

Fastpitch Board Meeting Minutes
02/10/10

I. Approval of January Meeting Minutes

II. Treasurers Report

Given by Glenda Houle, and noted there was nothing out of the ordinary in regards to expenses to point out. Financials for Revenue and Expenses were provided to the meeting attendees.

III. Fundraising Activities

- 1) Pancake Breakfast is set for March 6th, so far there have been 50 of the 200 tickets sold. The tickets are available online. Tell the girls to sell more tickets.

- 2) Spiritwear order is due April 1st. The online store is coming soon which will allow viewing the item to purchase. It is currently in test mode and will be live shortly.

3. Cadillac dinner there will be an update at March meeting.

IV. Registrar Report

Given by Patty Rhode. There are 75 girls registered as of the meeting either online or forms received. The numbers seem in line with where the numbers should be as of this meeting.

V. Webmaster Update

Betty is working to get the online store live. She is only seeing a few issues with those registering online and things it has been very smooth. When she sees any issues with transactions going thru she is following up with a phone call.

VI. Equipment Update

It was stated we need to take better care of our gear the equipment which came back was beat up, dirty, and looks much older than it is. This year we will be taking full inventory and there will be a sign out and sign in process. There is currently equipment which has not been returned from last year. It is being updated on the website to have all coaches return equipment to Fred. He only expects minimal expenses for the season for equipment. Also, Betty is going to post a position for a first aid kit coordinator to restock/inventory/hold inventory for all first aid kids.

VII. Recognition of 2009 Board Members

A motion was passed to recognize Tom Potter, and Stacy Hanson for their past board contributions. They both will receive a \$100 Phils gift card, a plague, and Pancake Breakfast tickets.

VIII. 2010 Winter Clinics

The Winter Clinics going very well this winter. There was a strong turn out especially by the younger ages. Currently there are 4 light flight machines which are being used for the hitting clinic but, one of those is the Varsity's machine. Joe motioned and it was approved to have the association purchase another light flight ball machine so we would own 4 going forward.

IX. Coordinator Reports

10U- Currently there are 31 registered so there will at least be 3 teams this season.

12U- Currently there are 24 registered so there will be at least 2 teams this season.

Dates are set for March 27th Tryouts, Bubble Scrimmage March 29th, Announcement of Teams March 30th, and Practices starting the week of April 5th.

The tryouts will be held at the Concordia Dome this year for 12U because of scheduling issues at the Stillwater Dome.

14U- Schedules are all online. There was discussion around the defined tryout drills and the evaluator forms which are completed by the evaluators. It was decided to leave the drills the same for this year but adjust the evaluator forms so they are all on the same page to make it easier for evaluators. Betty has the form and will update. Next year a subgroup will be created to rethink the tryouts and drills used.

*Pitching Evaluators needing for 12U and 14 U coordinators will reach out.

16U- Currently there is 1 registered.

X. Varsity and Jr. High Softball Academy updates/ Bob Beedle

-Bob Beedle provided updates around the Varsity season starting practices the week of March 15th. He also requested the check to be cut for \$2,500 which is the amount already approved by the board to annually be given to the Stillwater Varsity program. This was done by Glenda.

-Bob Beedle reviewed the Exceptional Athlete Policy.

-There was discussion around the Jr. High Softball Academy which is set as a six week program starting April 6th. There will be 4 sessions the 1st week with the remaining 5 weeks sessions dependent on skill level. No fee is finalized yet, and transportation details are still being worked out. There is still a need for coaches.

- There is also the opportunity for coaches to attend any of the March 15th varsity practices to learn the drills they run and how the Varsity program operates.

Open Forum:

MMFL meeting next week- discussion around changing to 43ft for 16/18U and sanctioning discussions.

Pony Pride Picnic- set for May 3rd, at 4:00 Varsity game. The motion was approved to set \$500 aside for the picnic. An invitation was also extended to the VAA thru the Softball coordinators. Betty will put something on the website regarding volunteers needed and to contact John.

Policy for Scholarship – John discussed the idea of putting a policy around the request he received for a scholarship for the FP Fee. There will more likely be more requests coming. John is going to put into writing 4 initial questions to be asked by the individuals who request scholarship and then it will be brought to the board for approval. Next year it will be looked at to add something to the bylaws around scholarships.

Next Meeting Scheduled for Wed. March 3rd at 7:00.