

June 11, 2023
OSA Board Meeting Via Zoom

Attendees:

Brandon Oslund
Anne Hess
Erika Kastamo
Jamie Bishop
Lindsey Stevens
Cami Dahlstrom
Brette Esterbrooks
Ryan Hartneck
Brandon Schliinz

Not in attendance:

Amy Kubista
Toby Tyler

Approval of April Minutes- Anne motions to approve both sets of meeting minutes. Davida seconds. All in favor.

Anne- Uniforms

- Anne updates us on the process of making and selling pins for Nationals. We went through the OSA teams who are planning on going to Nationals and if those teams would like pins. OSA has eight teams that are potentially going which would be around 1,000 pins. It is estimated that we would need around 1600 pins.
- There was a small discussion about the difference between the two national tournaments.
- Fall Bag Swag- Anne is thinking of doing bright red sweatshirts. Everyone agrees! Coaches can input their size information during fall ball registration.

Ryan- Player Development

- Ryan asked for feedback on the TC fastpitch instruction. The general consensus is that the pitching portion of the lesson was great. There was mixed feedback on the catcher portion.

Brandon Oslund- Travel Program Updates

- Fall ball team formation- Information from last year or website- No tryouts. Keep players from the spring season together. OSA may host pitching and catching evaluations.
- Brandon threw out the idea of potentially hosting a meeting on the differences between 12 and 14U. There is a conversation on how the age change will affect differing governing bodies. NAFA is undecided on their approach as of now since they have teams from both entities at their tournaments. This would be helpful for families to know and help them make the decision of which age to play.

- There is a lot of conversation about how to form teams, whether or not to host tryouts at different age levels, and how to help navigate the age requirement change. It is agreed that we will form a subcommittee to make decisions about fall ball team formation.

New Business

- Fall Ball Registration- Registration age range will need to be edited on the sign ups. Erika is going to put together a list of the actual age ranges for each registration group and Brette will make sure that girls with fall birthdays will have two options when registering. Anne requested that we keep the sweatshirt size in the registration process. Brandon posed the idea of including a pitching/catching question, competitive preference, and an attendance question on the fall ball registration link. 8U can include a friend request. Registration opens June 19th, close by July 10th. We also agreed to give the options for players to move down in other positions too. Not just pitching and catching.
- Registration Fee for Nationals- Registration fee vs. Gate Fee- In the past, OSA has paid the registration fee and families have split/paid the gate fee. Teams will also cover player gift exchange and any pins that they would like to purchase.
- Fall ball prices will stay the same pending the price of sweatshirts. All in favor.
- OSA senior scholarship update.
- Fields and equipment update.
- Independence fields update- We've been given two fields. We are trying to work with OBA, but there is a roadblock. The Morneau's are going to help get involved to try and bridge the gap between baseball and softball.
- 2024 Indoor Space Reservations- Pre-tryouts, Tryouts, and Winter Clinics- Brandon O. makes a motion to reserve the indoor space and Brandon S. seconds.

Next Meeting- Team Formation Meeting in July

Anne votes to adjourn the meeting. Cami seconds. Meeting is adjourned.