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Bill Varley, Concessions Manager

Adam D'Alessandro, Tournament Director

SFBSA Meeting Agenda:

April 10, 2016

1. Roll Call/Sign In Sheet:

There were 44 people present including board members.

2. Treasurer's Report:

3/31 - \$56,329; additional revenue not included - \$230 late registration; \$1,475 additional sponsors (Don's Appliance, Brentwood bank, Kiddie Academy, Wojanis Supplies). \$215 registration refunds, chroma signs \$294, \$1,285 \$362 AD Starr; \$2,365 Sew Much More for uniforms, \$744 D&O Insurance, Don's Appliances (freezers) \$1,391. CVC League Registration \$590, \$1,050 umpire.

\$1,080 check from men's softball – turf/mats for inside batting cages at Morgan – pay Bianco.

Umpires – Ken Santucci – invoice for all season - \$15,000-\$20,000

3. Boys Commissioners Report:

- Call Up Lists (please respond to Laura)

Rules – protective wear; number of coaches allowed in dugout, clearances by first game

Trophies – still some in equipment room try to reuse (replated/reused – figures for next meeting)

Keeping the dugouts to limited kids that are playing & coaches that are identified – try to keep siblings, friends, etc out.

4. Girls Commissioners Report:

- Lady Lion's Season Update

Playing in Myrtle Beach – sitting at 5-2; 3-0 in section & first place in section. Big win against CM last Friday. Walk off in the 7th inning.

- 2016 Registration

About 200 girls; 15 teams across all levels

- Youth Recognition Game May 5

Changed it to May 5th vs CV – high school needed that night for senior rec night so we got bumped (Laura to update calendar) 3:30 – announce teams between varsity & JV game – send parent/asst coach if you can't make it. Check in with Justin when you get there. Announce over loud speaker.

- Call Ups & Youth Mentoring

Only got 3....please get call up list to Justin this week (at least 1-2 per team)

Youth Mentoring – help with practices, etc. They are some of the high school players. If you need some, Justin will send out the email to all softball coaches with contact info.

- 2016 ASA Tournament Updates/Volunteers

Currently have 30 teams registered for it. Expect to go up. Good turn out last year and they liked our facilities. Expecting 50 teams, drop game guarantee down from 6 to 5 because of increased teams. Volunteers for the tournaments are welcome. July 15-17

Clearances get in. No more than 4 in the dugout. Scorekeeper could sit on a bucket and traffic direct. If you play on A shut the gates. Kids swinging bats to get the cages, kids running around, need to be careful....maybe just keep bats in the cages. Maximize cage space....set up stations in there.

CVC end of year tournament hosted at Morgan....need to schedule it. Justin will work with Carl. 15's and 10's for playoffs. Kennedy would do 15's – Gina out of town – will talk about it.

5. Old Business:

- Bylaw Changes

XII: Manager Responsibilities; Spring Ball; Section 2 regarding Little League Cutoff Date

Section 2: Spring Ball is played at the T-ball level and up to Colt League on the baseball side and 8U Slow Pitch, 10U – 15U slow & fast pitch on the softball side. Spring Ball will follow Little League birthdate cutoff requirements of 04/30 for baseball and 12/31 for softball. ~~We will follow Little League rules regarding any changes to the cut-off date.~~

Delete Section 3 in same section above

Section 3: ~~All Managers should share Spring Ball registration information with their Fall Ball team as it becomes available to remind them of the registration.~~

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Also in Fall ball Section 2 – Play next year's age

Section 2: Fall Ball is played at the Coach Pitch level and up to Pony League on the baseball side and 8U Slow Pitch, 10U – 15U slow & fast pitch on the softball side. ~~Typically for Fall Ball players are~~ should register for where they will be playing in the Spring season (CVC & GPSL Rules require that players play at the level they would in the Spring).

Article XIV: Player eligibility

Section 1: Players joining the SFBSA must be a playing age of 5 years of age (this is based on the playing age cut-off date). Boys: April 30th of the upcoming season. Girls: December 31 of the previous year.

