

Plum Baseball & Softball Association

Board Meeting Minutes: March 12, 2015

7:00 PM

John Anthony's

Board Members

Present: Bob Sekerka, Jim Poe, Eric Seigh, Bill Rumcik, Jay White, Mike Bostard, Matt Desantis, Mike Norcutt, Rick Napoleon, Dan Macioce, Greg Foster, Mark Proviano, Ken Kolenik, Rob Carnahan

Absent: Dave Seitz, Greg James, Steve Zummo, Mark Dargay, Greg Bohatch

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present:

Proceedings

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President, Bob Sekerka.

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

Treasurer Report

- Jim is going to distribute umpire money to League Reps this year instead of to individual managers to reduce the number of checks he has to write. Each League Rep will be responsible for cashing the check and distributing the money to each manager. Along with this change he has developed a new form to be used to track the umpire money distributed and used which will be issued to each League Rep instead of each manager.
- The March financials have been posted to the PBSA web site. Additional banner income of \$1,200 was reported this month. Registration fees are expected to be around \$70,000.
- The credit line with S&T Bank was approved.

Committee / Board Reports

Building and Grounds Report

- The shed by the batting cage area near fields 2 and 4 needs to be moved due to the reconstruction of the batting area. It also needs a new roof. Estimated costs to replace the roof and move the shed are \$1,000 - \$1,200. Alternatively, we could purchase a new shed for roughly the same cost. The Board voted to purchase a new shed. Mike will investigate options for pre-built sheds and send to the Board for review and a vote.
- We had an applicant from PSU who was interested in our intern position this summer, but he has taken another internship closer to home. There are no other applicants at this time. We will look to expand the search to someone local for part-time help.
- The second dugout on Field 4 is in progress.
- Port-a-johns for fields 6 and 8 should be in place by the start of practices the week of March 30.
- The new Sand Pro is arriving this week.
- Managers may pick up equipment and keys on March 29 at noon at the main concession stand.

Concessions Committee

- No update

Reports of Baseball League Representatives

- Bill noted that our baseball tournaments have been added to the MCAA web site. He urged all members to reach out to our contacts to recruit teams.

Reports of Softball League Representatives

- There will be two 15U Fast Pitch teams this year. Mark Timko and Randy Shanter were approved as managers.
- Several 12U Fast Pitch players will be moved up to 15U to provide enough players for two teams. These girls are experienced Junior High players.

Old Business

Spring Registration

- Both Junior and Pony Baseball conducted their drafts last night.
- Minor Baseball draft is tomorrow night.
- Rookie and Minor Softball drafts are complete.
- Uniform orders are being submitted this Monday.
- Online waiting list will be turned over to League Reps to monitor.
- Need League Reps to confirm their managers so that we can initiate background checks soon.

Photo Day

The Board officially agreed on April 25 for Photo Day.

Carnival Update

- We are evaluating vendors to provide entertainment services. Mike is working to get information on costs.
- We are targeting to have the carnival in August or September.

New Business

Rain Policy on Fields 1, 3 and 5

Jay raised a concern about adopting a policy for these fields during inclement weather on weeknights. The issue is that in some circumstances, parents and coaches for the 6pm game work hard to get these fields playable only to find out that the game ends up being cancelled, and then the parents and coaches for the 8pm game show up, continue the work that was done by earlier volunteers, and are able to get the fields playable for their game by leveraging the work done by the earlier teams. In addition, we want to ensure that the 8pm game starts on time. The Board agreed to a 6:30pm drop-dead date for the start of the earlier game. This means that the first game can only be played if the first pitch occurs by 6:30pm, otherwise it is cancelled. This limits the amount of time and energy invested by volunteers to get the fields ready for the first game, reducing potential conflict with the 8pm game.

Motions

None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Minutes submitted by Secretary, Eric Seigh.