



	<b>PLAY Softball Agenda</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Feb. 13, 2011</b>
<b>Called By</b>	Softball Committee	<b>Start Time</b>	5:30 p.m.
<b>Location</b>	<i>Firestation</i>		
<b>Attendees:</b>	<i>Kari Ahlstrom, George Kraemer, Keith Strodman, Mike Gruebele, Gloriann Peot, Scott Swensen, Steve Hoeg, Char Chmielewski, Kirk Sagert, Leanne Sagert, Barb Everson</i>		
<b>MISSION</b>	The mission of Prior Lake Softball is to create a healthy, competitive, drug-free environment where young girls and women can build their skills as athletes and people.		

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<b>Person Responsible</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Highlights</b>
Kari	<b>Softball Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Board Philsophy</b> Welcome Kari as the VP of Softball. Kari has put together some goals for the program and strategic vision with tactics to accomplish that vision. The board needs to determine what next action steps are necessary to achieve the goals and long term vision. We want to provide an opportunity for girls who want to compete at a higher level and to excel at that. We also want to provide a less competitive environment for girls who desire an environment less competitive. One goal is to develop a sense of community by positively promoting softball within the community and providing the girls ways to give back to the community.</li> <li>• <b>Open Positions</b> Open positions-Umpire coordinator, field coordinator, uniform coordinator. Mark Fredrick is the field maintenance coordinator. Hiring teens again to help with the field maintenance. Look at long term investment in order to move the mounds. Keith will meet with Mike Keeting/Kevin Hofferma regarding fields.</li> </ul>

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Leanne	Fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leanne met with Robert to confirm plans for the breakfast. T-Shirts and silly bands are purchased.</li> <li>Leanne will put flyers at local businesses this week. Ad will run in the Prior Lake American for the two weeks prior. Gloriann has posted at all of the schools. Keith will put up the signs the morning of.</li> <li>Flyers on cars at Shepard Lake and St. Mikes. George will print 200 flyers. Char will cover the cars at one church and Gloriann will find another volunteer to put flyers on cars at the other. Use for volunteer hours.</li> <li>Tickets due Feb. 18.</li> </ul>
Steve	Tournament	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview</li> </ul> <p>Flyer is posted for the Prior Lake tournament.  Steve will get a message out to the coaches that have previously participated. Offer an incentive for the coaches as a part of registration.  Head umpire is set up.  At the next meeting we need to determine a date when we decide if we are using the Savage Field or not.  Do we want a flyer for the tournament? Use local businesses to sponsor the tournament. Kari will talk to Kathi Hansen regarding completing this flyer.  Steve will talk to Gloriann regarding the number of volunteer hours necessary for the tournament.  Entertaining shorter fences for potential home runs.</p>
Kirk	Try-outs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confirm dates</li> </ul> <p>March 12 for skills training. March 13-pitcher/catcher and girls who cannot make the March 12 date.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Try-out details</li> </ul> <p>Board determined the process will be a two day process. Skills drills on Day 1. Situational on Day 2.  Action item: one last small group discussion to finalize the details. After the next open gym on Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, finalize. Pick Day 2 date at that time.</p> <p>Some of the high school girls are going to help with tryouts so the coaches can watch.  Coordinator gets with the coaches to make those decisions.</p>

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		<p>Have to be a little flexible during the process to move girls around to see what the coaches need to see.</p> <p>Board still has final discretion on placement decisions.</p> <p>Kids who want to move up-try out at the upper level. If they don't make it, they move down.</p>
Keith	Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Equipment process</li> </ul> <p>Have purchased a new pitching machine.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uniform process</li> </ul> <p>Keith and Kari need to coordinate on uniform process. Have uniforms at clinics for people to try on. Process will be the same as last year. Girls needs to order a pair of shorts for a hot weather option. We will be offering spirit wear again this year.</p>
George	2011 Season	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High school alliance</li> </ul> <p>George, Kari, and Keith met with the high school coach. Will give a book to coaches at the beginning of the season with plays.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pitch to pitch</li> </ul> <p>They bring expertise to help us run clinics. We need to determine if we still want to participate with pitch to pitch. They will be at the next clinic. The goal is to bring more professionalism to the process. We want to continue to focus on improving the clinics.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>George will cover rule changes for 10U at the next meeting.</li> <li>Open gym update</li> </ul> <p>Open gyms have been organized. Received positive input on Dibbs process for volunteers.</p> <p>Reviewed the recent vote at the Suburban League meeting opposing the Minnetonka Menace &amp; Prior Lake Freeze from entering the Suburban League</p>