

## **OSSEO-MAPLE GROVE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

January 16, 2024

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Greg Eckman, 7:06pm

Position	Name	In Attendance
Admin Directors		
President	Greg Eckman	Х
Vice President	Matt Atkinson	X
Secretary	Lindsay Kelley	X
Treasurer	Scott Ross	
Tournament Director	Jared Semerad	
IT Director	Cody Billings	
Training & Development Director	Tait Schneider	Х
Equipment Director	Joe Kelley	X
Volunteer Management Director	Karla Ruhr	X
L	eague Directors	·
Travel Fastpitch Director	Cassy Ludwig	X
House Girls Director	Kim Reed	X
Junior Travel Boys Director	Candy Anderson	X
House Rookie Director (8-9)	Andy Groettum	X
Junior House Director (10-12)	Mike Ryland	X
Senior House Director (13-15)	TBD	
Senior Travel Director	Jeff Ruhr	X
Optional Attendees		
OMGAA Social Media Coordinator	Kelly Williams	X

**Open Forum: None** 

# **December meeting minutes:**

- Greg moves to approve December meeting minutes.
- Jeff seconds motion to approve minutes.
- All in favor, none opposed. December meeting minutes approved.

#### **League Director Reports:**

- Storm Travel Baseball: Candy
  - All apparel is ordered.
  - o Tryouts confirmed for March 10-13<sup>th</sup>, P2P helping out
  - o Registered for 80 tournaments so far
    - Some hotels for out-of-town tournaments
  - Needs Joe to order practice baseball 22 teams, 3 dozen per team.
  - o Idea for Dome time- We could sell a "pass" for people to stop in and throw a ball, etc. when the Dome is available.
  - She took last year's home game schedule as a starting point for this 2024. Within the
    next week or so will have it ready for everyone to make sure it works for all league
    directors.
  - o Pictures will not be digitized this year- players/coaches will be actual sizes!
  - o Webpages need a standard. League directors cannot delete or move pages.
    - Website Standardization Committee: Candy, Matt, Karla, Cody
- Development Director: Tait
  - 2 weeks into winter training
  - Sunday is almost all sold out- great numbers!
  - Pitch Clinic has some spots open- caps at 10
  - Monday P2P Clinic has a few open spots. They are handling the entire Monday clinic registration, payment, etc.
- Rookie League: Andy
  - About to finalize House league Jerseys with CA. Doing an order together with Senior House and Minor/Major.
  - Thinking about asking for sizes up front on registration or having a try-on day so he can have more specific sizing information for the order.
  - We got an email from the city asking to let people know to not park on the grass around the dome.
- House Fastpitch: Kim
  - Took the house stuff from the storage shed to her house to inventory what we have.
     She then went to Dave's to fill in sizing gaps.
  - She might also put sizing info on registration.
  - Dave's has all catching equipment (up to 18U) in stock.
  - Parents can go to Dave's and try everything on.
- Equipment Director: Joe
  - Has started moving gear bags over to the new shed.
  - Will start reaching out to league directors about certain stuff.
  - o Practice balls- Jr. Travel baseball, Minor/Major House, Rookie House- all need

- Senior House: Jeff
  - Working with Andy and Mike on uniforms
- Secretary: Lindsay
  - Has moved all boxes of paperwork from the storage unit to her house. Will go through everything in detail to sort out what can be shredded and what, if any, needs to be saved.
- Minor/Major baseball: Mike
  - Learning a lot from Andy
  - Working with Andy on ordering uniforms
- IT Director: Cody
  - Finally got our domain approved from Go Daddy- will keep an eye on when it's transferred to make sure it's seamless.
  - Working with Scott on Acuity with Dome scheduling
- Vice President: Matt
  - o Is working with Hennepin County on licensing for the Concession Stand.
  - First thing is to finalize the tournament dates to get the license. Currently, we are at 37 days.
  - We need to talk about and decide on what kind of capital equipment we want to invest there. If anyone else rents the space out, they could access our equipment, unless we pull it out for that rental.
  - There is nowhere for us to store food there, so we need a cart to store things in the shed.
- DIBS Director: Karla
  - o 284 public dibs. All of them were filled!
- Travel Fastpitch: Cassy
  - Winter clinics going well
  - First week- 80 kids, last week 65 kids. Then she levels them out. She has 2 coordinators running them/helping her out.
  - She has tryouts Feb 26<sup>th</sup>, then March 3<sup>rd</sup>,

#### **Old Business**

- Storm Director Role- move to 2 roles.
  - One thing Candy would take out of Junior Travel director would be Tournaments.
  - With Jared moving on in the fall, should we revamp the Tournament Director role to include all junior travel baseball and softball tournaments?
- Storm Season Tryouts- move to fall.
  - Handout describing pro/con list
  - o Bring in fastpitch, travel, etc. This would be for everyone.
  - Top leagues in our state are doing fall tryouts
  - o Jeff will research and we will continue to talk about this

#### **New Business**

- Gleason Opening Day 2024
  - Penny Atkinson- team manager for Minneapolis Millers. She will help out to organize
     Opening Day.
  - Both softball and baseball games happening on opening day, maybe even a HS game to create a strong sense of community.
  - She will start attending monthly meetings with updates
  - Next steps: Prelim budget, finalize date, etc.
- Field Maintenance
  - The city of MG used to have 8 workers. Went down to 1 worker and they told us all the parents had to do it. Are we asking our parents to do the right things? It is appropriate for parents to be doing this? Could the city take this responsibility back?
- 2024 Registration Review

### Adjournment

- Andy moves to adjourn the meeting.
- Joe seconds the motion to adjourn the meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:56pm

Submitted by Lindsay Kelley, OMGAA Secretary

Minutes are not considered official until approved by the Board at the next meeting.