

January Board Notes

In attendance: Kelli, Scott, Marty, Kathy, Lori, Glenn, Jon, Jen A. and Jen G. – ALL IN ATTENDANCE!

Jen approved the minutes from December. Kathy seconded them. December minutes approved.

Jon went through action items from December meeting

Financial Update: Jen

- 2008 Reconciliation passed out
- 2007 vs. 2008 comparison passed out

Fundraiser Update: Kelli

- Working on sponsorships, pictures, apparel and TWINS.
- Picture Date: Wednesday, June 3, 5 -8 pm. Space reserved in the Middle School cafeteria. June 2nd is for baseball and our teams could also go.
- If it is nice, try to do pictures outside.
- Kelly spoke w/ Tom Bernard from Varsity Sports. OSA will receive a commission on supplies and merchandise sold to help w/ new equipment and field maintenance. .
- Twins handout Nights: We are waiting for the schedule. Kelly to give each team a date to fill instead of allowing each person/family to pick a date. All agreed this was a better approach.
- Secured sponsorships: returning sponsor - TRIAD , returning sponsor - Syngenta 10U, new sponsor - Ice -o -metric 10U.

Website update:

- New Website Discussion – OSA needs a new website. Options

Registration:

- Form needs to be updated
- Send out a Save the date postcard
- Discussion on fees and cost per girl. Orono is much less than surrounding communities.

In-House Update: Scott/Jen G –

- Coaches need more help. Many are first time coaches at the t-ball level
- If we want the program to be more successful and grow we need to start at a lower level.
- Scott willing to take the coaches/teams on a Sat/Sun to “show” them what to do

- Need to create a “to do” fundamentals sheet for each coach/practice outline – to be completed by the end of April.
- Coach’s clinic the first week of May or end of April. Include T-ball coaches.

Field Equipment: Marty

- Dirt to be dumped on fields to make it safer for kids. Glenn and Marty to take lead.
- Ask Baseball to help with cost. Also ask Community Ed to assist and HS
- Marty spoke to Steve Hall. They think they should do the lower fields.
- Scott wants to make sure we have good catchers helmets and shin guards (all age levels) and one good catcher set at all level, batting practice/pitching machine balls (not consistent) – would like to get lighter foam balls, Check out JUGS. One bat per team – see if we get in through the donation process. In house bases need replacing. Wiffle balls/foam balls/light flights made by Jugs. Marty has a “guy” who can get wiffle balls. Batting T’s needed, one for each team. We currently share w/ the high school.

Program update: 10 – 18U: Kathy

- Sunday Nights: Need four coaches each Sunday. Don’t need to do it every Sunday. Clinics start February 1st – start of season. ACTION ITEM: Jen and Lori to create email. Invite Team managers.
- Action Item: Coaches meeting before Sunday Clinic. Kathy to run the clinics
- Nat willing to swap out his services for use of our fields. He would help our kids w/ clinics.
- Try-Outs March 14th
- Code of Conduct – Kathy emailed it out to board members for review. Minor changes came back. Group agreed that everyone should sign it.
- Newsletter – sponsorship oppty, donate items.