie noted that they are not planning on having names on the uniforms for youth league because it is not cost effective to do so. Community and Youth League will not be receiving pants this season. The consensus was to leave the cost of registration the same as last year for community and youth leagues. The other discussion topic was related to COVID and the impact it may have on our Expo and with upcoming tryouts. There is a uniform tryout for 13/14 metro travel teams on January 10th and 12th at the Chaska High School. Jeremy noted that it would be helpful to have a few uniforms to try on at the Expo.

Player Development Update

Weekly practices have been scheduled for 9-12-year-old teams at the High School. David gave an overview of previous preseason player development program. Starting in March there will be cage time from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm on Saturday's. We will also be having part of the field as well for throwing and doing infield, etc. A lot of discussion took place on what type of player development we need to be doing and making sure we have facility space available to do player development.

Treasurer's Report

Everything is in good order with cash balance with an account balance of about \$106,000. We are starting to see registrations come in for the Chaska Classic. Eric also noted that we need to make the final edits to the by-laws to be consistent with what was voted on at the annual meeting. Eric noted that we need to finalize our fundraising goals for the Association. Nikki noted that the focus this year will be the Cooperstown and Omaha teams but moving forward we need to develop a more holistic approach.

Fundraising

Discussion regarding fundraising and the role of the fundraising position on the Board. Discussion was that the Board position is just a help for the Cooperstown and Omaha teams and that the focus of this position should be for overall Board fundraising, not just for the 12u teams.

Youth League

Julie noted April 9th would be Expo day for the Youth League. Julie also asked about field availability and booking that. Typically, the City sends out an email in the next few months for field scheduling. Also, a potential opportunity to work with softball on open dates. There may be a chance that we utilize Carver fields for Youth League as well. Discussion about having one practice every two weeks as the season gets going. Typically, it is all games after the initial practices are over.

Google Workspace

Most everyone seems to be utilizing Google Workspace for CBA business. There are a few board members who aren't that need to get organized with Google Workspace.

Communication Director

Jeremy is working on the February Newsletter. He will note the upcoming Dome time and will be looking for a few more soundbites. We should also plan on having the field cleanup again this spring.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:53 PM.