

OSA Board Meeting
April 11, 2023

Attendees:

Brandon Oslund
Anne Hess
Ryan Hartneck
Erika Kastamo
Toby Tyler
Amy Kubista
Jamie Bishop
Lindsey Stevens
Cami Dahlstrom

Not in attendance:

Davida Suiter
Brette Esterbrooks
Brandon Schliinz

Approval of February Minutes- Anne motions to approve meeting minutes. Lindsey seconds. All in favor.

Toby- Finances

Toby gives a detailed overview of checking accounts and assets. There is roughly 80K in checking and 30K in savings. Total assets should be around 65k in checking after the season and spring expense checks are clear. Expenses in 2023 similar to 2022. Income is higher by 8K due to increase in donation, increased participation, and heavily due to fundraising. Biggest expense is field fees, umpire fees, and tournament fees. We also owe OAC money for room and auditorium rentals.

Anne- Uniforms

They are a go! Uniforms are shipping or have shipped. Practice shirt contest has a winner. Shirts need to be confirmed and Lindsey needs to push out PR to celebrate Reese winning.

Brandon S- Fundraising

20 donors in total. 12 of them were grand slams. Logos have been sent to the photographer and banners will be made quickly. Well done!

Ryan- Player Development

Feedback on coaches clinic. Goal is to create consistency within the program.

Amy- Fields/Umpires

Indoor space is reserved through the end of April. If coaches aren't using the gym space, let Amy know so we don't get charged for them.

There are no field updates yet for game schedules.

FYI- Our contact for Maple Plain fields has resigned.

Since there is an ump shortage, we are able to use umpers from our community or use them as backups. We are in agreement to prioritize umpers from our community and then reach out to Jason, our regional umpire coordinator. We are in agreement to have adult umpires for older ages. For 8U A, we are in agreement that umpires should be certified/trained.

We can negotiate the price to pay our umpires. We need to determine a rate for OSA.

If we have community members who are interested in umpiring, Jason will organize a training session. Umpires need to be certified to have insurance.

Cami is going to reach out to her team and see what our community members can provide.

Pricing

8U A- \$40/hour + 30 minutes kid pitch/additional half game. Need to establish a list of available umpires. Ryan will reach out to those people. Cami is confident she will have enough girls to complete the training (which includes registration).

First three weeks request umpires until the third week of May.

10U- TBD

12U/HS- Fully staffed umpire request

Pictures- Schumann gym is reserved. Cafeteria is occupied until 5pm with a chess tournament.

Cami- Equipment

Additional Equipment needs are listed below.

10 tees

10 buckets + 5 extra lids

12 dozen - 11 inch balls - Each team gets an extra 12 balls in a bucket

We have 4 bags of chalk- Need 25 bags

2 blue pitching machines from Amazon

Bulk- Ice packs and bandaids

Tape measures for each bag- Need 4

Lite Flites and Whiffles

Clickers for balls and strikes

Brandon makes a motion to approve said list of equipment. Anne seconds. All approved.

Brandon O- Travel Updates

We might not have enough girls for a 14U team next season. Brandon is going to reach out to parents.

MN Softball Updates- Team meeting/game creation format could be better and more organized.

Parent/Player meeting- There were way more questions and feedback because of the short time frame. Recommendation would be to space things out next year.

Travel updates- All evaluation information is correlated.

Recommendations-

Form a small subcommittee to meet prior to team formation.

Travel director role is too big for one person at the beginning of the season. Next year, we want to sign up for tournaments earlier next year then assign roster and coaches.

Consider implementing policies that lock in players to teams to ease formation. There is a long conversation regarding a subcommittee to initially form teams. It is determined that there will be 3 people in that subcommittee.

Other Business:

Picture Night

Team list on how we want the timing to go. Liaison to help pose the girls. Create a schedule.

20 teams. Anne will pose people and Lindsey will create the schedule.

Independence Field Subcommittee Update

We have a fundraising chair and members of the community have stepped into various roles.

Game Changer- Coaches recommendation to mask the stats.

Brandon motions to adjourn the meeting. Lindsey Seconds.