

Soderville Blaine Athletic Association
Board Meeting Minutes

Date:08082021

Board Members in Attendance

Terry Olson President
Christina Smentek Vice President
Stephanie Wallschlaeger
Nate Greene
Chet Latawiec
Jamielyn Sparre
Eric Potthoff.
James Saulsbury
Chris Vogel

Not in Attendance

Open position
Jesse Miller

Others in Attendance

Corryn Anderson

Meeting called to order by Terry Olson at 6:59 pm.

Chet made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, Jamielyn seconded, motion approved.

Public Forum – None

New Business –

2022 Fees – Fees needs to be set for 2022. Registration for fastpitch will begin on September 1. Fastpitch and Baseball will individually determine if their fees need to be raised. Volunteer fee needs to increased to encourage more volunteerism. Volunteer fee will be raised to \$100 per player with a maximum of 2 players per family. There will be a buyout option if a family knows that they will not be volunteering. Hours of volunteer shifts will be increased from 3 to 4 hours. Concession shifts will run from 5:30 until the end of games on weeknights. Christina made a motion to approve changes. Chet seconded, motion approved.

Questions to if coaches should be given free registration for their players instead of getting their volunteer fee returned to them. Should committee members, board member get reduced/free registration. Individual committees will need to make these decisions.

Moose Fastpitch. Should be Moose continue included in fastpitch or should they become their own entity within SBAA? We do not want the Moose to leave. If we don't keep them they will go somewhere else. We want our families to stay with us. Moose could be set up under SBAA the same as BATBA. Questions that need to be answered. Does SBAA have any control over the Moose? Are there any risks having the Moose in our association since they are an LLC? Moose will

stay with us and continue operating under fastpitch. Moose needs to have representation on the SBAA board, Chris will hold this position temporarily. Committee structure and rules need to be defined. Within the fastpitch and baseball committees drafts need to be created and needs to be submitted to the SBAA Board for approval. Drafts should be presented at Octobers meeting

Bylaws – Need to define who a member is. Bylaws need to review on a yearly basis. Small committee formed to review. Christina, Chet, Jamielynn, James and Terry are the committee members. Any changes to the bylaws will be presented in the October meeting.

City of Blaine removed Soderville from their website. We need to contact them and ask them to include us back in.

Committee Reports:

Concessions – Anderson –

Will be looking to 2 people to fill the position of Concession Coordinator next year. They will work together to share the weekends and weeknights. More discussion will be needed on how to coordinate.

We need new freezers, fridge at Lions and popcorn machines. Chet made a motion, Chris seconded, motion was approved for the purchase.

Soderville Baseball – Potthoff

13U Rec State tournament went well. 22 teams were at City Park for the event. All of our rec baseball teams did well at their state events. MSF State had some issues at the fields with concessions, bathroom and umpires.

Traveling fast pitch – James –

We had 10 teams in our 8U league. Spring Lake Park asked to join next year. Great program for these girls. Over the summer we had 3 (10U) teams, 2 (12U) teams and 2 (14U) teams. Fall numbers are up. We currently have 2 (8U) teams, 2 (10U) teams, 2 (14U) teams and a 16U team. Will be creating an operations handbook for Fastpitch. All had great 2021 seasons. 160 girls tried out for 2022 Moose.

Field/Game Scheduling – Anderson – None

Fields and Facilities –

Aggregate has been layed but fields still need considerable work. We need to get the city to come walk to fields with us so they know the condition of the fields and what we need.

Fundraising – JamieLynn - None

Sponsors – Wahlschlaeger – None

Web/IT – Greene –IPADS are amazing. Looking at getting electronic menus

Social Media – Sparre – Send pictures and messages and they will be posted on Facebook

Town Ball – Olson – Fun year. Won 3 of their 14 games

Old Business – None

Corryn – All paid worker and volunteers need to be at least 14 years old. There are no exceptions. Kids under 14 can accompany their parents.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 12 at 7:00 at Maxxs

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Jamielynn; Chris seconded the motion, motion approved and meeting adjourned at 9:08