

Plum Baseball & Softball Association

Board Meeting Minutes: February 20, 2014

7:00 PM

Three Rivers Bar & Grill

Board Members

Present: Bob Sekerka, Dave Seitz, Jim Gilboy, Jim Poe, Eric Seigh, Bill Rumcik, Jay White, Mike Bostard, Matt Desantis, Rick Napoleon, Greg James, John Simmers, Greg Bohatch, Marty DeGore, Ken Kolenik

Absent: Dan Maciocie, Steve Zummo, Aaron Cotter

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present

Proceedings

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:07 p.m. by President, Bob Sekerka.

Last month's meeting minutes were not approved as they need to be typed up by Eric first.

Registration Update

Bob provided an overview of registrations to date. There are currently about 270 players registered. We reviewed our first in-person registration session at St. John's the prior night and requested more volunteers from the Board for the upcoming sessions this weekend.

It was discussed that manager applications are due by February 28 and that we'll need one week to convene and vote on the managers for the upcoming season. The drafts for each league are targeted to occur between March 15 and 22.

Bob reminded us that player registrations after February 28 are subject to a \$25 late fee. Each League Director should do their best to get late registrants onto teams.

Concession Committee

Grandslam Pizza has agreed to revised terms to be the PBSA concessions provider, which includes a guaranteed rent of \$3,200 spread out over several months. Dave will take care of getting the lease paperwork signed.

The same committee will continue to work on defining the process and controls for managing the Coke machines independently from Grandslam Pizza.

Revised Meeting Dates

The Board discussed changing the days of the week for future Board Meetings and General Membership Meetings. Beginning in March, Board Meetings will occur on the 3rd Tuesday of the month while General Membership Meetings will occur on the 4th Tuesday of each month. We will vote on this during our TBD managers application meeting.

All Star Game Weekend

A committee was formed to plan activities for All Star Weekend. That committee consists of Bill, Rick, John, from Baseball & Jay, Greg B., and Ken, from softball. The All Star games will be played on Saturday, June 7. Rosters need to be set by May 24.

Tournament Dates

The Board revisited the discussion from the last meeting concerning tournament dates. The following dates were agreed to:

Weekend Date	Tournament	Notes
May 9 – 11	Atlantic Coast	Mother's Day
May 30 – Jun 1	Atlantic Coast (PA State Championship)	
Jun 6 – 8	PBSA All Star Game (June 7)	
Jun 27 – 30	Fast Pitch Tournament	
Jul 4 – 6	Slow Pitch Tournament	
Jul 11 – 13	Baseball A Tournament	July 10 through July 16
Jul 25 – 27	Baseball B Tournament	July 24 through July 29
Aug 30 – Sept 1	Atlantic Coast (King of the City)	

Photo Day

The Board chose Saturday, May 3 for Photo Day. To avoid any conflicts with the lacrosse organization, we are going to look into moving the location to the high school. Dave is going to check with a different photographer who may offer a cut of the profits. Aaron was assigned the responsibility to plan the arrangements for Photo Day.

Financial Report

Jim P. presented the Balance Sheet and Profits/Loss for November through February.

The Board discussed delinquent payments and how to address them. There is about \$500 of unpaid registration fees from the 2013 Fall season. It was decided that players will not be permitted to play if they have an outstanding balance from a previous season.

Building and Grounds

Mike reported that he is awaiting responses from the Borough about proceeding with dugout replacement.

Mike, Jay and Bill have been working on a revised plan for weekly work parties at the fields. The new plan distributes responsibility beyond League Directors and managers to include parents and players. They will continue to plan strategy, scheduling, scope, and incentives.

Revised T-Ball Age

Bill motioned to expand T-Ball to 4 year olds. There are a number of parents requesting early entry for their child. Several concerns were raised from both the child's and manager's perspective. For the child, would they have the dexterity to compete with 6 year olds? From the manager's perspective, will younger players require too much attention from coaches?

Motion to modify the age cut-off date for T-Ball from age 5 as of April 30 of the current year to age 5 as of August 31 of the current year passed. Four year olds cannot play the infield and their parents will be encouraged to help with their child on the field.

Dual Colt/Pony League

John noted that there are several players on the 9th grade team who will play Colt League this year but who also want to play Pony League. They are age-eligible for Pony League. The Board concurred that there is nothing preventing them from doing this, they will simply have to pay the extra fees for a second league.

Age Exceptions for Leagues

Several parents of Fast Pitch players have asked during registration to move their child up to the next league. The Board denied these exceptions. In one case, the player is not yet eligible to play 10U Fast Pitch. In this case, the Board also denied the exception citing that the player could opt to play Rookie Baseball instead of Slow Pitch.

PBAA Assets

Dave shared that the PBAA is planning to make a \$13k donation to the Urban Impact from the sale of its assets. A hearing is scheduled on March 4 and PBSA is filing an objection.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Eric Seigh.