



January 11, 2024

Attendees: Maegan Schlitzer, Tom Burkholder, Christine O'Connor, Kerin Young, Jen Johnson, Eileen Sweeney, Joe Dagostino, James Domestico, Kristen Nolan, Ava Florest, Sarah Mahoney, Steve Florest, Shannon Fitzpatrick, Marcus Collins, Donna Barbato, Matt Evans, Matt DiVenere

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

February 15, 2024 @ 7pm

March 12, 2024 @ 7pm

April 9, 2024 @ 8pm

May 14, 2024 @ 8pm

June 11, 2024 @ 8pm

July 9, 2024 @ 8pm

Meeting commences at 7:03pm EDT

December meeting notes: Adopted

Treasurer's report: Now shows finances year over year. Cash position is good. Will brainstorm ways to spend funds.

Spring Rec Registration: Report shared. Anyone who volunteered to share FGSA registration info on Facebook pages is encouraged to do so ASAP. Uniform order date is March 1 and practices begin in March. Shannon will analyze registration by grade level year over year, provide a report of Fury players not yet registered for Rec, and create a Google sheet with players from last year not yet registered so we can conduct outreach to families.

Town Partnerships: For Juniors and Minors, a meeting with KP towns will occur at the end of this month with Tom and Maegan. Group is aligned to keep current Rec division age groupings rather than revise them to match the new USA Softball age divisions. No changes are expected to the rules.

For Seniors, Ashland and Medway are "maybes" based on HS tryouts. Bellingham and Holliston are committed for the season. Matt to review rules and confirm no changes to Seniors rules before Steve shares with Jack for umpires.

Opening Day: Christine to create a poll for Board member availability to hold Opening Day 4/21, 4/28, or 5/4. Maegan has volunteered to run the Opening Day Committee and is looking for additional volunteers to help. Email Maegan if available to pitch in.

Other Rec Topics: Request to consider scheduling some Instructional games at Pisani. James to look for opportunities to accommodate, specifically later in the season when playoffs are complete and on the date of the KP Jamboree.

Training Update: Confirmed Spring Rec practice durations for each division: 1.5 hours for Instructional and Intermediate, 2 hours for Minors and up. Clinics began this past Saturday with solid turnout and plenty of volunteers. Matt to help take photos/videos at clinics to post on social media.

Fury Updates: Training began last week.

Tournaments: All tournaments posted. Heroes & Hitters full for both divisions. Killer B full for 12U, at 6 for 10U. Will work on generating traffic for 14U, which was just posted. Tournament committee working on a draft schedule for volunteer weekends.

Fundraising: Super Bowl squares fundraiser will take place next month. \$50/square for main board, \$25/square for possible second board. Communication about this fundraiser will go out in 1-2 weeks. Christine will meet with Maegan about the process for creating past boards. Funds from squares will be used for a cash calendar raffle in the Spring.

Donna to reach out to prior Spring sponsors. Group is encouraged to share any ideas for new sponsors. Will provide sponsors with t-shirts that have their logos as part of thank you.

Equipment: Need more catcher equipment for younger girls. Suggestion to take Pisani bases to Downtown Sports for winter training instead of flat bases. Equipment orders for fields can go through Ava. Ice packs were hard to come by at the end of last season. Communicate more clearly to coaches that extra ice packs are in Pisani sheds and coaches should make sure they have three in their bags at all times. Packs stored inside catchers bags have a tendency to break before use.

Field Improvements: Ava is compiling an order for field supplies in collaboration with Steve and Maegan.

Meeting adjourns at 8:11 pm EDT