



December 17, 2023 | 7:00pm CT

Board Members

Steve Schumacher, President | Justin Larson, Vice President | Richie Brodsky, Treasurer | Heidi Hebert, Secretary | Sharon Raasch, Communication Dir. | Allison Carpenter, MN ICE Dir. | Amanda Gage-Didier, In-House Dir. | Bob Curtis, Concessions Dir. | Jenn Bernard, Uniforms Dir. | Dave Gindorff, Equipment Dir. | Jesse Bueno, Coach Development Dir. | Craig Dose, Player Development Dir. | Sue Boxrud, Fundraising Dir. | Nate Teppo, Fields Dir. | Nick Borsdorf, Traveling Dir. | Nicole Sederski-Vadnais, Tournament Dir.

Call to Order

Steve called the regular Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:02 pm at the Lakeville Chamber of Commerce in Lakeville, MN. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

- Present: Steve Schumacher, Justin Larson, Richie Brodsky, Heidi Hebert, Sharon Raasch, Amanda Gage-Didier, Dave Gindorff, Jesse Bueno, Craig Dose, Nate Teppo, Nick Borsdorf
- Absent: Allison Carpenter, Bob Curtis, Jenn Bernard, Nicole Sederski-Vadnais
- Guests: None

Approve Agenda

- Agenda reviewed with no additions
- Motion by Amanda to approve the agenda for the meeting
- Seconded and carried without dissent

Approve Minutes of Last Meeting

- Minutes of the November 19, 2023 board meeting were reviewed with no changes noted
- Motion by Steve to approve the meeting minutes
- Seconded and carried without dissent

Reports

- Finance Report: November Financials
 - YTD: Total revenue \$89K on a budget of \$64K, Net Profit \$19K on a budget of \$(10)K
 - Richie to meet with bank re: money market

Old Business

- Review of By-laws
 - Meetings to start in January
- Tournament Updates
 - Lakeville Classic, May 10-12, 2024
 - 3 teams already signed up, on good track right now
 - Grand Slam, June 28-30, 2024
 - 18 teams already signed up, on good track right now
- Fundraising Events Update

- Heggies Pizza, February 2024
- Season Kick-off, April 2024
- Catchers Gear Incentive
 - Reached out to teams, many of the catchers have gear already, sized up some kids to provide LFSA gear
 - Reached out to other associations in area and found most don't incentivize
 - Continue conversation in January

New Business

- Review of Tri-County Directors Meeting
 - Finalized fees \$650/team for registration up \$50 from last year
 - 2-year agreement with umpires \$60/game up \$5 from last year
 - MN Softball looking for host site for 12U "C" Qualifiers, we are unable to accommodate
 - Eau Claire voted in on conditional basis for one year, there are stipulations
 - Motion to remove St Paul Park from Tri-County, tabled to hear St Paul Park side
 - MN Softball player development director opening
 - Player eligibility, players must be rostered online with MN Softball
 - Updated Guest Player Network, can borrow from team at level or below, 12U player cannot sub/play at
 14U if participated in State Qualifier
 - Tournaments are starting to be posted on MN Softball
 - LFSA Flagged for Non-compliance regarding competition committee
 - Based on our 10U program (one of our "C" teams went undefeated), MN Softball "watching"
- 2024 Summer Registration
 - Open 1/2/2024-2/9/2024 (travel), February 2024 (in-house)
 - 8U traveling evaluations, 2/16 at TCO dome, set up 5:30
 - Done by board members, board member older kids to help move 8's around
 - Removed pitcher/catcher designation from registration
 - Need promocode for head coaches
- 2024 Summer Fees
 - PY 10U & Up \$450, 8U \$250
 - CY 10U & Up \$450 (effectively \$485 with evaluation fee which was included in last years increase), 8U
 \$250
- 2024 Summer Dibs
 - Commitment from Families Hours Required
 - Buyout Option Increase to \$500
 - Motion by Heidi to stop collecting dibs checks for traveling, issue invoice if dibs not complete, second by Steve, seconded and carried without dissent
 - Further discussion needed regarding how to handle in-house not completing dibs and not paying their invoice
- Tournament Cost
 - Lakeville Classic Compared to Others
 - Higher but we are bumped up due to higher umpire fees
- Concession permit (need to submit application in January)
 - Paid
- Nick to reach out to Managers to determine good date for Team Manager meeting
- Email from schools re: KTMS bleachers that are going to be thrown away, do we want to make a contribution to replace? If on field 1, then yes. If only field 2, then no. Nate to find out further details.
- Utility Cart
 - Bob to research pricing for used utility cart

Future meeting topics

- Review of board member duties

- Update team manager role description
 - How to run website; Nationals pins and costumes; End of year party; Coaches gifts
- Finalize summer 2024 dibs requirements
 - Creation of a dibs schedule over winter/spring to be released to families all at once so families can make plans
- Miracle League, Sue to handle partnership
 - Nothing until closer to time
- Website overhaul Amanda, Sharon, Sue
 - Expected January
- Drainage at Aronson, Nate to contact City
 - Waiting for City to set meeting

Closing

- Motion for meeting adjournment by Amanda at 8:50 pm
- Seconded and carried without dissent

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Heidi Hebert 12/17/2023