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Bill Varley, Concessions Manager
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SFBSA Meeting Agenda:

February 14, 2016

1. Roll Call/Sign In Sheet:

41 people were present including board members.

2. Treasurer's Report:

\$23K beginning balance, with registration fees so far we are up to \$51K. Blue Sombrero reconciles every other Tuesday so we should see an increase in balance for the past 2 weeks of registration soon. We are down a little in registration numbers so won't see as much revenue this year from registration as we did last spring.

Expenses: Had to give a few small registration refunds so far; AD Starr catchers equipment about \$5,500.

Taxes are done for 2015, Dave will get Paul to sign off on them soon.

We should get our tax ID in 30 days.

There is a new lock box down at Morgan concession stand to keep the money contained safely. Keys will be distributed as needed.

3. Boys Commissioners Report:

Damon wasn't present at the meeting; no updates.

4. Girls Commissioners Report:

Justin gave registration & team breakdown (outlined below in Registration updates)

Coaching requests – being evaluated now, should hear shortly

Player Development Goals & Objectives – Justin is putting together a reference guide of teaching/rules framework for coaches to cover at practices

- Fielding
- Base running/sliding
- Hitting/bunting
- Pitching/catching
- Identifying stronger players to watch

High School Softball – new head coach this year; Justin will work closely with her and meet with her once a month; he wants to have her input on our program

Youth Recognition Day at the High School

Youth Mentoring Program

Call Up System – Will request call up lists from all softball coaches to use throughout the season

Leagues – in house, CVC, GPGSL

Clinics – will look to provide youth clinics again this year; possibly bring a canned good; Travel Tryout help in early august for all ages 8 & up – no pressure, just to provide guidance on what they will be looking for, etc.

2016 ASA Tournament – will be July 15-17 this year – using all fields. 40 teams this year – need lots of help/volunteering again this year – will contact as it gets closer

5. Old Business:

- All Star Selection Process – to be presented at March Meeting
Bill Varley reached out to the committee; first meeting will be next Sunday at the VFW
- Snowball Softball Tournament Update
John wasn't present, but can provide a better update at next meeting. 8 team participated. John was raising money to re-turf the batting cages at Morgan park
- Dick's Shop Day – 20% off – Sat March 12; 11-6 Robinson – coupon on website and will be emailed out this week
- Ripken FlipGive – keep pushing it
Link on our website – please use for online shopping – it requires nothing other than shopping through the link
- Mid-Season Classic
We will keep discussing ideas for this
Discussed hosting an "Opening Day" this year – will discuss further

6. New Business:

- Registration Updates
611 total registrants:

<u>Baseball:</u>	<u>Softball:</u>
Tball – 117	8U Slow - 69
Coach Pitch – 110	10U Slow - 39
Kid Pitch – 107	10U Fast - 12
Little League – 67	12U Slow - 15
Pony League – 25	12U Fast - 24
Colt – 1 (not enough for team, will refund)	15U Slow – 10
	15U Fast - 15
- Manager Selection Process/Drafts
Will be discussed shortly; drafts to be set up prior to March 1. Coaches clearances (for head coach and all assistants) will be needed prior to first practice. Please get them to Laura Lamonde. Coaches link on our new website outlines what clearances are needed.
- Picture Day for SFBSA – Saturday, April 16, 2016 – will be at Sturgeon VFD again this year
- Turf Maintenance Quotes –Justin
Discussed Justin's turf maintenance quotes – the Township may split the cost with us, Justin is in the process of getting 2 additional quotes for comparison purposes.

- Field Maintenance Day(s) – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm - meet at Morgan Park (email will go out this week)
 - Spring – 3/5 (alt date 3/12) – OPENING FIELDS
 - Summer – 6/11 (alt date 6/18)
 - Fall – 9/10 (alt date 9/17)
 - Winter – 11/5 (alt date 11/12) – CLOSING FIELDS

Again this year, will need a manager or team representative from each team to attend Field Maintenance Day on 3/5. For those that do not have any team representation, that team will lose all star votes.
- Fundraising:
 - Team Sponsors/Banners/Advertisements Update

1 new sponsor this year so far – Ohio Valley General Hospital; All t-ball team sponsors are covered, will now just be selling banner advertisements only remaining this year. Lots of fence space to fill at Morgan for banner sponsors. Laura will also put information up on the website for sponsors. Bill is looking for volunteers for the Sponsor Committee, if interested please let Bill Craig know.
- Equipment:
 - Uniforms

Will be going with AD Starr for this year's uniforms. They gave us a really good deal on catchers equipment this year and will put names on back of all jerseys this year (baseball & softball). Will be doing hat & shirt only this year for baseball.

Justin is looking into softball uniforms – there were recommendations for socks instead of shorts this year. Older girls don't use shorts anyway due to sliding, etc.
 - Equipment Update

Catchers equipment will be numbered this year (SF #1) and will be tallied up at equipment return. There were so many catchers mitts not returned last year. Dan will be collecting a deposit from coaches this year for equipment, most likely \$100 and check will be shredded upon return of coaching equipment.

Recommendation to only put 2 helmets max (make sure 1 has facemask) in coaches bags this year; bats aren't used often either.
- Scheduling:
 - New Website Scheduling

Scheduling will be done on the Blue Sombrero (new SFBSA website) this year. Easy access for coaches/schedules posted.
 - Dick's Team Headquarter App for Coaches through new website

All coaches/parents will get free access to the Dick's Team Headquarters app this year – which is kind of like Team Snap for those familiar – helps to track player attendance and game scheduling, etc. More details to follow once schedule is posted.

2016 Season – looking to begin practices the week of 3/14; games would start the week of 4/11. This is all weather permitting but looking to start these dates.

In house teams/schedules will be done first. Then other field requests will be considered after that. There is a change in the Field Rental Form – the form would need to be completed and sent through Paula (Parks & Rec Director) for approval and then Carl can schedule.

- Concessions:

Right now the only concessions update is that we are in the process of buying freezers for the Morgan Park Concession Stand. Looking possibly at Bridgeville Appliance....Bill would like to see if we could get them to sponsor a banner as well.

- Tournaments:

- ASA Tournament – July 15-17 (10U, 12U & 16U @ Morgan; 14U @ Cuddy; 18U @ Fairview)

- Other Things Discussed:

Boys Youth Baseball Clinic on Monday, 2/15 hosted by High School Baseball Boosters. Walk-ins are welcome!

Facilities:

Locks & Codes – all locks & codes have been changed and will be given out to coaches as coaches are determined.

Infield Maintenance Clinic – will go over field maintenance etc at field maintenance days.

Manager Responsibilities – no tarps on field, clean dugouts, sweep out dugouts, empty trash, remove bases, remove pitching rubbers, put in plugs, lock sheds, etc.

Carts & Drags – proper cart use; please no kids on cart due to liability reasons

2015 Tournament Problems – tarps killed grass, let's avoid tarps this year; garbage issues; Township may start charging us for tournaments

2016 Project Ideas – if anyone has any ideas for projects at the fields, please send the ideas to Justin Yates.

7. Close:

Next meeting will be held: Sunday, March 13, 2016 at 7:00 PM at VFW