

PWYSA
Meeting Minutes
July 7, 2011 830pm
Plymouth Lunds Meeting Room

Board members present: Mike Rod, Jeff France, Terri Schifferle, Sue Edblom, Dennis Spindler, Joe Waalk, Mike Carter, Mark Anderson, and Tom Mertens

Guests present: Jim Helseth, Kevin Werstein, and Don Frank

Meeting called to order at 0845pm.

Rec in house

Update on rec tournament

All volunteer spots are filled. All the food as be ordered. Jeff will need bracket boards from Mark and cash box from Tom. We will again pay the umpires on the spot when they are done.

Fall ball

So far 7 girls are signed up.

We need to spark interest to get more girls signed up. Registration will stay open until teams are full. We will keep open until nationals are over. Mark will send another email blast highlighting program. In the past we have had 2-3 teams at each level.

We still need to identify coaches.

We will use the same T-shirts as last year. The girls will not get to pick their own numbers as this just creates trouble with ordering. Will order numbers 1 thru 12 and go from there.

Financials

June results

We have collected the 2nd payment from the Vortex teams, \$500 from the Chipolte fundraiser, and T shirt money from the warm up.

We are awaiting the deposit from the warm up from the city of Medina totaling \$800.

Invoices from PromoWear have been received and will be paid.

Umpire fees are starting to come in from travel and rec.

So far we have paid out \$3600 in city fees for the field rental.

July will bring revenue from fall ball.

Tom set up a separate bank account for the scholarship fund. This will make it easier to track the money going into it. Fund is now at \$1400. This is due to an anonymous donation and proceeds from the brats at the warm up. This will keep it going at least another 3 years. We would eventually like to offer multiple scholarships.

Motion was made to accept the financials. It was seconded and motion passed.

Operations and equipment

Spring schedules are set.

Have some conflicts with multiple teams showing up for practices. Next year Brian will schedule teams for the whole year. He will also make a master schedule and make this schedule for all to see. He will be the only one to make changes to it.

Travel/Nationals

All teams are going to state.

Four teams have qualified for Nationals. Folven 10U, Anderson and Waalk 12U, and D'Quisto 14U. The 14U team is not going as their National birth was in Nebraska.

In the past the board covered a portion or all of the entry fee. Gate fee, pins, and gift bags were the responsibility of each team to cover. We need to come up with a policy on future teams.

It is determined that the board will consider each year based on the financial situation of the program and the number of teams qualifying whether to pay the registration fee for Nationals. The board will only consider if the team qualified and did not buy their way in. Any additional fees....ie gift bags, gate fee, and pins will be at the discretion of the team going.

Motion made to pay the entry fee for the 3 teams going to nationals for this year totaling approximately \$1300. It was seconded and passed.

Communications

Fall ball registration is up and running. 7 girls are signed up so far. This number should increase once state and national tournys are over.

Mark will send email blast over the weekend to highlight the program.

Parents seem more familiar with dibs now and there have been less issues.

Jeff would like the registration program to take parents right to the dibs screen after they register. They could then sign up to volunteer right there and then or pay their opt out fee.

If parents don't volunteer and don't pay the opt out fee, they will get the fee added to their next registration.

Summer clinics

Clinics start the week of August 22nd.

Amber will be running them with other clinicians. They are being run in conjunction with the Park and Rec program. So far there are 5 kids signed up. The city will not charge us to rent the field based on this partnership. The city will get 70% profit from the non PWYSA kids and 30% profit from the PWYSA kids and vice versa for us.

The clinics need at least 25 kids so we don't have to think about canceling them. There will not be an elite clinic level this year.

Mike C. is looking at arranging some private and/or small group lessons to add more revenue.

Vortex

14U team earned multiple national births. They are going to 2 of them. 16U has not earned but are still working on it. If they do not earn they are still planning on going. They will pay all the fees for this.

Motion made to cover the registration fee for the 14U national birth. It was seconded and motion passed. (Mike C and Tom M were not counted in the voting.)

The Vortex teams are a break even venture for the board. All expenses are tracked and accounted for and then eventually paid back. The 16U team has 12 PWYSA kids and the 14U team has 8 PWYSA kids on their rosters.

Both teams have fundraisers to try to keep costs down. All proceeds benefit them alone. The goal is to cover expenses and not necessarily make money. Question raised whether they should share in the over head expenses such as dome rental and clinics as they use these resources along with everyone else? Tom to look into this and bring financial breakdown to the next meeting. Tom

estimates this fee to be around \$250-300, but will bring more specific numbers to the next meeting.

Vortex planning for next year:

Some considerations have to be discussed.....

- 1. Do we have a team for this fall and how many girls do we need from PWYSA?**
- 2. Coaching support?**

Tryouts are tentatively scheduled for July 26th and July 27th.

Motion was made to have a Vortex team for the fall and that it should include 50% PWYSA players. It was seconded and Motion passed.

Coaching staff will be responsible for picking the teams. A committee will be made to insure that the selection process is fair. We will have to meet once tryouts are over and decide if a team could be formed based on the tryout results. Will need to meet sooner rather than later as most kids will try out for multiple teams and offers need to be made. Offers are usually made within a week after tryouts and players have 48 hours to respond back. Last year offers were made and some were not accepted.

Meeting adjourned at 1130pm.