

CGAA Softball Board Agenda

October 21st, 2024

6:30 p.m.

Virtual

Long Range Planning Meeting Session I

Meeting Called By: Amanda Albert, President

Type of Meeting: Monthly Board Meeting

Facilitator: Amanda Albert

Note Taker: Kayla Seerup

Attendance: Amanda Albert, Kayla Seerup, Matt Kerttula, Kris Steffen, Alex Tucci, Karyn Cronin, Angie Letourneau, Danielle Weise, Charlie Wilwert, Kelly Nelson (Treasurer Trainee)

Director of Events & Promotions: Kris Steffen

1. Schedule for raffles – must be provided to CGAA Gambling Manager
 - a. Winter Raffle is in the works with Diane CGAA Gambling director. We cannot get 12 extra books (1 extra per team)
 - b. We are not offering extra books this year. It will just be 1 book per registered player.
 - i. If any player wants to sell more, we are asking them to talk to their teammates and if their team is sold out, we will reach out to other teams and help unsold tickets as well- the proceeds will go to the girls team that actually sold the tickets.
 - ii. Waiting on Carbone's that January 27th will work for them for the drawing date at 7pm.
 1. Tickets will not be printed until we hear back from Carbone's that date and time that works for them.
 2. Should be handed out no later than the week before Thanksgiving
2. Spirit wear Store
 - a. Running one with Advanced- there is a new design guy at advanced and Kris is planning on meeting with him soon and have the store up and running by November 1st and close by middle of November. Will arrive before Christmas
3. Traveling Uniforms for the upcoming season
 - a. Kris had a conversation with Wilson, and she was very impressed with them.
 - i. Price is similar or cheaper
 - ii. No charges for any design changes-Unlike Boombah
 - iii. They do a store where families can get 20% off of bats and gloves
 - iv. They have 2 factories, the main is out of Tennessee-everything will be coming out of Tennessee-no customs
 - v. They have a rebate program that 20% in custom items and 5% on in stock and 5% on gear that will come back to our program
 - vi. We can set up a store link for bags, helmets, pants, along with spirit wear.
 1. We will set up a separate store for parents to order their kids jerseys and they will be responsible for that.
 2. Can do socks and belts from them but the socks are twice the cost, but they are nicer socks

We have all decided to order samples*

Action Items

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Communications Director: Bridgitt Looney

1. Calendar updates on our website
2. Important date announcements once finalized
 - a. IH Clinics
 - b. Traveling Clinics
 - c. Coaches Clinics
 - d. Uniform try-ons
3. IH Registration opening

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Member at Large I & II: Charlie Wilwert (MAL I) Dev Hoven (MAL II)

1. Managing all background checks
 - a. Background checks will be run through Minnesota softball and trusted coaches
 - i. Charlie and Dev will work together and dev take care of.

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Traveling Director: Tim Dana

1. Tryout Process – what worked, improvements
2. Pencil in Traveling tryout dates for 2025/2026
3. MN Softball Directors Meeting 11/6 in Medina
4. Coaches training – background check, ACE, for MN Softball
 - a. Training to be completed by: _____

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In House Director: Alex Tucci

1. SEML Updates
 - a. OAA possibly returning for PB2
 - b. Como possibly returning at RK
 - c. Unsure about SPPAA-Waiting to here from Katie about this- They are welcome to CGAA if they want to join us
 - d. Meeting to be scheduled with all Associations- should be set soon. First meeting should be in November.
2. Registration opening for 2025 IH league-
 - a. Soft opening in December with main opening in January
3. Last season registrations – 3 T-Ball; 4 PB1; 5 PB2; 1PW; 2 RK; 1 Minors (14UC)
4. Trusted Coaches – need to share log in; look at the current program set up
5. 1 night pitcher and catchers coach development day.
 - a. Ask high school and parent helpers that have pitching and coaching experience to help direct the new and old coaches on what to do with developing them.

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Fields & Admin Director: Danielle Weise

1. Field and batting cage closures
 - a. 3 dibs signed up to help- will be removing 10/24
2. Field equipment ordering- when removing bases will look over all fields and making a list for this upcoming season-
 - a. Jim removed mounds and that's on them
3. Winterizing the cages- Looking at Thursday October 24th- potentially using the dibs if we can
 - a. Take front toss nets off as well when winterizing cages
4. Moving pitching machines
 - a. Leave them in the boxes
5. Umpires for the next season
 - a. Laurie's cost will be going up \$1 a game
 - b. Laurie was thinking of holding a pre-season tourney 1 day or 2 day while she trains her new umpires
6. Field assignments
7. Off season training –
 - a. Have not given traveling field assignments yet for traveling yet
 - i. Sounds like we are getting the baseball field at cgms- cgms 3, but not getting the glacial Valley any more as a softball field (baseball is taking that)
 - ii. There might be construction at Crestview for parking for high school
 - iii. Amanda asked about Lamar with A permanent softball com, if it's an option for us and if we can put up fences
 1. In the works and talking with them about some sort of fences that stay up
 2. Talked to Dan about if East Ridge or us gets Lamar and we just book them and then if East ridge needs them they have to go through us if we don't need them.
 - b. Emailed Gail with gym time starting in November starting from 6:30-9:30-Pitcher and Catcher
 - c. Pac starting in January on Sundays from 2-9 or 3-9, deciding what is available
8. West Rink
 - a. Need to let Jordan know what days we want
 - i. Friday 5-9:30pm and Sunday 2-9pm (Matt decides how he wants to split it up)
 1. Becomes available March 22nd

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Tournament Director: Angie Letourneau

1. Pride in the Pack Tournament
 - a. 5/30 – 6/1
 - i. Hoping to only use Lamar for 10U and up
 1. Looking into
 2. 8u will still be at CGMS
 - b. Cost for the tournament
 - i. 10U/12U- \$350 for 4 game guarantee

ii. 8U-\$200 3 game guarantee

Angie is making a motion to change the tourney cost from \$350- \$375 for the PIP Tournament for age levels 10u-12u. Kris seconds. All approve, motion carries.

2. 10U NAFA Northern Nationals

a. Weekend permits are all scheduled, along with parade

3. DIBS discussion – do we need to look at updating DIBS for the 2025/26 season

**Angie is making a motion to up the dibs charge to \$400 for 2026 season and above, if they don't fulfil or opt out and pay \$400. Kayla 2nd, all in favor, all agree, motion carries

*Looking into helping SEML Woodbury tourney if needed for volunteer time.

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Committee Updates: 2025 Traveling Team Formations

1. 2025 Traveling Teams

a. 8U – 2

b. 10U – 5

c. 12U – 2

d. 14U – 1; 1 – 2 roster spots available

e. HS – 1

All teams are full besides 14U, We are not accepting any new players if not at the 14u player

President Updates: Amanda Albert

1. Project updates

2. Review CGAA Softball Rules of Play

a. Any revisions need to be discussed and approved by the end of October and voted on in our November Board Meeting

i. Please Review and come with any updates to that meeting

3. Upcoming Board Meeting

a. LRPM Session II

i. Wednesday October 23rd at 6 p.m. – In person @ YSB

b. November Board Meeting 11/3 at 6 p.m. – in person @ YSB

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Kayla motion to adjourn meeting at 9:11pm, Angie 2nd, all agree, meeting is adjourned.
