

SABSA Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2019

St. Anthony Village Pub, Restaurant Side, 6:30 pm

Attendees: Sara Strain, Katie Brustad, Al Bates, Andrew Kagol, Erik Lindgren, & reporting attendees Kirsten Stendahl and Scott McCleary

The meeting was called to order by President Al Bates at 6:40 pm. A goal was set of finishing the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Approval of the prior meetings' minutes:

- Minutes of the April 8, 2019 Meeting - tabled
- Minutes for the two intervening emergency meetings were not yet available for review.

President's Update:

- As a result of the discussions at the emergency meetings, the teams have solidified. Rossi Cannon's 12U team has added two players from Columbia Heights (which had no 12U team). One player (Teagan Gillard) moved from Rossi's roster to Danielle Bogucki's 12U A team, and Danielle has sought out Stella Timmons for a potential 'emergency addition' to her roster if necessary.
- We have started conversations with Baseball & Soccer regarding potential fencing improvements at Wilshire Park (and potentially Emerald Park – if Baseball is interested). Soccer expressed a desire not to have an alternative solution of moving the field out farther (skinning more infield), and Tom Kuykendall advised that would probably not be possible due to "green space" regulations. Al will pursue the fencing improvements and potentially an electrical run to the 3rd base dugout.
- We did not communicate well regarding two game cancellations and Tim Klein has requested that we pay the umpires whose games were canceled 'with late notice'. Discussion ensued. The consensus was to pay the Umpires, and to send out a reminder to the coaches to contact both Derek Stendahl and Tim Klein when having to cancel a game. Al will send out the reminder email.

Treasurer's Report: Al Bates, acting Treasurer:

- Current balance as of 5/5/19 was \$23,026.61. Al had previously shared via email a summary of the expenses to date, but without the Budget on the same sheet for a side-by-side comparison, Al characterized this balance as difficult to attach much meaning to, but offered a guesstimate that potentially another \$2,000 in expenses is yet to come.

Player and Coach Development Update: Danielle

- No report

Coach Updates:

- Andrew and Al discussed Andrew's 10U team's need for a Bunting Session; Al & Andrew will try to find one of Andrew's team's practice times where Al could offer some bunting instruction.
- 6U (Al) & 8U (Katie) are off to good starts. 10U (Erik, Andrew) have had some scrimmages, Andrew's team has been rained out and is yet to play a game. 12U (Sarah) looking forward to more games. Postponements due to C-Squad games and weather has caused a lot of rescheduling. 14U has not started playing yet.

Coordinator Updates:

Equipment – Al

- We now have a hitting stick and a new Sklz 5-position tee available.
- We have purchased a small metal detector for Silver Point Park to try to find base receptacles.
- Bases at Silver Point Park are in the large Blue box now; there is a separate keybox on the backstop of Field 1 for this box.

Fields – Pat/Al

- No report.

Umpires – Derek

- No report

Spirit Wear and Online Store – Erik

- Online store –
 - The Online Store is now closed, and product is being received at Dave's; uniforms were a higher priority, and delivery is not yet complete.
 - Coach Shirts have arrived and are handed out.
- Uniforms –
 - After the pants ordering mixup, we ended up with a small inventory of pants, which should be used in the coming year or so.
 - We will need to look for a Fastpitch Jersey solution in the Fall (although not for Fall Ball – we would use old 'emergency jerseys' if necessary for Fall), as our Fastpitch jersey has been discontinued.

Fundraising -Andrew/Kirsten Stendahl/Erik Lindgren

- Kirsten briefly attended to give a Jersey Mikes update. The event will be May 29 – June 2. Kirsten will hand out tickets much like last year, and will send an email to Coaches to encourage them to have a volunteer parent handle tickets for the teams. Katie may be able to attend Wilshire Park's Track & Field Day to pass out tickets there. Thanks again, Kirsten for your work in helping to organize this!
- Erik spoke about DQ Night – this Wednesday. Al will print flyers to bring to Silver Point Park tomorrow & will email the STA Schools about the event.

HDC Liaison update – Scott McCleary

- Scott briefly attended with an update: SAVHS Varsity won the Conference for the first time since 2013! Sectional play starts tomorrow night.
- Scott is ready for Fall Ball signups. Al will get Email lists of players and counts per team to Scott in preparation.
- The HDC has been working to try to get the Outfield Fence on C1 made permanent. Scott mentioned that SABSA would likely be approached for help with the funding. Al noted that we might want to do a special fundraiser for this.

Old Business:

Parking Lot:

- Designated pick-up spot at the end of VillageFest Parade – tabled until planning for 2019 parade starts – Parade is Friday, August 2.
- End of Season Ice Cream Social
- Volunteer post-season celebration
- Video with highlights, quick interviews, still images, etc. from 2019 season to create video announcement played at Wilshire Park for recruitment.

New Business:

- The need for Pitching Clinics for 10Us was discussed. There is some interest, but with weather delays, weekday evenings are filling up, and weekends are heavy with tournaments. Sarah suggested afternoon times could work. Al will follow up with Becca Bates & MFA to see if we can pull this off, and at what cost(s).
- There was also interest in repeating Intro Pitching Clinics for moveups from 8U – 10U in the late summer time frame.
- Katie noted that the 8U teams (both registered for the Roseville Rumble the weekend of June 2), are going to have trouble with a lot of players also in Dance Recitals that weekend. In the ensuing discussion, it was suggested that perhaps Spring Lake Park and Columbia Heights players might be interested in ‘filling out’ the STA teams for the tournament. Katie will follow-up with the 8U Coaches to see if we should pursue that.

Next meeting dates were tentatively set:

- Sunday, 6/23 @ 6:30 pm Village Pub restaurant side.
- Monday, 7/22 @ 6:30 pm Village Pub restaurant side.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Al Bates