

Inver Grove Heights Baseball Association Meeting Agenda
Sunday, May 3, 2020
6:00 pm

Board and Directors: Jeremiah Ostebo-President, John Schmid-Treasurer, Ryan Callahan-Vice President, Sarah Gutzman-Secretary, Josh Norgard-Tournament Director, Jessica Ostebo-Fields, Tabitha Alberghetti-Gambling, Jon Bell-Away Tournament Director, Kari Miller-Volunteering, Sarah Callahan-Concessions/Events, Jake Devney-InHouse Director, Laura Devney Media, Jake Lundell-Equipment Director, Nick Schiltz-Coaches Director

Members Present: Jennifer Seelhammer, Jon Pietsch, Michelle Anderson, Nick Schmit, Jill Reinkall, Cherise Pugh, Kate Skappel, Jen Shepard, Dianalyn Museus, Dave Museus

- I. Call to order by Jeremiah at 6:09pm
- II. Approval of minutes from April 5, 2020 Motioned by Nick Schmit and seconded by Michelle Anderson
- III. Covid-19 update: for MBL Scheduled for May- MBL still trying to make the season happen. Motion was sent from baseball and softball to Governor with recommendations to be able to continue the season, waiting to hear on his response. Fields in IGH are closed through May. Tournaments in IGH were rescheduled for June. Jen Seelhammer asked when we will know more about season, Jeremiah responded with as soon as Governor makes decision and responds to MBL as all other associations are in the same situation.
- IV. Open floor for member's issues/topics-Jon Pietsch brought up if it was safe or worth it to have a season at all. Was discussed and board stated it was NOT going to cancel at this time but it is a day-to-day decision and will take direction from MBL. May be a shorter season. Josh Norgard, tournament director, reported no teams have reported to him that they are cancelling season and that many are just waiting to see what decision is made.
- V. Review director updates
 - a) President- Umpires are all scheduled for tournaments. Baseball equipment is all out of the Shed and at our storage locker.
 - b) Vice President- No Report.
 - c) Secretary-Pictures are scheduled for June 7th at VMCC 4:30-6pm.
 - d) Treasurer- Banking activity volume slowed down considerable in April. Bremer Bank and QuickBooks reconciled through 4/27. The biggest items were the annual Uniform invoice, and the annual Insurance invoice with West Bend. Twins equipment - not received yet. If we need to refund any teams money, we will use QuickBooks Bill Pay. If anyone has any reimbursable expenses, please take a photo on your phone and email to John Schmid. We attach this support to QuickBooks for every expense we have. Last went to the IGHBA PO Box on 4/23. If there is an item you are expecting to be there let John know and he can check sooner, he checks the Box every 1 to 2 weeks. John created an IGHBA page for Linked-In (the job connecting/resume site).
 - e) Coaches- sent all coaches an email letting them know we are still hanging onto the thought of having a season still, and also sent an email to all the coaches to have them reach out to their teams to have them start doing some individual drills so the guys had some sort of work to do. Sent Jon Bell all the coaches contact info. Still following up with College guys and need coach for 13A.

- f) Tournament Director- Working thru rescheduling our home tournaments. Dates that were available were June 5-7(same week our fields are set to open) and June 26-28. We should have the age levels set in the coming days waiting on clarification from Jeff at MBL before finalizing. Will be sending out info to registered teams once set with 72 hour window to opt in or out of the new dates. State tournaments-Jeff at MBL reached out about possibly pushing back our state tournament a week later which is the week we host Gopher State. They are working together and if one pushes out the other will too so we should be ready with a quick reply if the weekend of July 24-26 is available to host Gopher state. We moved dates to the following based on what bids we could maintain for the MBT. We eliminated the 11AA and added the 12A which is now a qualifier so all listed are MBT qualifiers. IGH has automatic berth since we are hosting. Sent out and email to all associations via the website with all this information on Thursday night.

Spartan Slugfest June 5-7

10A 1/8

11A 2/8 6

12A 1/8 new tournament

13A 2/8 1

14/15A 1/8

Spartan SummerSlam June 26-28

9AA 1/8

10AA 3/8

12AA 3/8

13AA 2/8

15AA 5/8

Kari Miller asked about IGH website and MBT website updated. Laura Devney will update IGH website with new dates. MBT will be updating it as it takes a few days after everything is submitted, Josh Norgard has submitted everything to have it updated.

- g) Travel Coordinator- Emailed the coaches the tournament and hotel info. Emailed the tournament directors the coaches info. Still have not heard from Hastings about our team that is on the waiting list there. For next year, in Nov/Dec. will reserve hotels for state tournament next year.
- h) In House-Eastview cancelled a week ago. Eagan not willing to extend the season. Eagan fields will not open until June 15, which only allows 3 weeks to play. We have 2-9U teams and 1-11U team. We will reach out to West St Paul and see what they are doing and if we can join them and Mendota Heights. West St. Paul is having a season no matter what. There are NO plans to blend in-house with travel.
- i) Fields--Fields are currently closed until May 31. Talked to Julie at the City and have all fields reserved to re-schedule our Tournaments for the following dates: June 5-7 & June 26-28. When the season opens, need to get practice dates and times ASAP from coaches and get the games scheduled. Hopefully the City will give some notice to get that done before May 31.
- j) Media-Sent an email about the season start date being delayed - nothing specific to in-house. Still working with CA Gear to get our spring apparel. Gave them the OK to bundle uniforms with the apparel, just waiting to hear when they will be ready for pick up and will arrange distribution. Also, have one order from the high school sale that grabbed from Zach - will hold on to that until we pass out all other items. Sent an email to registered families about our meeting, will try to figure out how to send messages better as only goes to parent who registered the player. Would like to post some baseball drills on our Facebook page. Coaches director will send some to Laura Devney, Media Director, and she will put them on Facebook and IGHBA site.

- k) Volunteer- DIBS is loaded, people are still signed up. Will update to cancel what is claimed and edit sign up times for new tournament dates. Was able to separate the Booters hours in a different session. Zack will take care of scheduling these hours. Still need a list of coaches and assistants to credit volunteer hours.
- l) Concessions/Events- Trophies on hold but ready to go when we place order. Dept of Health is not responding, will continue to try and contact or may not be able to do hot food.
- m) Gambling- We are still waiting to hear back from the state for our Gambling License.
- n) Equipment- Was picked up on 5/3. Uniforms will be picked up on 5/4. Jake will be at High school parking lot on 5/5 from 6p-7p for coaches to pick up team uniforms and disperse to their players. Nick Schiltz, Coaches Director, will send out email to coaches. Ryan/Nick/Jeremiah will take care of getting them to 13A team. We will hold on ordering uniforms for in-house

VI. New Business/ To-do's

Sarah Gutzman brought up in the future working with HS coach and players to do a summer camp to help promote baseball and grow baseball in IGH. Kari Miller brought up that we need to start planning for IGH days parade and family fun night to have things to promote IGHBA.

Next Meeting: June 7th at 6pm at VMCC immediately following pictures. If need to, will schedule virtual meeting.

Adjournment Motion at 7:15pm by Jen Seelhammer and second by Cherise Pugh