

April 2nd, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

All present EXCEPT: Jeanne

Meeting Begins at 7:14pm

In-House/Senior league

- Coaches meeting for Pee Wee and Up will be April 18th at 6:30pm
 - No location yet
- Registration has closed with the following numbers/teams for each level.
 - Rookies 38 – 3 teams of 11
 - Taking 5 girls from rookies and moving them up to minors (all girls moving up are 2nd year minors)
 - Minors 15 – 2 teams of 10
 - Majors 17 – 1 team so far, looking for 3 more players to make 2 teams of 10
- Uniform fitting
 - After 3 fitting dates still have a decent amount of girls needing to try on uniforms
 - 4 Minors, 13 Majors and 13 Rookies
 - Last and Final uniform try on scheduled for Tuesday April 4th at 6pm-7pm at Grey Cloud Elementary
 - Any girl that does not show up for this we will pick sizes for them off of what they choose online for their shirt and short sizes.
 - Send out e-mail to the families of the 30 girls that still need to try on, clarifying that they need to attend this last fitting if not we will not be responsible if their jerseys/pants do not fit.

Women's League

- 5 teams are formed, they are working on the 6th team
- Would like to have access to the batting cages (In the past this has not been an option)
 - Need to go through the training, and follow the rules
 - Available for their use any time after 6pm
- If they get a sponsorship, do they have to wear the CG skittle shirts?
 - Must have Cottage Grove somewhere on the shirt
 - Must be approved by CGAA
 - Women's league only
- Team bags
 - They would like some knee savors
 - Also would like to have 4 batting helmets per team
 - We will give them all that we have, and they can pass them from coach to coach each year. We do not supply batting helmets anymore, but they can have what we have left to keep.
- Season schedules
 - All money will be turned in on June 1st
 - Need schedule done by June 5th (Brad)
 - Would like to keep a couple of the teams each night on the same field, without having to move all 6 teams around to all different fields between games
 - 1st game will be week of June 13th
 - End of season the 1st week of August
 - End of the year Tournament is the week of August 8th
 - They would like to add a constellation bracket to their tournament

In House/ Junior League

- Registration has closed with the following numbers/teams for each level.
 - T-ball – 2 teams
 - Pitchball – 4 teams
 - Pee Wee – 5 teams
- Chrissy will be putting teams together Tomorrow 4/3/17
- Practices will start as soon as fields open
- Pee Wee all-star game will be in Woodbury on July 15th
- Pitchball all-star game is in Cottage Grove June 17th
- SEML
 - Pee Wees rules being updated and agreed upon from all cities
 - Meeting tomorrow night 4/3/17
 - Look into setting up Logo
 - End of the year tournament will be held in Cottage Grove
 - Costs will be split between cities
 - Facility rental, Umps, participation awards and Trophies
 - We will provide all volunteers for tournament (dib hours) and keep all proceeds from concessions

Batting cages/Fields

- Fields should be ready to go by April 15th
- Sign up – Brad will get them up and running this week and then show Heather how to maintain them
- Batting cages set up and Bases out
 - Saturday April 8th from 9am to 12pm, everyone meet at batting cages
 - Tim putting up 10 dibs spots available for set up
 - 2 people per site
 - 4 people/board members at batting cages: Dave, Tim, Troy and Heather

Uniforms

- Traveling
 - Jerseys are at advanced getting names and numbers, should be ready by Friday April 7th
 - Spirit wear should be available the following week
 - Pants have been delivered and are in Brad's garage
- In house skittle Shirts
 - In our inventory we have 4 full team sets, and a few more sets that just need a couple of shirts to make full sets for teams
 - Use for T-Ball and Pitchball this year to clear out inventory and then move to Dry Fit next year
 - Lots of shorts left in Larges, may need to order a few smalls and mediums (Brad will be sending inventory spread sheet over to Chrissy)
 - Chrissy would like to order black socks for all in house teams, no more tie dye
 - Remaining inventory of Tie Dye Socks will be used up for T-ball (and pitchball?)
 - Chrissy will be ordering all in house jerseys Monday 4/3 or Tuesday 4/4
- All extra tie dye socks, left over skittle shirts, and 50 some pair of shorts will be thrown out at the Strawberry Festival Parade.

Website/Email

- Website Should be ready in 2 weeks to make transition
- Brad talked to google last Friday, he has now switched to a commercial account and has applied for a nonprofit account. Should transition the same time as the website.

