

Inver Grove Heights Baseball Association Meeting
Minutes

Date: Sunday, October 11th, 2020
6pm
At VMCC

Board: Jeremiah Ostebo-President, John Schmid-Treasurer, Ryan Callahan-Vice President, Sarah Gutzman-Secretary

Directors: Jessica Ostebo-Fields Director, Tabitha Alberghetti-Fundraising Director, Jon Bell-Away Tournament Director, Kari Miller-Volunteer Director, Sarah Callahan-Concessions/Events Director, Jake Devney-In-house Director, Laura Devney-Media Director, Josh Norgard-Tournament Director, Nick Shiltz-Coaches Director

Absent: Jake Lundell

Members Present: None

- I. Call to order by Jeremiah at 6:12pm
- II. Approval of minutes from 9/13/2020 Motioned by Jon Bell and seconded by Sarah Callahan
- III. Open floor for member issues/topics-None
- IV. Director Reports
 - a. **Jeremiah Ostebo/President:** No additional report.
 - b. **Ryan Callahan/Vice President:** We have been working with Zach and Jack from the cages to build an off season program. We are finalizing the proposal this week and hope to have a schedule to share with everyone at the meeting. Will be \$120 for 10 sessions. Email will go out to all families soon and will be broken up by age groups. Voted to have IGHBA to partner with The Cages for \$5100 for cage rental. 11-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain.
 - c. **Sarah Gutzman/Secretary:** No additional report
 - d. **John Schmid – Treasurer:** Mentioned at the last meeting I am also proposing the same for November's meeting and all future meetings (making the meetings the 2nd Sunday). September's bank activity has been reconciled and entered into QuickBooks. I'll have my normal printed summary. With activity winding down, the balance is about the same as August. Need the cash to deposit to the bank from the last few Sunday's of concessions sales. Head coaches/assistant coach's refunds. Similar to what is being done for Extra Innings, I am recommending we have someone audit what I do. Since we are heading into the off-season, maybe I can work with someone within the board or director group and meet once in November for 1-2 hours? Can't imagine it would take too much time. Was motioned for changing board meetings from 1st Sunday of each month to the 2nd Sunday of each month to allow for Treasurer to balance out month ends. Will need to change by-laws as well. Voted on and 13-yes and 0-no.
 - e. **Jon Bell – Travel Coordinator:** Nothing new to report
 - f. **Josh Norgard – Tournament Director:** Need to determine what ages we are hosting

tournaments for and which weekends. The application for MBT if it's the same as last year is about the same time our next meeting is. I'd like to get it all set up before that meeting including a link on our website as we'll start getting some signups starting around Thanksgiving.

- g. Kari Miller – Volunteer Director:** We are still struggling to get folks to sign up for the meat raffle at Celts during the Viking's games. The meat raffle is a requirement for running pull tabs at Celts, so it is important to keep this fully staffed. If we are not getting members to volunteer for this, we need the board to staff this. Now that fall ball is over, hoping schedules have freed up a bit. I would also like a discussion be it at the meeting or in subcommittee, volunteer hour requirements for the 2021 season. My recommendation would be to increase hours from 12 to 15 if we want to cover our needs with all volunteer time and not pay for help at our commitments for next year. I have attached a quick summary of past hours and data. Was discussed and motion made for volunteer hours to be 15 and fee to be \$300. Vote was held 6-yes, 1-no 4-abstain. 15 hrs/family will stay. Email will be sent out that families can start their hours for 2021 season now, hrs must be fulfilled for 2021 season by 8/31/21.
- h. Nick Schiltz – Coaches Director:** We have evaluations for all teams except the 14/15 team and the 10 team from this summer. Reminders have been sent to those coaches to get the evaluations done. We also have 26 replies so far on the Parent Evaluation form. Fall ball wraps up this week and from what I've seen/heard it's been going very well so far, and we've certainly had decent weather for it all fall.
- i. Sarah Callahan – Concessions Director:** Nothing new to report. Have some ideas I would like to talk about but not needing to now. Can wait until first of year and or sub-committee.
- j. Jessica Ostebo – Fields Director:** Cancelling Winter Clinics since we will be doing cages and no guarantee that we will be able to use the school gyms.
- k. John Lundell - Equipment Director:** Need to collect all equipment from fall coaches and get all equipment to storage. Date was scheduled for board to clean out storage and get equipment put in storage.
- l. Laura Devney – Media and Communications Director:** Sent out the MEA Baseball camp to all members. We need to determine if we will do a winter apparel sale again - with or without the HS team. Send out email to families about volunteer hours and also about registration changes. Registration opens December 1st.
- m. Jake Devney – In-House League Director:** Nothing new to report for in house. I assume we will want to try to join with the league that the city used the last few years as to not rock the boat. They kind of get things going after the first of the year. If not, we should start looking for other options pretty soon. I don't really see a reason to switch though.
- n. Tabitha Alberghetti – Fundraising Director:** Net profit year to date \$62,000. This month has been slower but have also been doing the meat raffles during the Vikings Games. Motion was made to have Extra Innings to donate \$15,000 to IGHBA to purchase new uniforms for all players and coaches for 2021 season. Vote was held, 13-yes 0-no. Josh Norgard volunteered to work on new designs for uniforms. A more detailed report of the charitable gambling activities is available upon request.

V. Budget overview for 2021

- a. Tiered registration-** Discussed was had regarding options for making registration tiered and board had met prior to meeting and presented numbers with costs and proposed tiered formula. Board made decision to change registration for 11 and under to \$150 and 12 and up to \$225.

b. Uniform Options- Options were discussed and Josh Norgard volunteered to explore options and get prices to bring back to next meeting.

VI. High school coach Zach/Booster updates

Zach was not able to make the meeting. Will attempt to have him join again.

Next Meeting: November 8th at 6pm at VMCC Room #3 or Celt's Pub

Adjournment Motion at 8:09pm by Jake Devney and second by Jessica Ostebo