Arrowhead Fast Pitch League Association Board Meeting Minutes October 17, 2021, 6pm Tele-Meeting via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 6:04pm

Present via Zoom: Dennis Peterson, Theresa Leopold, Pat Shelton, Kelly Goeb, Jacque Volk. UIC Phil Semaan present by phone for umpire report.

- 1. 2021 Season Summary.
 - Overall, season went very well
 - Concerns from 2021 season
 - Pipes coming out of ground on one of the Wheeler fields, Dennis will be in touch with City of Duluth to remedy
 - Some struggles early on with background checks and Safe Sport Act. Plan to have registration deadline for teams and coaches early in April to allow for more time to complete these tasks preseason. Theresa has offered to help with the process.
 - Rosters. Not all teams were rostered this season. Theresa agrees to help out with checking rosters to assure teams are playing with rostered players, and for insurance purposes.

2. Umpire Report

- Some 14U games were very long in the last inning with inexperienced pitcher
 - Suggested to have limit to end of game, not just last inning
 - Plan to change rule to no new inning after 75 minutes; drop dead time of 90 minutes, regardless if inning is completed. Final score would then go back to end of last completed inning.
- Also suggested to list visitor first on next year's schedule, home team last, to keep consistent for umpires
- Phil also reports the umpires are comfortable keeping the rates the same for next year

- 3. 2022 Season. Kelly will send out email to community leaders.
 - Fees will remain unchanged from 2021
 - No lead off tourneys at any age group
 - Important Dates
 - o April 3, 2022.
 - All team registrations due with coaches info
 - Coaches Meeting and Coaches Clinic
 - o May 23 week, 8/10/12U start
 - o June 6 week, 14/16/18U start

8U

- \$150
- Games on Mondays, except for Memorial Day and July 4. Will play on Thursdays of those weeks.
 - o Monday May 23
 - o Thursday June 2
 - o Mondays June 6, 13, 20, 27
 - o Thursday July 7
 - o Monday July 11
- Playoffs July 18 and 21

10U and 12U

- \$250
- 10U games on Wednesdays, start May 25, 2022
- 12U games on Tuesdays, start May 24, 2022
- 8 week season
- 10U playoffs July 18 and 20
- 12U playoffs July 19 and 21

14U

- \$875
- Games on Wednesdays, maybe Thursdays, depending on number of teams
- Start June 8, 2022, seven week season
- Playoffs week of July 25

16/18U

- \$900
- Depends on number of teams if separate or a combined league
- Games will be on Mondays and Tuesdays
- Start on June 6 & 7 with seven week season, no playoffs
- No games on July 4, will be July 7 instead

4. Annual meeting

- Will be on Sunday December 5 at 6pm at the Buffalo House (Zoom option if needed).
- Up for re-election are
 - o Vice President, position is open
 - o Treasurer, position is open
 - o At Large 3, vacant
 - o At Large 4, Theresa Leopold
 - o At Large 5, Pat Shelton
- Discussion about finding a treasurer, given that we are having a hard time finding board members. Theresa will check with FDL Accounting Program to see if there is any interest
- 5. Board Members. We need to continue recruiting!
- 6. Next meeting dates.
 - Annual meeting with regular meeting to follow on December 5 at 6pm at the Buffalo House. Kelly will reserve space.

Respectfully submitted Kelly Goeb Secretary