EXCEPTION: Girls that reach age 5 by April 30 of the upcoming season may play tee ball. **And girls that reach age 7 by 4/30 of the upcoming season may play 8U softball.**

Parents must declare the playing age of their boy or girl at the time of registration and **All parents must supply** provide the Association with a copy of the child's birth certificate **at the time of registration and register to play in the corresponding age level.** Parents of children only at age 6 may request approval from the Board to play up in age level as described in Section 2. ~~This age will be the age that the player must play all games that season, including but not limited to regular season, Sunday league, and Tournament/All Star Games.~~

Section 2: SFBSA encourages **requires** all players to play in their given age groups. ~~However, once a player is 5 years of age he/she may play in an older age group if approval is granted by the Board of Directors prior to the first scheduled game of the season.~~ **However, a player at age 6 years of age may move up to the next division in baseball or softball. No other ages may play up. If a 6 year old moves up, parents must sign a waiver allowing the child to play at the next division; he/she will not be eligible for All Stars as a 6 year old; and he/she will play 3 years at that next level (coach pitch baseball or 8u softball). Approval needs to be granted by the Board of Directors prior to the first scheduled game of the season.** A tryout will be made available with at least one Board of Director in attendance for those players looking to move up **to evaluate that he/she can play safely at a higher level.**

Section 3: Any player granted by Board approval to play in an older age group (referred to as "playing up") **MUST PLAY ALL SFBSA approved games at the older age level for that entire season.** ~~For example, an age 10 player that is granted Board approval to play at age 11, must play ALL games that season as an age 11 player, including but not limited to regular season, Sunday league, and Tournament/All Star Games.~~

All changes above were voted on and approved by Board.

New Bylaw provision for Tax Code needs put into bylaws – we read it tonight and will vote on it next month.

Upon the dissolution of the corporation or the organization, the Board of Directors or governing staff shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation or organization, dispose of all the assets of the corporation or organization in such manner, or to such organization(s) organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization(s) under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding provision of any future United States internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors or governing staff shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation or organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

- **All Star Committee Presentation**

Committee to discuss overall view of how we pick all stars; group of 11 people

Met 3 Sunday meetings, 2 ½ hrs per session; all different viewpoints in the room

Started with Adam going over the current system. Letting people there know how we did it in the past. Democratic type system. How board members are selected, how board members selected coaches and how coaches selected kids.

Present pilot ideas to the board, board will make a decision on whether we will implement

Each league different in their own right, a little different for each league. As season goes on, coaches have brief discussion on who you think is playing well, who you want other coach to keep an eye out during the game.

- Coaches Clearances
In your dugout need clearance.
- Picture Day for SFBSA – Saturday, April 16, 2016; Sturgeon Fire Hall
- Dick's Team Headquarter App for Coaches/Parents
- Game Cancellation Email – Laura to send out on Monday
 - **All Teams (Tball, Baseball & Softball)** – please add Bill Varley's contact info 412-400-4899; Bill is in charge of the Concession Stand at Morgan. If your games are cancelled at **Morgan**, the HOME TEAM should please let Bill know the following info: Coach's Name, Game Time, Morgan Field you were scheduled to play
 - **Pony, Little League & Kid Pitch Coaches** – in addition to notifying Bill, the HOME TEAM coach needs to let Ken Santucci know the game is cancelled. His contact info is santucci23@hotmail.com or best to call or text at 412-327-4508. If not, we will be charged for the umpire fee. Please reach out to Ken 45 minutes prior to game start time. Please note, if fields are closed/cancelled by SFBSA, it is still the HOME TEAM COACH responsibility to cancel the umpires.
 - **Softball** –
Cancelling and or rescheduling games for CVC:
1st - must call umpire association as soon as possible
2nd - opposing Manager
3rd - email the CVC so the game can be postponed on the site and also email the rescheduled date so it can be listed

To CANCEL a game contact Western PA Umpire Association (WPUA) **Eric Fowler** (412-680-3827) or **Rick Bernardo** (412-805-6418) .

To RESCHEDULE a game contact Western PA Umpire Association (WPUA) **Eric Fowler** (412-680-3827) or email ericf@herrmann-assoc.com.

Make sure you read your rules on rescheduling of games.

Get Ken to respond back so they know he got it.

Will also add in when I send the email out that all rescheduling needs to go through Carl. Look at available time/dates and get with Carl to reschedule. Home Team Coach is responsible to contact Ken Santucci to reschedule umpire as well.

6. New Business:

- Park & Rec Board Meeting Attendance
We need to have reps from SFBSA attend these meetings to have a voice.

