

Plum Baseball & Softball Association

Board Meeting Minutes: August 21, 2014

8:00 PM

Concession Stand Pavilion

Board Members

Present: Bob Sekerka, Jim Poe, Eric Seigh, Jay White, Mike Bostard, Rob Carnahan, Rick Napoleon, Dan Maciocie, Greg James, Greg Bohatch, Marty DeGore

Absent: Dave Seitz, Bill Rumcik, Matt Desantis, John Simmers, Steve Zummo, Ken Kolenik, Mark Dargay

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present

Proceedings

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:21 p.m. by President, Bob Sekerka.

Last month's meeting minutes were previously approved via email.

Treasurer Report

- Jim will lead 2015 budget planning. He will schedule a preliminary budget review sometime in September with the rest of the Board.
- Profit for each tournament is as follows:

Fast Pitch	\$1,721
Slow Pitch	\$2,732
Baseball A	\$2,234
Baseball B	\$3,299

- The August financials have been posted to the PBSA web site. Approximately \$6,600 in registration fees for the fall league is not reflected in this statement.

Committee / Board Reports

Building and Grounds Report

- The dugout plans have been approved. We are awaiting bids for constructing shingled roofs.
- Dugouts for fields 3 and 4 have been demolished.
- A golf club in the area is offering to donate large netting to our association that we intend to use along the left field line of field 3. We are discussing the disassembly and assembly of the netting with the borough.
- The first work party for the fall season is this Saturday. We are asking for help from everyone. Future Saturdays will be divided up by leagues as was done in the spring.
- Mike has been exploring the possibility of getting an intern from Pitt or PSU to help with field maintenance. This would be a paid position, and if we are interested then we must submit paperwork by November.
- The leases on the Toros will expire in January, 2015. We need to explore buying them out or making other plans.

Reports of Baseball League Representatives

None

Reports of Softball League Representatives

Fast Pitch Update

- PBSA successfully negotiated with the JV and Varsity FP teams to stay with PBSA for the 2014 fall season.
- All fall teams are currently maxed out on players. There are 96 total players across 7 teams in 5 divisions.
- Practices started this week.
- The FP tournament made approximately \$1,700 in profits. Profits were hampered by poor weather and dismal t-shirt sales.

The JV team wishes to bring 5 other teams to our complex using 3 fields (6 total teams) while the varsity team would play away. This differs from what we ordinarily do where there are a total of 4 teams playing on 2 fields for each Plum team involved (which there are 2). One concern is that we will prepare 3 fields instead of 2, and yet there is only 1 Plum team using those fields. After some discussion, we agreed to allow this.

Old Business

None

New Business

- Approximately 410 player registrations for the fall season so far.
- Fast Pitch is starting a week earlier than baseball this fall. They will have a 12-game season over 6 weeks.
- There is a meeting scheduled with the concession stand vendor this upcoming Monday to plan for the fall season.
- Mike recommended that we have multiple tournament directors for the baseball tournaments. Several ideas were suggested, including having an experienced tournament director stay on to help guide next year's director. Nothing was formally decided at the meeting.
- Mike asked that our tournament eligibility requirements be better documented. A committee will be formed to address this as well as league rules and the bylaws.
- Eric shared an opportunity to run offseason clinics at Monroeville Sport Center.
- Eric noted that there is gap in the birth certificate verification process in League Toolbox. He will check with the vendor to see what can be done.

Mike asked that we set our 2015 tournament dates so that the Cooperstown teams can make their plans. It was also discussed that we consider condensing the baseball tournaments to 4 days instead of nearly a week. The Board tentatively agreed to the following dates for next year.

Fast Pitch Tournament	June 26 – 28
Slow Pitch Tournament	July 3 – 5
Baseball A Tournament	July 10 – 13
Baseball B Tournament	July 17 - 20

Motions

None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 PM.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Eric Seigh.