

Wednesday April 12th, 2023
Groveland Park – 6:00pm

IBL Board Meeting – April

Agenda

- Attendance
 - o Natasha Olson
 - o Kristina Saralampi
 - o Joe Sullivan
 - o Amber Sullivan
 - o Adam Saralampi
 - o Michael Hanson
 - o Jon Johnston
 - o Nick Buse
 - o Jaime Reed
 - o Brian Schultes
 - o Josh Deer
 - Marcus Helmer***
- Open Forum
 - o No guests
- Agenda meeting minutes (March) reviewed for approval
 - o Approved
- 15AAA
 - o After board discussion we agreed to our prior conversation with Foss that Legion/VFW will be implemented for 2024 season. It is too late to take a player off a team that was already established, tryouts were completed, and tournaments are booked. Foss said he would make this team a priority but if the player chooses to move, we will not refund his season. If we run into a problem with not having enough players, we will ask a kid to play up based off tryout scores and availability.
 - o The team has not been established with any information, schedule, or coaching.
 - o Scheduling doesn't open until May 18th.
 - o MN Twins donations were approved. Michael has reached out to see when we will receive the money, will update the board as soon as he hears – which will be split between 15AAA and 14AA. \$1000 each and the families will pay the remaining. If we get the grant, we would pay half up front to the coach and half at the end of the season. Breaks down to an estimate of \$90/dollars per family if a team rostered 11 kids.
 - o Communication will be sent to the 15AAA coach, we are hoping the new coach will do this, but if he cannot the board will send it.
- 14AA
 - o Coach has been approved – Patrick Bordewick. Will send out an introduction to the team with payment request.

- One player has decided to not play on the team anymore. We have decided to not make further accommodations to have him play. What will we need to do to fill/roster the team.
 - We would need to fill a spot for tournaments and will not need to fully roster the kid. If we run into an issue with injuries, we may need to reconsider rostering a kid.
 - Jon will reach out to Lance at MYAS to see if we are able to roster a player by pulling them up a level or if we need to keep them playing on the same level. I.E. A to AA or A to A.
- Coach Pitch Teams
 - Three teams of 10 will be formed based off registration. Michael will notify coaches by the end of the week and have jersey order to Amber by next week.
 - Looking to get the schedule from Tyler – Michael will send to Nick once confirmed. Should only have a handful of games in May.
- Financial Update
 - Fiscal Year is August through July based on season. Went through update on where we stand with current expenses such as umpires, fields, game balls, equipment, etc.
- Jerseys
 - Traveling/In-house jerseys will be complete by weekend of the 14th. Balance of order will be another week.
 - Scorebooks are ordered.
 - Coach Pitch jersey orders will be placed next week. (Week of the 17th)
- Volunteer Update
 - For the tournaments, the medic is already scheduled.
 - Created sign-up genius for carnivals and tournaments. Michael will send out the final information to the parents with the links for parents to sign up.
 - Work through Sign-up genius to keep track of registrations, reminders, and tracking of hours.
 - Reach out to Freshman team for volunteer hours for tournaments if we need more help.
- Gambling License/Exempt Permit
 - Moneyball tournament – idea from another school district. Could raise up to \$5000 in one event without having to apply for a permit.
 - Sell up to 1800 tickets at \$20/piece and gives out \$15,000 in prizes but makes about \$21,000 in fundraising dollars.
 - Can be done once a year if it is over \$5000.
 - Permit is roughly \$350 to apply for.
 - Must have a dual ticket and in-person.
- Culvers

- St. Anthony – Concrete Mixer fundraiser June 23rd – 25th to support IBL. \$1.00 per every mixer sold.
 - Will be doing a dine-in for Raising Canes – date TBD
 - They will also get certificates to hand out to players.
- Registration Banners
 - Instead of field signs in the winter, we are looking to do a field banner and working with the schools to put them up at the schools.
- Tryouts 2024
 - Three tryout preparation dates.
 - Sat Aug 19th – two hours of batting practice divided by age groups
 - 13-15 – 1 hour
 - 9-12 – 1 hour
 - Sat Aug 26th
 - Sat Sept 9th
- Team Pictures
 - No update - Jon called and did not get through
 - So far scheduled for the 19th of May but there are 2 school carnivals that day so looking to get the date switched
- Miscellaneous
- Umpires
 - In house - need to go through MYAS training (2 hours). Last year we paid to have them come to us. This year we had 4-5 kids so it was free for us where we paid \$300 last year.
 - Pushing kids to go through online training also at a cost of \$40
 - Do we pay the fee for our umpires? Set up a stipulation - they pay the \$40 and after they work their first game, we can reimburse them to ensure they are serious about working for us. Will allow them to work outside of our organization.
 - Clarifications will be put together for what NEEDS to be done and what CAN be done to umpire. More money can be made per game with the higher certifications also

VOTE to reimburse Umpires \$40 cost - Jon motion to pass, Adam second – All in favor.

Stockyard Days - August 12 at 10:00am

MV Public Works - contacted to see about a shed at Silver View - have not heard back yet

Youth Night - Friday, May 5 at 4:30 - confirmed with Foss but have not sent out communication yet because the booster club should be putting it on but Gretchen has not responded yet

Board Meeting date for July - if you cannot make it that's ok - just a time to nail down specifics about tryouts. July 25 set

Adjourned at 7:53

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- End Meeting

Thank you, Amanda for taking the last part of the meeting's notes.

***Open Forum Attendees