

Columbia Hot Stove Minutes

Date: 11/17/16

Called to Order: 7:02 pm by Dan

Attendance:

Present: Dan, Gina, Keli, Melanie, Matt, Josh (late)

Absent: Doug, Taylor

Others in Attendance: N/A

October 2016 meeting minutes were approved.

Board Reports -

Treasurer (Gina): Current balance is \$13,298.15; October transactions included the annual insurance payment to West Bend Insurance for \$754.00 and the October and November Verizon bills for \$22.75 and \$22.71 respectively. Our financials for the fiscal year 2015-2016 has been sent to the 2016 Membership.

Boys Travel (Doug): We will be hosting the County meetings on January 22nd and October 22nd in 2017. Keli will reserve the town hall for these dates. (Update was provided by email on 11/19/16)

Girls Travel (Taylor): The County is looking for individuals to represent classes B and C, if anyone is interested. (Update was provided by email on 11/19/16)

Umpires/Schedules (Open, Doug reporting): N/A

Concession Stand (Josh): The Pepsi cooler was removed from the equipment shed and does not work properly; further discussion determined the cooler is not necessary for use so it was agreed that it would be scrapped.

Equipment (Matt): A variety of items have been purchased for next season including, but not limited to, tines for the drag, field rakes, chalk and measuring tape, scorebooks, batting tees, fast pitch bats and mitts, pitching rubbers and paint to touch up bases. Items to be purchased still include dirt, disinfectant for masks and helmets, and field chalk. Discussion occurred regarding the idea of separating supplies and equipment from the football equipment stored in the same shed.

Uniforms/Sponsorship (Melanie): Melanie presented a variety of options from Augusta; discussed moving forward with grey or black shirts that include digital camo sleeves for boys and green sleeveless shirts with digital camo side seams for the girls; all players will have black pants. Boy's uniforms will include hats, belts and socks. Girl's uniforms will include headbands, belts and socks.

Old Business:

- Bases and tarps have been removed from the fields.

New Business:

- Discussed registration timeframe and the Board agreed to have 2017 registration open from December 1, 2016 to March 1, 2017. Rosters would be due on March 15, 2017. The Board approved the registration fee for Boys Farm Minor/Farm Major and Girls Farm leagues will be \$110, Girls Softball divisions will be \$120 and Boys Baseball divisions will be \$140. Keli will set up the website for online registration. Keli will work on a handout to be distributed to all three schools and the library, and the article(s) to be submitted to the RUR.
- There is a conflict with the December 13th date selected for the Christmas party; the Board agreed to move the date to December 15th. Gina will contact Bootlegger's to confirm the date and Keli will send the email inviting the 2016 Managers, along with their spouses.

- Discussed how we will manage and be compensated for the use of our fields by teams outside of hot stove; Dan suggested having those teams/managers attend our annual fundraiser and/or work the concession stand when they are scheduled to play on our fields.
- The township has indicated they will meet with us to discuss the field conditions; Dan will set up that meeting to occur immediately before our January 19th meeting.
- The Board will need to vote on the uniform vendor before or shortly after registration opens.
- The annual fundraiser has been scheduled for April 8th, 2017. The grand hall at the Eagles has been reserved for the event. Keli will contact Wright's Catering & Concession for menu/price options. Keli will contact the Eagles to gain more details about the venue. Keli will post a "save the date" on the website.
- Dan spoke to Mr. Jump regarding field conditions and was informed that material has been purchased to redo the mound on Field A (may have enough to also repair the mound on Field B).

Correspondence:

- Nick from Coach's Alliance.
- Dick Heidecker from the township regarding the field conditions.
- Once inquiry about registration.

Open Discussion:

- N/A

Adjourned: 8:18 pm

Next Meeting: December 15, 2016 @ 7:00 pm Bootleggers