Tri-County

- Last meeting tomorrow night 4/3/17
- Cottage Grove all teams registered and paid up
- They will be making team schedules from the youngest age group and working their way up
 - Don't bug Ozz about your team schedule, you will get it when you get it
- Rulebooks and scorebooks will be given to Scott to hand out with Balls at Picture night
- 8u rules have been updated and Ozz will print them off and laminate them to have at the fields
 - There are no umps for games, coaches will have to refer to rule sheets

Traveling

- 14u Green still having issues trying to find another player to move up to their team
 - As of now, they only have 10 players. 1 pitcher and 1 pitcher coming off of injury, not sure about pitching this year
 - Maybe if help is needed for tournaments due to short players and vacations, have a 12u girl move up to help for the weekend

Elite Team

- Pho Sports
 - Not a ton of space, but enough space for the elite team for winter batting practice
 - Look into local domes, for spots to practice as well
- Coaches
 - Irish coach (Head coach for fairbault) looking in going elsewhere next year. He is interested in sitting down to talk to elite team committee about coaching opportunities
 - Knows a few other coached looking to change over next year as well
 - Will probably bring some girls to try out for team as well
- Try outs
 - No one is ever guaranteed a spot, will need to try out each year for spot on team
- Team name
 - Pride or Menace
 - 6 out of 4 voted for name **Minnesota Pride**

PIP Tournament

- Ozz has fliers to hand out at Tri-County meeting tomorrow 4/3/17
- So far 15 teams are signed up to play in tournament
 - All cottage grove teams except 10u green team (they are playing in a different tourney that weekend that was chosen before PIP tournament went to an A,B and C)
- Tournament is on Fast Sports and now on Tri-county websites

- Yearly food permit is confirmed (Tim) just need to get funding from Amanda

Equipment

- Softball are ordered
- In house equipment handout will be on April 20th at YSB from 6:00pm – 7:30pm
- Lock boxes for pitching machines
 - Found some for \$299.00, just need to cut boxes, add a few inches of metal and weld to make a few inches taller.
 - Will fit 2 machines in them without having to take machines apart
 - We will need 2 boxes
- Troy's taking dimensions to work to see if they can make a box close to same amount of money
 - Wouldn't mind paying around \$1,000 for 2 boxes

Pictures/Raffle Tickets

- Picture night is all confirmed with life touch
 - Picture packets
 - Will give to Scott to put in bags for in house coaches
 - Rod will hand out to traveling coaches
- Raffle tickets will be ordered this week

Dug Outs

- Tim and Scott will talk to Bob/City of CG to see if they want to get involved, or need to review the plan
- Maybe put dibs together for some help when building (would want someone knowing what they are doing)
- Maybe plan on putting them up on Saturday April 29th
 - Tim and Scott to put posts in before hand
 - Will let us know on date and time after talk to Bob

Motion made by Kayla to approve March Meeting Minutes, Troy Second, All approve

Finances

- Most teams have all tournaments picked out (only waiting for a few teams - 14u and 16u)
- Several team fundraisers have come through
- Financial aid all applied for and given out
 - We budgeted \$2,000 and gave out \$1,200
- Have received a few requests for forms for scholarship athletic award
- Need revision for Bi Laws

KBands

- Amanda would like to get the flash drive of workouts to put on coaches tab on website
- Kbands are to stay at the batting cages
 - if a team is using the batting cages, they can use the kbands as well

Background Checks

- Waiting for 2 more to be completed from coaches for traveling
- All in house coaches and assistant coaches will have to complete background checks as well

- All sports are pushing hard with background checks
- Need to get E-mail out that and Managers (dealing with money) will need to do a background check as well
- If background checks come back flagged, Dan makes all decisions on if they are approved or not approved

Umps

- Continuing with Frank this year
 - Had a meeting with Franks brother about getting schedules and getting info out that they are looking for some more umpers
- Next year look into having Dave Ump (after transplant)

Kids Fest

- Got 3 girls to sign up
- Lots of questions and interest for younger children at the booth

Main Board

- Looking at all divisions for a possible donation for the all exclusive playground at Woodridge

Board Positions

- Open positions: Player development, Member at Large and Promotions Director

Motion made by Amanda to adjourn meeting, Chrissy second, all approve, meeting adjourned at 9:42pm