

CGAA Softball Long Range Planning Meeting Minutes – Saturday October 8th, 2016

Meeting called to order and seconded

Scott Dack spoke on board unity and thanked Brad for his service as president

Discussion how to take some responsibility off the board members

Tim Dana reported DIBS had worked well for fall ball

Discussion on efficient way way to have board members for responsibilities at tournaments.

Ryan: Players Development and Training

*Armory Training Nov-Feb dates discussed

*Coaches Clinics Dec. 4&11 6-9pm Activity Center.

*Winter Training for traveling Jan. 15,22 and Feb. 5,19,26 A/C 6-9pm.

*West Rink after March 1

*Inhouse training in March

--Mentor program with older girls?

--Traveling Coaches train Inhouse Coaches?

*Suggested an "Bring A Friend to Softball" night Feb 26? (Traveling girls help run stations)--Update website with info if it's a go.

*Turf Time in March for training to boost competitiveness, fun and drills

*Pitchers/Catchers training: Players used last year are booked. Will reach out to prospects. HS players? College players?

*How to keep pitchers in their positions without burning out--tie into coaches training

*Coach Lushek will do videos for the website

**Darcie willing to work with inhouse girls during season

Armory open to everyone

*Promote on website

*Use softies in gym

Scott: Equipment Report

*Passed out written report on how budget was used

*Said the Dudley softballs were good, Do not use Combat bats, teams to get \$200 to spend on their equipment and will return at the end of the season.

*Catchers gear we currently have that is too big will be offered to Women's league.

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*Tanner tees more durable

*Traveling and Rec Budgets are priorities

**Budget raised to \$13K, approved.

Rod: Events

*Fundraising CGAA raffle

*Teams do own fundraising

*Is it worth discussion on program wide fundraising effort

*Suggestion of teams splitting profits on the PIP tourney. Decided against--too risky with weather, DIBs, etc

*People responsible to serve DIBS hours (Tim D will validate)

*Pictures April 24-27 6-9pm CGMS--raffle tickets to be handed out that evening

Heather/Dave: Fields

Dave has budget for equipment for fields needs \$2.3K passed

*Renaming Firehouse Park Collins Park

--would like to get the rock signage to look like the other parks discussed pricing around \$4k

*Dugout covers , shelter covers for Grey Cloud fields and fence at Collins Fields --city will match funds if we come to them w/plan and funding

Jeanne: Communications

Tools to get word out on CGAA softball

*Website upgrade \$1500K approved

Don O: Traveling Director

*Discussion on a dome ball team for tourneys in session 2 (January)

--Get an email out and find out cost

*Board should know any team playing dome ball out of CG

*Discussion on how to form teams

*Discussion on forming an 8U traveling team--feelers to be put out. If there is enough interest-tryouts w/10U

--8U committee: Chrissy, Ryan, Scott, Troy and Heather

*Make prominent on website that * year olds MUST make the top 3 in 10U tryouts to make a 10U team.

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*Tryouts

--12U/14U/16U: Aug 11-13

--10U (8U?)

Sept 30-Oct 1

*Discussion on an ELITE Team in 2018

Committee: Oz, Dave, Tim, Rod, Brad

*Chin Straps--MANDATORY get on website next to mask info

--1 finger gap allowed

*Coaches Meeting MANDATORY**Dec 4 5:00 A/C Classroom

--picking fields, etc

coaches training meeting to follow

--can bring assistants

*Good evaluation feed back

*Touched on next year's evaluators for tryouts

*Set up MFA for next year to cover all age groups

--5 evaluators from MFA & Jess (Chrissy's cousin)

*Umpires --league and tourneys

Chrissy & Troy: In House

*Registration Monday, January 9-March 27 Registration for Rec (Early Bird through Feb 9)

*March 29 teams formed, coaches informed --Coaches mtg Mar 31 or April 1 to order uniforms

*April In house clinics

*April 24-27 Pictures

May 9-June 19 Games (tentative)

June 17 All Star game

In house Tourney July 8-9

--Discussion on whether to give up TRI County for In house tourney

*No visors this year, will do shirts, socks and facemasks

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CM would like different shirts for the league this year vs. the skittles colored ones.

Senior League

*Shirts/Socks

*Preseason after registration is closed

Tim: Tournaments

*PIP July 19-21

*July 29 Buffalo Rec tournament for winner of the rec season and a team of all stars

*Fall League Tourney--Tourney host?

*Tri County: July 14-16

*14U State

*Yearly permit for concessions

*Dugouts \$1950K approx. per new dugout--approved \$11,700 3 fields dugouts

Amanda: Treasurer

**The quirky NGIN pymt plans/4200 or DIBS fulfillments making complicated--working out how to do it

*will go to coaches meeting to put responsibility for budget in coaches' hands

*Reviewed last year's team budgets

*Budget request deadline

*Continue to get jerseys from Boombah

*Armory and turf rental

*Board bios needed

*Scholarships for players--should there be a limit to how many times used? Dead line to respond.

(Put on website)

*Make sure to get everything in to Amanda

Dave: President

*Uniform fitting January 15 or 22

Concussion testing--electronic vs. cards Can we get them from basketball

*Start HS clinic June 12/13 3:30-5:30 (9:30-11:30 \$40

*East Ridge boundary issue

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--Review ER rules

Gopher softball more involvement

Meeting adjourned

Submitted by Jeanne Nicholas 11/16/16