

## **Columbia Hot Stove Minutes**

**Date:** 5/17/16

**Called to Order:** 8:57 pm by Dan

**Attendance:**

Present: Dan, Gina, Sandy, Matt, Melanie, Adrienne, Taylor

Absent: Doug

Others in Attendance: None

Minutes from April, 2016 meeting were approved.

### **Board Reports -**

**Treasurer (Gina):** Current balance is \$7,667.61. This does not include the fundraiser deposit which was made in May. Recent transactions: background checks, umpire fees for boys' teams all withdrawn, uniforms, fundraiser costs, concession stand start-up money, sponsorships, last registrations, insurance, phone bill, equipment. Report was approved. Gina also reviewed the fundraiser profits. Total net profit was \$6200.99. Very good considering we are down 3 teams from last year. Voted to get the Baker family a gift card –they donated back almost all of the winnings, a very large amount.

**Boys Travel (Doug):** Report via text: Tournament starts weekend of July 4. There will be 5 sites, including ours. No decision yet on Regional finals.

**Girls Travel (Taylor):** D registration this week. Sandy asked if the County ever responded as to why the B league has only 13 games and the Columbia team has only 5 home games for the season. They did not respond.

**Umpires/Schedules (Open):** Doug reported via text: High School is still playing, umpires are scarce.

**Concession Stand (Adrienne):** Stand is open and running well. Adrienne is shopping as needed. Team assignments going OK so far. Jen Davies is an opener this year. Go ahead with 50/50 raffle. Discussed Saturday games scheduled during the day and Sunday games. These are not originally scheduled and often change times the week of. Each team is already assigned to work in the stand 3 nights plus tournaments. Cannot really assign teams for these games when we don't know the times far in advance. Decided that we will send an email out to the entire membership asking for volunteers to work the stand for these games. If we get them, we will open. If not, we will not.

**Equipment (Matt):** Matt has purchased a bat for Stair's team, field supplies and a hand pump to get water off the fields. He got prices on Quick Dry (\$530/pallet) and chalk (\$241/pallet). We need neither right now – will wait and see. We have field conditioner on hand –not Quick Dry. Matt mentioned that our Field Maintenance employee needs to start earlier. He is still in school so that should resolve this week. Also, he spent time working on A and B this past Sunday only to have the High School take them for make-up games. Matt looked into Wi-Fi for the park – not feasible right now.

**Uniforms/Sponsorship (Melanie):** All uniforms are in. Reorders and extras are also in. Several parents needed to order different sizes. Only 2 mistakes were made on our part for pants. Voted unanimously to not charge Tiffany Goebel for Freddy's pants since she had to buy a pair for Paul to wear while waiting on the reorder due to our error.

### **Old Business:**

- Dan will spray foul lines once we have dry weather.

### **New Business:**

- Field Scheduling – High School has not been communicating well. They are still playing even though the regular season ended first week in May. They have many makeups due to weather. Discussed the need for better communication. Last week, one F team got bumped on the day of due to the HS not communicating

about a makeup. Had to play a home game in Wellington. Also, the fact that our field maintenance employee spends time prepping A and B fields and then we can't use them. Just need better communication overall. Will request an off season meeting.

- Discussed spending overall – need to pick and choose right now.

**Correspondence:**

- Had another member dispute their credit card charge because they did not recognize the Blue Sombrero name. Upon notification, the member withdrew the dispute right away, however Blue Sombrero is still going to charge us \$35 because they had to “fight the dispute” (which they did not since it was withdrawn). The member is trying to get documentation from Blue Sombrero that her bank actually charged this amount, as Blue Sombrero claims. Sandy will follow-up. If the charge is not removed, member will not reimburse Hot Stove the \$35.

**Open Discussion:**

- Matt still has a Bobcat that will be at the park at some point to move dirt
- Adrienne mentioned that Managers do not have player contact info/allergy info with them now because we no longer have the paper registration forms. Sandy can run custom reports for each team and will get those out to each Manager ASAP.

**Next Meeting:** TBD

**Adjourned:** 10:10 pm