- Pirates Pierogies – tournament dates needed (not able to get out for opening day) **let paula know would be a great pic for website.**

- Fundraising:
 - Team Sponsors/Banners/Advertisements Update – **new sponsor banners ready at Chroma**
 - Lotto Tickets **all were handed out with uniforms, please have parents turn ticket stubs into the concession stand at Morgan by April 30**
 - Sew Much More & Dick's Spirit Wear Fundraiser **we have 2 spiritwear fundraisers going on right now. Sew Much More gives us back 10%, orders placed by 4/5 will be delivered to field by 4/28. Dick's fanwear is right on our website and will be shipped direct to you.**

- Equipment:
 - Equipment Update

Dan brought the uniforms –

People asked to purchase additional shirts, you are able to purchase – would need to go straight through Jody at sewmuchmore@netscape.com for softball – as we didn't purchase extras.

Have extra shorts in some bigger sizes. For baseball if there are any uniform concerns, please go to Dan Misner.

If missing anything, let me know.

- Facilities:
 1. Field Renovations **Butch & Paula here – capital improvements**

Outside contractor come in and renovate all the infields at Morgan, Fairview & Sturgeon – new infield mix up & coming thing – dries in like 20 minutes, not a single rain out – in between low grade & professional; laser grade it, fix mounds, home plates, cut the lips/edges – Fairview B they will get rid of the mound & put base pegs so it can be universal. (could do Fairview A too). Possibly at end of April – do one field at a time, complete one field a day. will come in and train everyone on how to drag fields, fix puddles, etc. Appreciate work we do, wants to keep the cooperation going and maintain them! No settling period. \$30,000 for fields.

100% cooperative with township/they with us. Justin keeps in communication with Butch. They are responsible for the facility, we are responsible for the fields. Drag fields. Tball field B – spend 15 minutes to take care of it after. Cart now makes it easy. Have lots of tools in the sheds....shovels, rakes, etc. All volunteers and we respect that!
 2. Current Status Of Facilities
 3. Lack of Volunteers at Sturgeon **didn't get good response**
 4. Water Turn On Date Planned **some time this week when it quits freezing; turn on water tomorrow**
 5. Field Maintenance Procedure Review
 6. Facility Improvement Strategy - Short & Long Term **from now til the new mix gets in, we have to take care of the fields if we want to play on them.**
 7. Morgan E Batting Cage Project **put cage up at morgan e – randy Mitchell come in and do all the pvc...use net that Dan has upstairs – get cage up at that end of the field**

8. Your Wish List Projects??? If there's something you want to see done, mention it....

Fairview A cages net long; Fairview b backstop fence is messed up – get NO SOFT TOSS signs up.

Sturgeon is playable, just be careful & use judgment. Morgan A is unplayable until 3rd base line gets fixed. Maybe Wednesday night get a work crew there. Short stop, pitchers mound, and third base. Look at schedule and maybe try to extend it.

Consider temp mound on A – can use A and E for kid pitch, etc.

Put shed up for the cart....safety issues.....need to house it

Morgan E – old playground underneath.

Work with Paula, to get budget plans to her by July for projects

Sprinkler system for all fields at Morgan. Called company that is going to come down and show us how to use them.

Hand drags in D if you need them.

You will lose your team if not taking care of fields...

- Scheduling:

- Scheduling Update

- Baseball games/softball 8U supposed to start tomorrow

- CVC schedules for softball – all games scheduled on the website – should be good to go

- Practices – people looking for extra practices, won't schedule out past 2 weeks

- If cancelling ahead of time, please let Carl know so he can open up the fields/schedule for that day

- If rescheduling a cancelled game, find field/time and contact Carl

- Fairview B is booked almost every night 6-8 by non-sfbsa teams

- Concessions:

- Concessions Update

- \$1,300 in freezers; \$600 hot dog machine; water being turned on – clean it out

- Tournaments:

- Tournaments will be posted shortly on the MCAA site – confirm dates

- Finally got password to schedule tournaments; have every week from last week in June to last week in July, will post this week – all A and B tournaments; run dates past Paula as well as there are a lot of events at Fairview; Wed – Mon; majority will run Fri-Sun;

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

- Open Discussion

- Community Day is August 27th – 10-5; do we want to do a booth?

7. Close:

Next meeting will be held: Sunday, May 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM at VFW