

# Apple Valley Travel Baseball Board Meeting

December 5th, 2022 at 7:00

**Board Members Present:** Alli Weaver, Krystle Avila, Jose Avila, Chris Halgren, Luke Ingles, Brad Willis, Gabriel Quiroz, Brian Ames, Ryan Tauer, Mac Noland, Ann Chamberlain

**Members Absent :**

## Play Ball MN Coaching Clinic

- Selected as a host site. Clinic is scheduled for Tuesday January 10th, 2023 at VMSS at 7pm
- Clinic is presented by Brian Raabe.
- Advertising and promoting this event to our prospective coaches and parents is essential. Alli will send this information to coaches from last season and include it in the December email blast regarding open registration.
- Board members should aid in getting the word out and invite parents they know
- Also think we should include any community parents and coaches as well. The more participants the better. Alli will send the information to the Community Baseball Commissioner
- Brian Rabbe also said we can include other area associations if we see fit.

## Update 14s

- For the 2023 season, we will be fielding 14/15A and 14AAA teams.
  - MBL has requested we make the move to AAA based on the 13AA 2022 season
- Had the 8th grade parent meeting December 1st. Discussed AVTB 2023 summer season and AVHS baseball program opening tryouts to 8th graders for 2023 season.
- Seasons will overlap but we have come up with solution
  - AVTB summer season will start at the regular time with lighter schedule
  - 14s coaches will work with high school staff to avoid conflicts and overloading the schedule
  - Both teams will be participating in the May 12-14 Apple Valley Tournament

## Future of 15s in our program

- Legion program heavily recruiting 15 year olds to play in their Jr. Legion program. They are looking to have 2 teams at the Jr. Legion level for the 2023 season.
- This will have a direct impact on AVTB fielding teams at the 15s (AA/AAA) level in the future
- AVTB will continue to offer a place for 15 year olds to play but it only be at the 14/15A level.
  - Given the Legion program is offering a competing product it will be hard to field a competitive 15s team
- Alli to send an email to 2022 14U families to update them on their 2023 season options

## Equipment Order Update

- Equipment order has yet to be placed, need to finalize soon – Ryan will get order in this week.
- Brian looked into catcher equipment complexity; working with Baseball 365 on catcher's gloves, and Dick's Sporting Goods on catcher gear. Will get order in an send invoices to Alli

### **Coaches Application Review**

- Do we want to change/update Coaches Application or copy from last year?
- Will include an update to include verification that applicant has reviewed and will comply with all policies sent forth in AVTB Handbook.

### **2023 Registration**

- Alli will be presenting the 2023 budget at the VAA Board Dec 7th meeting. Will ask them to open registration for the 2023 season.
- Once links are live, we can send an email blast.
  - Registration for 2023 Summer Season
  - Handbook
  - Coach Application link
  - Twins Coaches and Parent Clinic
  - Winter Clinics

### **2023 Budget Review/Approval**

- Brian Ames motion
- Ann 2nd
- Budget approved

**Next Meeting Tuesday January 3rd, 2023 at 7:00 – Fieldhouse**