

**Orono Board of Directors Meeting
January 11, 2022**

Attendees:

Amy Kubista	Brandon Schliinz
Debbie Benson (via phone)	Ryan Hartneck
Erika Kastamo	Brandon Oslund
Anne Hess	Toby Tyler
Brette Esterbrookes	

Approval of December Meeting Minutes –

Brandon motioned, Toby seconded, all in favor. Approved.

Finance – Toby

- 11k in surplus
- Amy asked if we could go to a quarterly billing for fields?
- Debbie asked about 14u funds – good to go per Toby
- Brandon mentioned the league fee might go up.

Equipment – Pat

- Twins Grant Update – 4k for us, need to do a write up on social media when we receive the check. Ryan will help.

Gym Fields – Amy

Week of 4/4/22

M/W 6:00-8:00 p.m. OAC Courts 4 & 5 with batting cage

T/Th 6:00-9:00 p.m. Middle School gym

Week of 4/11/22

M/W 6:00-8:00 p.m. OAC Courts 4 & 5 with batting cage

T/Th 6:00-9:00 p.m. Middle School gym

Week of 4/18/22

M/W 6:00-8:00 p.m. OAC Courts 4 & 5 with batting cage

T/Th 6:00-9:00 p.m. Middle School gym

Week of 4/25/22

M/W 6:00-8:00 p.m. OAC Courts 4 & 5 with batting cage

T/Th 6:00-9:00 p.m. Middle School gym

Requested Discovery Fields 1, 2, and 3 for the season; Marie could not guarantee us three fields due to requests from soccer and baseball

Requested JV and Varsity Fields - waiting on OHS Softball schedule to be released before Marie can officially give us the fields

Will look into Hackberry Park fields (City of Orono), maybe Bederwood Park (City of Orono)

Uniforms – Anne

- Swag and uniforms to be locked up by Mid-February.
- Sponsors for jerseys needs to be wrapped up by early February.

Website – Brette

- Website updates – will get registration going so we can see it before it goes live.
- Discussed pitching tryout button.

Fundraising – Kelly

- Sub-committee? Toby and Brandon S will be helping.

Player Development – Kelly

- Table discussion until February

Clinic Update – Ryan

- Week 1 – 46 attendees
- Week 2 – 49 attendees
- Positives: volunteers, sub-committees, communication, turn out, storage, Kirk (custodian), collaboration, coaching videos
- Challenges: are the top players getting enough, size (# of players vs. time and space, bag drop area, 10U splits, volunteer rotations, need to have time for games at the end
- Discussed bow nets to save time
- Delano players were in attendance
- Need to look at email list

Travel - Brandon

- League Recap
 - Important to stick to our process. Don't want new teams that are a derivative of our association. Need to put together guidelines for "A" teams.
 - If you play "A", you make State
 - Will be combining Big West and Tri State
 - Leaping allowed in pitching
 - Website better- one stop shop, including birth certificates
 - Discussed how to decide what tournaments to play.

14U – Cami

- Assistant Coach – cost? 2k? Not planned for with fee for 14u this year.
- Practice before June – yes
- Retreat still being discussed

Other Business

- Parent meeting – after teams are formed
- Coach recruitment – Brette to highlight on registration

- Volunteer opportunity – table to February
- Leadership training – 12U – table to February
- OSA Night at a college game – tickets not out yet
- Try Softball – Feb 24th – need help (Debbie and Nora will)
- Discussed an afternoon high school game after school.
- Picture night – end of April, beginning of May

Meeting Adjourned -Anne motioned, Deb seconded, all in favor.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

February 8 – 6:30 AC

March 15th - 6:00 – Team Formation at Tyler's

April 12- 6:30 at AC