

VNLL Board Meeting 8/21/24  
Creekside Round Table Pizza 6pm

**Attendees:**

Tom Peale, Mike Rosano, Ariana Bell, Nikki Brendlinger, Becca Spiers, Rebecca Lorente, Chris Brendlinger, Karen Wallace, Sam Nielson, John Savage, Jake Mack, Andrea Garcia, Afton Diez, Nick Figniak, Jillian Bracamonte, Marada Hanson, Lynnae Lipary, Kristina Lipary, Jason Augustson, Todd Kaiser

*Meeting called to order at: 6:03pm*

**Presidents Report –**

\*Thanked everyone for coming, went over expectations of each board member as this is new to a lot of people, please ask for help. We understand this is not your 1<sup>st</sup> priority but we want to leave VNLL a better league than before. Please be respectful adults and let's work together to come up with solutions. Volunteering is expected but please let us know asap if something comes up or you cant make it, so we can find someone else to cover. Please keep meetings strictly business related from start to end of meeting. Keep personal things separate.

\*Wanted to let everyone know of a complaint of a parent who was hit by foul ball and left with all information to file, but paperwork didn't get filed correctly (20 days past) we need to make sure we take care of things day of incident or within protocol. Rebecca- we need to express that these incident reports are filled out and submitted asap to Safety Coordinators (Rebecca and Erik). We do have insurance to cover incidents but we need to get them in on time. We are at a liability if we pass the window because now we have to sign waivers to get injured person the care they need. We should go forward with BMOD filling out paperwork day of incident. Reports are everywhere (scorekeeper box in binder, snack shack binder, manager binder, team parent binder, shed binder of extras) and then send as a picture or upload to google drive for Safety Coordinator. Tom brought all of the paperwork and a report to keep on file.

\*Rules Committee- anyone wanting to be on the committee to help with rules. With the Farm Rule change that happened last minute, All Stars Selection had some issues, we will have a separate meeting with things in writing with changes people want to see for next season. We will meet more than once and will bring changes to board for voting in September. Division reps highly recommended to attend. These rules also need to comply with green book, blue book, constitution and by-laws. We would like to extend to VALL for possible inter-leaguings but if they do not respond within a reasonable time frame we will need to just move forward with the rules voted on by the Board for home

rules. We also don't have to inter-league. Meeting TBD look in group me for set date, time and location.

\*Shaded area, looks good green area for sponsorship banners. Talked with Bryon about different things to upgrade. Slats, yellow taping and more. Bringing up for when we get prices for voting later in the year but want to make improvements

### **VP Report –**

\*YSAT Meeting (Tom and Mike attended) asked a lot of questions, city seems easy to work with

\*Concessions Snack Shack was walked and finalized

\*Field was walked and finalized today 8/21 all keys were turned in. Tom and Mike will walk with Sergio and Scott from the City field maintenance to walk fields tomorrow morning. Tuesday is mow days and weeding. Walk through to address little field things like A4 lock replacement. City repainted benches and tables and back stops, please make note in group me tonight if you think of anything else that needs to be addressed.

\*City purchased a laser to level the fields. Prior to fall ball, they will level out the fields and then again when they hand keys to VNLL for spring play. Leveling the fields needs more dirt, City said last season they matched our leveling request, but this next season we should get more dirt.

\*City put a request to use the snack shack during fall ball. City will do a walk thru before use and after use. Only refrigerator and freezer in snack shack, all other appliances in Connex. Afton-Concern of day to day use without knowing if damage was done, wear and tear, etc. Hopefully paid workers vs VNLL volunteers take care of equipment. Lynnae-Mounds was a previous request that the city did want to borrow and work with us on possible wear and tear costs. We were responsible for putting on fields and then taking off fields. We get charged for using fields and all the things for spring season, we should be properly compensated if we decide to let the city borrow because we ultimately have to foot the bill. Maybe a discount for spring fees or usage? Mike- If we do decide to let the city borrow the mounds for Fall Ball, A4 could possibly become a permanent mound without us having to move it. There is both pros and cons to working out an agreement with the city. Miranda- Possibly use a depreciation model for city's usage for both mounds and refrigerators. Kristina- City has back pedaled in past, our league has 5G tower that has been paid for by parents but League never got a kick back, maybe work with city to make a fair agreement.

\*Sundays, fields can be available if needed we just need to communicate to city. Jason-Softball has to pay rental fees for every Sunday they use those fields. Tom-We shouldn't have to pay as long as we don't use every Sunday

\*New overhang on A3 was paid for by Measure M where funds were allocated to parks. City recommended if anyone knows a City Council member, they can help fund bigger projects to make the fields better.

\*We have money in our account, so we would like to put money back into the fields. We are looking for some kind of netting, possibly Spiderweb netting to help protect spectators from flyballs to prevent injuries.

#### **Treasurer Report –**

- Current account Balance \$76,320.30
  - Please reach out to the Treasurer in GroupMe for additional information as she is unable to attend the meeting.

#### **Secretary-**

- Uniforms- Please have uniform vendors in by 9/10 to me. If there are 3 or less vendors I will extend an invite to have them at our September Meeting. If more than 3 I will send out a group me to see what questions we would like to ask so that we have all our questions answered before we vote at September meeting.
- If you would like to be added to the agenda please let me know.

#### **New Items-**

Ariana made a motion to make Lynnae Lippary and Krystle Camacho Board Members at Large, Tom Second, all in favor none opposed.

Kristina pointed out we need to go by our Constitution how many Board Members at Large are allowing, but our current constitution does not state a specific number. This topic will be discussed at our Rules Committee Meeting date and time TBD and will be presented as an update to our current Constitution at the September Meeting.

#### **Important Dates-**

- October 1, 2024 Registration Opens online

*Meeting adjourned at: 7:04pm*

*Next Board Meeting: Wednesday September 18, 2024 @ 5:30pm*