Board Meeting Date: 05/10/2021

Board Members Present: Kevin Wood, Kristi and Mike Willis, Cliff Walker, Ian Humber, Jennifer Carroll, Sid Andreis, Gary Navarro, Bob Greene, Darin Phelps, Angela Jolliff, Denise Whitmire

Non-Boards Present: Nicole and Jed Taborski, Eileen Barrow

Meeting called to order at 7:35 pm.

1. ***Review and Approve Minutes:***

Cliff motioned to approve the Board minutes for 4/19/2021 and Kristi seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved by the Board.

1. ***Review Finances (Overview by Angela):***
* Current savings: $27,514.29 earned $6.15 in interest.
* Home Run hut: $7,300, but still have a large deposit possibly $15,000.
* General Account: $17,000, but $10,000 to deposit. So possibly $25,000 with sponsor checks outstanding.
* 2020 taxes this year were simplified.
* Fundraiser’s $4,000 from the Oakland Athletics
* $5,000 in other income
* Brokers for baseball (fundraiser created by Jennifer) $2,600.
* Total Receipts $101,400

Angela said that she knows we have the hut remodel planned for next year but would like to do in phases to build up at least $40,000 in savings so we can weather another year down if that were to occur.

Angela plans to have Michelle Cook help her open the envelopes on Thursday as there are discrepancies. Michelle has experience with Hut and deposits, etc. Not saying anyone has taken money. It appears that some envelopes may have been listed with open as opposed to closing amounts. This is just operator error with new volunteers. The discrepancies are small.

Angela said that historically the Hut funds are merged with the General fund, but she would like it to be a standalone fund in order to be able to see transactions since we are now using Square. Angela commended Jennifer in her management of the accounting. The Hut has taken in $20,260 and deducting maintenance and cost of food, has made a profit of $10,162.68.

Kristi is still working on registration.

1. ***Closing Ceremonies:***

Kevin suggested with the change to Yellow tier that we have Closing Ceremonies on May 22nd and keep the ceremony to 45 minutes. He was asking for was looking for different ideas on crowd control. We can block off the area outside the fence along the 50/70 field and the area behind the outfield 50/70 fence. Kristi suggested that the 50/70 bleachers be reserved for the 50/70 parents as this is their last year at the Mark West fields. We will have Seniors in the Parade and we will stage at the basketball courts. We will not be having the carnival or raffle and we have one Minors game at Santa Rosa American that Kevin will see if time can be moved. Games will start at 10 am. We will be honoring Bob Steele (Founding Softball) at Mark West. Kevin is still getting information.

The intent of the Closing Ceremony is to recognize the players, Coaches, Managers, Sponsors, and all the Volunteers that make this League happen.

1. ***Hi-a-Rama:***

We are going to hold off on having the Hit-a-Rama this year and roll over the Sponsors donations to next year. Any Sponsors that want a refund will be given one.

1. ***All Stars:***

50/70 Sectionals July 1st-July7th

This will be occurring the same time as Majors and 10 and 11 U All Stars, but we are not hosting those.

Kevin spoke with Rick, our DA and Little League is only charging $200 for the 12U as the World Series this year will not be International, only US teams. There will be two teams from each region. So State is the highest that 50/70 and Seniors can go. We will be saving about $1,000 in fees. We will have a better understanding who is hosting the 10, 11 and 12 U teams as Mark West is hosting 50/70 All Stars 6/19-6/24-25? Will have better idea after attend District meeting. Kristy is working with the Managers on their All-Star selections.

She expects to get selections for 50/70 next week and lower divisions by the beginning of next week. A lot of paperwork is required for the lower division’s newer players, always a challenging task. We will not have a Juniors All Stars team as we only have 9 players and the double roster players will be playing All Stars for their divisions.

1. ***Fall Ball:***

The registration for Fall Ball is posted on the website. Registration opens on May 24 and closes on June 30. Kevin will not linger on registration this year. Late registers will only play if there is an opening. Coaches are a big issue Hopefully we will get volunteers. Numbers have declined due in part to travel ball pulling the skilled players. Practices will begin on July 26 with games starting on 8/21 and concluding on 10/30.

1. ***Miscellaneous:***
* Kevin said that the Juniors Northern California would be playing at the Healdsburg Recreational Park July 24-29. Exact information will be available from the District before the event.
* Kristi has a friend on the Board for the Knight’s football league that would like to put up a popup tent outside of the entrance to our fields to advertise for players. Kevin said that would be okay.
* Ian asked about having 10- year-olds on the 11U All Stars rather than 10U. Kristi said that it is difficult for 10-year-old’s that do not have drop third strike to learn this and if brought up a lot of work to teach. It is a discussion for the Managers. Petaluma will have a 12U, not sure about 11U or 10U. Santa Rosa American 11 U only; Westside only has 3 Majors teams; Elmo, Sebastopol only 3; Rincon Valley has the most. We are the only league that kept our 50/70 teams 13- year- old’s. We kept lower number of teams to step up competition. Half the kids on 50/70 will not make All Stars. This is just how it is.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

/drw

Next Board Meeting: Monday 06/14/2021