



P.L.A.Y. Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Sunday, November 12, 2023

5:30 pm

Prior Lake City Hall

Current Board Members:

Shreve Parsley

Brent Siegel

Lindsay Wilkerson

Justin Slocum

Debbie Aidas

Michelle Schommer

Tommy Thompson

Staff: Chris Fleek

AGENDA

New Business:

- Softball Budget - Tyler (~5:30 pm)
 - LAX Budget - Dan (~6 pm)
- Baseball Budget - Nate/Joel (~6:30 pm)
- Spring/Summer Update - Tommy
 - Fall/Winter Update - Lindsay
 - PCA Update - Stu
- Registration Update - Michelle
 - Tech Update - Debbie
- Miracle League Update - Chris
- Sports Board Structure - Chris

Shreve called meeting into motion - 5:32pm

Board Member Topics:

Chris Fleek

- Discussion of Sport board roles – what are minimum requirements for each board?
 - o Tabled to better understand pain points for each sport
 - o Possible that each sport might need to do things differently

Shreve Parsley – President

- Multi-Sport | Multi-Children in a family - can we look into potential for financial break with families that have multiple kids playing multiple sports (Tyler brought this up)
- Grainwood field - how can we start this discussion with the district?
- How do we start the process of a facility for PLAY to satisfy all sports
 - turf
 - fields

Brent Siegel - VP

Treasurer - Justin Slocum

Summer/Spring - Tommy Thompson

- Add language on tournament signups regarding photo release
 - softball and baseball
- **Referee Scheduling** - losing Roxanne for baseball – will need to replace resource.

- **Baseball:**
 - **Future State:**
 - \$9K deficit due to \$60K payment into Ponds project
 - **2024 Budget Overview:**
 - Review by Joel and new VP of Baseball for 2024 - Nate Williamson
 - discussion of current fees, specifically to pre-K/K
 - will likely not be hosting 2024 state tournament
 - 1-year commitment with Mystic to do non-casino advertising
 - hitting/pitching/catching clinics - partnering with MASH and Starters for this winter
 - Savage Dome - expense is a reclassification from gym rental
 - ramping up coach training
 - officials / umpires - per game \$ will continue to increase
 - look at registration fees to cover costs in the future
 - how do we continue to grow our ## of umpires (what if we scheduled 2 per game)
 - Baseball expense went up due to the redesign
 - baseballs - practice balls and game balls
 - PLAY and Anti-Bully logos will be on the balls
 - will sell these balls at our events
 - **2024 Tryout callbacks - consideration**
 - Identify possible discrepancies in evaluations
 - Sunday at MASH to bring back certain athletes within each age group to get a further look at their skills for sake of comparison - per age group
 - communication needs to be spot on
 - How can we align on this with PLAY and make consistent within other sports ie. softball, cheer and LAX to talk about the tryout process for each sport to learn
 - Winter skills clinics – registration to be created
 - Tommy made a motion to approve the 2024 Baseball Budget. Brent 2nd it = **APPROVED.**
- **LAX:**
 - **Future State:**
 - \$49K in reserves - how does LAX envision using their reserves
 - turf fields (currently cannot host state tournaments due to not having enough turf fields)
 - Hamilton | Grainwood options for turfing fields
 - invest in regulation fields for the boys
 - irrigation | water on the fields
 - develop a recurring expense for replacing equipment on a more regular basis
 - **2024 Budget Overview**
 - 2nd most profitable sport
 - \$49K in reserves
 - Review with Dan
 - “settling into a groove”

- Fees will stay the same - no changes
 - implemented that the kids will purchase their own uniforms
 - gym rental fee is increasing
- Lindsay made a motion to approve the 2024 Lacrosse Budget. Brent 2nd it = **APPROVED.**
- **Softball:**
 - **Update:**
 - moving Spring sign up to earlier for tryout changes
 - **Future State:**
 - \$89K in reserves - how does softball envision using their reserves
 - Ponds renovation is great - 2025 phase 2 - how can softball influence what things they could use to continue to improve the fields
 - fencing in the outfield is one idea - replace what's there
 - Concession Stand - spend money to improve the facility
 - Turfing the batting cages (Tom Larson has some to
 - **2024 Budget Overview:**
 - Review
 - \$89K in reserves
 - Last year registration was good - up quite a bit for 2023 and should hold
 - Introduced new options for the girls this year
 - Intro to fast pitch
 - 14u teams - will go down to only 1 year in 2024
 - 2023 had cut off dates - caused some confusion (USA softball only made the change)
 - Fees will stay the same - no increase
 - Uniform costs have increased and will likely be passed on to kids
 - Will no longer be hosting the fall tournament due to field size
 - Sponsorship Donation - will go down in 2024 due to Belzer's being the last year of their 5-year sponsorship
 - Concessions - reduction on budget for end of 2023
 - Winter Development Programs
 - 1 team - 12u winter development team
 - 3x week practices at Catalysts - through Catalyst as well (non-parent coaches)
 - 8 dome practices
 - 2 tournaments
 - Pitching / Catching Clinics
 - all clinics are full
 - Winter Skills Clinics – registrations to be created
 - 2024 will need new equipment - added to budget
 - Team Genius will be implemented in 2024
- Brent made a motion to approve the 2024 Softball Budget. Lindsay 2nd it = **APPROVED.**

Registration - Michelle Schommer

- **In progress:**
 - Track is ready for review
 - Tennis - to be set up
- **NEW:**
 - Winter Skills for Softball
 - Winter Skills for Baseball

Technology - Deb Adidas

- New e-mail addresses almost fully in use

Miracle League Update

- Currently approx.. \$125K in reserve, full cost of field install approx. \$450K.
- Waiting for notification of “next round” from PL Rotary – funding support
- Re-design of ML Board in progress – more project based moving forward as opposed to traditional sport board roles. Traditional roles to be assigned once ML is ready for games.

Brent made the motion to adjourn Executive Board Meeting; **Lindsy** 2nd it - approved at **8:59 pm**

December Board meeting in December will be at the VFW - Sunday December 10th