

## **December 2023 Soderville Baseball Committee Meeting Minutes**

Present: Corryn, Eric P., Eric L., Nate, Terry, Greg, Troy

Not Present: Tim

5:02 Call to Order by Eric P.

Approval of Board Minutes – Noted need to amend November meeting minutes to align 6U tournament date and location with 8U date/location; July 12-14 at City Park. Nate motioned to approve November minutes with amendments as noted. Greg second the motion. Motion carried.

No public forum - baseball committee members present only

### **Old Business**

- Batting Cage updates – Need to talk with an alternative contractor to get a second bid on batting cage installation. Possibly get bid from a contractor that will handle all prep and installation.
- Rules for 2024 Updates – Agreed to take current rules down from web site and replace with “2024 rules coming soon.”
- Clinic Discussions – Lots of discussion on this topic. Eric L. will talk with Lovdahl about batting-specific training (in addition to current training options) and get schedule for training. Committee discussed listing Lovdahl as preferred training partner for baseball. The Lab Athletic will partner with Solderville Baseball and offer 7.5% discounted membership dues. Corryn will send out information from Complete Game about upcoming clinic over MLK weekend. Nate will re-craft an email about the MLK training opportunity.

### **New Business –**

- Dugout wraps – Greg will contact Dick Sporting Goods to see if they will sponsor dugout wraps. Corryn to provide DSG contact person’s email and phone number.
- Banners/Signs – City will only allow us to offer banner spots for one year. If program is successful, they may be open to extending to two years at some point in the future. Greg will update flyer to reflect lower cost for 1 year banner spot.
- Umpire cost – Cost is going up \$5 per game for all age groups. Eric P. will check to see if signer fee can be reduced by \$2 for tournaments.
- Pack 508 Pinewood Derby – Question raised whether or not Solderville Baseball would like to sponsor a Pinewood derby car with \$100 donation. Nate motioned to donate \$100. Greg second motion. Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports –**

- Tournaments
  - Soderville/Ham Lake Classic: May 3-5 (Lions and City) – Eric P. and Nate will be tournament directors.
  - 6U/8U Baseball: July 12-14 (City) – Nate will be tournament director.
  - 10U/12U Baseball: July 19-21 (City) – Eric P. and/or Greg will be tournament director(s).
  - Gopher State All-Star Tournament (if applicable): July 27 (City) – Tournament director position is open.
  - MYAS State Rec 12U and 13U: August 2-4 (Lions and City) – Tournament director position is open.
- 6U – 12U Baseball – Need directors for 6U, 8U, 12U. Eric L. agreed to be 6U director. Nate agreed to be 10U director. Eric L. will check with Brian (last name?) for 8U director position.
- Sr. Baseball (13U-19U) – no new discussion on this topic.
- Tournament Team Baseball (Schraufnagel) – Registration has been sent out. Need to get email out seeking coaches.

- Uniforms (Schesso) – Eric P. contacted Tahoe. Tanner Aho responded with email providing links to web sites for examples of uniforms, hats, etc.
- Equipment (Laumeyer) – No new discussion on this topic.
- Development & Training (Laumeyer)
  - See notes in Old Business section of minutes.
- Budget (Greene) – Nate provided final 2024 budget for review and summarized the anticipated income and expenses for 2024.

7:03 Greg motioned to adjourn the meeting. Nate second the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM.

**NEXT MEETING: SUNDAY, 01/14/2024 AT 5:00PM**