

Golden Valley Girls Softball Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 19, 2011

**Present:** Tommy Thompson, Dave Mullen, Chris Staples, Rick Godfrey, Larry Zigan, Tim Mickelson, Maryann Mickelson, Dave Campbell, Jane Hagstrom

**Introductions of board**

**Vote on 2011-12 nominations:** Board installed

Pres: Tommy Thompson  
Sr. League VP: Andy Bukowski  
Jr. League VP: Keith Hiljus  
Treasurer: Anne Hennen  
Secretary: Jane Hagstrom  
Concession: Jody Campbell, Curt Johnson  
Equip Dir: Rick Godfrey  
Sponsorship Dir: Dave Mullen  
Registration Dir: Tim & Maryann Mickelson  
Traveling Dir: Chris STaples  
Sr. League Player Rep: Dave Campbell  
Jr. League Player Rep: Larry Zigan

**Presidents welcome:** Tommy expressed gratitude to Brian Nelson for all his time and expertise to the league. Welcomed and thanked new board for their time.

**2012 Dates:**

April	12:	Coaches meeting
	14:	Try-outs
	17:	Sr. Draft
	18:	Jr Draft
	23:	Practice begins
May	19:	Opening Day
	20:	Rain Day if needed
June	15,16, 17	Midseason Tournament
	23, 24	Classic Tournament
July	20, 21, 22	End of Season Tournament
	24:	Senior All STar Game
	25:	Jr All Star Game
	26:	Sr/Alumni Game

**Umpires:**

It was discussed that we should have an umpire rep attend board meetings. This would be a non-voting position that would build good communication to the board and the league. Umpire rep responsibilities to include: Still accountable to Mary, attend board meetings, Communication to umpires, including rule changes. Tommy will talk to Mary, and have her look for interested umpire rep.

**Rule Changes:** Slide rule clarity is needed

**Sliding Clinic:** Will host this along with pitching clinic

**Try-out Day:** Rick Godfrey

Sports Authority has offered to set up a “shop” in the cafeteria with helmets, sliding pants, pads, etc. for families to purchase. Rick will be meeting with Sports Authority and Dick’s. Both stores offer coupons and giveaways to the league. Rick is working with them and All Star sports on buying equipment and supplies.

**Shoe Swap:** Maryann Mickelson

Maryann know someone that would volunteer to put together a shoe swap during try-outs. All money raised would go to the scholarship fund.

**Website:**

Working towards registering on-line. It was suggested that we offer registering online along with my mail/drop off, this year. Maryann & Tim will talk to Dave Moos and Andy Bukowski.

We also discussed regular training to coaches on website for team pages.

DIB’s: Volunteer sign up page: could use for teams/families to sign up for concessions/field prep during tourney weekends.

There are many more capabilities to be used for our website.

**Volunteer opportunities:**

Suggested we maybe could use a volunteer coordinator for tourney concessions and field prep/maintenance.

Juniors would do one weekend, Seniors one weekend, Board would do opener.

**New Equipment requested:** Larry Zigan, Chris Staples

Larry requested a new chalk liner and Chris suggested new squeegees for each field.

**Wesley Field:**

Rick will check with the City about regrading the fields with dirt or diamond dust.

**Jr/Sr Reps need to be more involved with the day to day during the season:**

It was suggested that the League reps would be useful in the following:

- complaints
- coaching problems
- umpire problems
- able to delegate concerns of league and parents and coaches

**Coaches/Parents:**

We need to establish a code of conduct and establish a coach’s review.

**Permanent Concession stand:**

Discussion around a more permanent concession stand, trailer, upgraded electricity

