

July 2024 Soderville Baseball Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 07/14/2024

Present: Eric P., Nate, Eric L., Corryn, Greg, Tim, Troy

Not Present: Terry

Call to Order at 5:32 PM by Eric P.

Approval of Board Minutes for June, Greg motioned to approve, Tim second motion. Motion carried.

Public Forum – N/A, just board members present.

Old Business

- Storage Container Update – This is on hold until the batting cages are done.
- Batting Cage Update – Jesse will auger holes for pole footings the week of July 22nd through July 26th. We will need to put in the poles after that.

New Business

- Concession Stand Issues – Anoka County department of health has shut down selling any cooked food. We need permits and a temporary license to sell temperature- controlled food. Anoka County provided a list of things we need to do/get in place in order to sell food requiring temperature-controlled storage. We need to get these things in place as soon as possible so we can open the concession stand for the 10U and 12U tournament the weekend of July 19-21.
- Fall Ball interest (How much do we want to be involved with MYAS Fall Ball?) – The committee agreed we won't host any Fall Ball. Possibly include a question about this in the survey to gauge interest for next year.
- Anders Flaa Tournament (Coach/Umpire Interactions) – Many umping issues. Seems like there could be some bias in the umping. Eric P. will have some discussions with Gina about Anders Flaa to see how we will handle it next year.
- Calling Games due to weather by Soderville Baseball – Has been a coach's decision historically. One day this year, we called the games due to predicted bad weather. But that evening turned out to be good. Going forward, we will go back to it being coach's decision. The league will not call games.
- Porta-potty at Blaine High School field and at Soderville field. Those at Soderville field may need to be changed out more frequently next year. Porta-potty at BHS field was not there.

Committee Reports

- Budget (Greene) – We're a bit over-budget this year. We will need to request \$5K at board meeting for batting cages.
- Tournaments -
 - Directors for
 - 6U&8U (July 12-14) Greene
 - 10U&12U (July 19-21) Smentek
 - 13U All-Star (Aug 3rd) Greg
 - 13U and 12U Rec State (Aug 9-11) Potthoff + ???
- Junior League Baseball (6U-10U) -
 - Team Hallich won 6U
 - Team _Weiss won 8UGenerally went well. One delay for lightning.

- Senior League Baseball (12U and up) -
 - All-Star Game for 12U on Tuesday 7/16 in Andover
- Tournament Team Baseball (Schraufnagel) -
 - Need to start recruiting and opening up registration
Zenk is a good option to recruit for coach.
 - Committee agreed to open registration on August 1st, close on Sept 15th. Refund if they cancel by Sept 30th (before we announce teams). We will announce teams 1st week in October.
- Uniforms (Schesso) – Shirts for All-Star game complete. Will need to get shirts, etc. ordered for any players added to teams going to 10U and 12U State Tournaments. These will be known shortly after the 10U and 12U year-end tournaments.
- Equipment (Laumeyer) - Will try to get baseballs for next year this fall. Will need to get a couple new sets of catcher's gear (approx \$2K)
- Development & Training (Laumeyer)- no new discussion on this topic
- Umpire Coordinator (Open) -
 - New position for 2025 to work with officials and verifying whether games are assigned or not
Need to get this position added to the web site. Also need to try to get more young parents involved in the committee. Corryn suggested having a baseball informational meeting at the beginning of the year – for parents and coaches and the committee. Communicate need for new committee members and open positions at this meeting.

Other –

- Need to discuss rules at next meeting.
- Soderville Classic date – Preliminarily setting the date for Mother's Day Weekend, 2025. May 9th – May 11th. Will get flowers for the teams there Sunday for Mother's Day.
- Need to discuss increasing the volunteer fee next year.
- Need to discuss increasing Tournament Director pay for next year.

6:49 Greg moved to adjourne meeting. Eric L. second motion. Motion carried by committee vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 PM.

Next meeting date: August 11th @ 5:30 PM