

WHYBA Meeting Minutes
11/16/2022

Attendees: TJ Stevens, RJ Sherman, Scott Bodenschatz, Misse Toth, John Toth, Marcus Ranalli, Shaun Laden, John Lamberti, Matt Olson, Jamie Carzima

Officially Called To Order: Meeting started at 7:35pm

Main Topics Discussed: Registration, Upcoming Dates, Spirit Wear and Jerseys/Hats, Field Clean Up, Umpire Pay

Public Comment:

TJ Steven President's Report:

RJ Sherman Vice President's Report:

Misse Toth Secretary's Report:

- Work on getting registration flyer made and out to both public schools and child care centers
- Include the need for coaches, umpires and sponsors on the flyer
- Add March Clinic to January registration flyer

Marcus Ranalli Treasurer's Report: Nothing to report

Scott Bodenschatz Equipment Manager's Report:

- Still has a few more bags to collect
- Need new rookies catchers gear (6) ~\$120 each for this yr; Rossi provides new equipment every year for minors and majors

John Toth Field Manager's Report:

- To call about what happened to our tractor at Oxford field—Shaun volunteered to talk with Oxford about this
- John and Scott to coordinate a time/date to do pitchers mounds at Mansfield this fall

John Lamberti Safety Coordinator's Report:

- Presented the board with new logo designs, was talk about changing design vs keeping old design; board decided to look into a new logo for next year (as the rush to get one completed and agreed upon would take longer and spirit wear needs to be submitted soon.)

Joey Matarazzo Umpire Coordinator's Report: Not Present

Ryan Lance IT Report: Not Present

Shaun Laden Coaches Coordinator's Report: Nothing to report

Jamie Carzima Uniform Coordinator's Report:

- 5 business days for Spirit wear orders to come in after store closes
- Destination already has a store for us
- All Sports (Joe) to do all jerseys and for the coaches as they are cheaper than destination and then use destination for hats
- Registration needs to be a HARD close on February 28th with a \$25 late fee to cover the cost of a late order jersey; sponsors also need to be done and submitted at this time
- Next year, spirit wear store open for the holidays

Mike Amorosi Player Agent's Report: Not Present

Matt Olson Fundraising and Sponsorship's Report: Nothing to Report

Additional Comments:

- Umpires
 - Possible umpire pay to increase this yr to \$75 behind the plate (ATM: Solo plate \$60, Minors \$45, Majors \$50, field \$35—1/2 umps at Majors, 1 ump at Minors, Juniors?) - wait until after registration so Marcus knows how much we can spend on the increase
 - Umpire Clinic @ the high school beginning of April
 - This yr we need more communication between Joey/umps to inform coaches whether or not umps will be at the game prior to game starting
 - Discussion about Joey scheduling the whole season
 - Shaun knows some umpires
- Reinforce w/coaches that they are working with the school's schedules for Junior and middle school age. Encourage players to play both rec and school as the school season is short and their games get canceled a lot.
- Meadow Breeze has an AED. We must schedule CPR training this year.
- Winter/Spring Clinic Talk
 - In the past have done inside winter clinics @ gym or field house; 4-5wks, Memorial school was \$45/player, cost to rent gym was \$75/hr
 - This year try for March; see if the gym at Memorial is available for Saturday (if so field clean up days would change from Saturday to Sunday)
- Field Clean Up Events
 - Shaun to email coaches about coaches emailing their players to participate in field clean up days. Coaches need to push their players and parents to show up and volunteer their time to get the fields ready for playing
- Coaches Mandatory Meeting
 - Minors/Majors same day as evaluations; possibly switch majors coaches show up @ minors evals and minors coaches show up @ majors evals
 - Tball and Rookies can have their meeting same day together
 - At all meetings, coaches will be handed the rules in writing; sign that they understand the rules and will be held accountable for any actions that do not follow said rules
 - Need to push for more communication between coaches and their player/parents
- Reach out to ACF to see if they are willing to haul clay for sponsorship
- Next meeting discuss All-Stars
 - Set up what kids are willing to commit; during reg season player vote and coaches vote for who should be on All Stars
- Shaun spoke with the board about Oxford as a shed was removed from the field, all of our equipment is shoved into the remaining shed and our tractor is now missing. Shaun will ask Oxford about our missing tractor.

Calendar of Events:

November 25th—Ryan to open early bird registration

December 21st—Board Meeting at Williams (Wear your Ugly Sweaters!)

Jan 1st—Regular Registration Open, add March Clinic Information to Flyer

January 18th—Perspective Coaches to come to our January board meeting

February 15th—Set Coaches

Feb 18th—Minor Evals, Majors coaches meeting

Feb 25th—Major Evals, Minors coaches meeting

Feb 26th—Draft

February 27th—March 3rd—Coaches reach out to players this week

Feb 28th—Registration Closes; teams and sponsors done by then

March 4th—No team changes after this date

March Weekends—Spring Warm Up Clinic??

March 18/19th—Field Clean Up

March 25/26th—Field Clean Up

April—Set dates for tentative spring/summer league AND fall league (USABL District 20)

April 22nd—Tentative Opening Day