**The meeting was called to order by Steve Bruso at 6:00 PM.**

**BOD Members Present:** Jim Broadbear, Steve Bruso, Jeremy Bryan, Roger Burns, Audelle Cummings, Keith Eichensehr, Bill Graden, Amy Green, Kelly Hott, Bill Jones, Eric Oglivie, Andy Ommen, and Jerry Stocks, and Jason Wilson.

Also present, Business Manager Brian Thede, Mike Pauken, and Jamie Deffenbaugh.

**BOD Members not present:** Brian Auer, Dave Blume, Brent Calvert, Brian Everett, Doug Fewkes, John Harris, Roger Heideman, Renee Kresl, Tom Nolin, Brad Thede, and Jason Wilson.

Eric Hjerpe from Hjerpe and Associates Certified Public Accountants was present to review the 2014 financial review covering the 9 months from October 2013 to June 2014. This was not an official audit since this only covered nine months after we decided to move our fiscal reporting year from September month end to June month end. There will be a full audit after June 30 this year.

**The Meeting Minutes from the November 2014 BOD meeting and the Annual Meeting were reviewed.**

**Motion to approve Meeting Minutes from November 2014:**

Proposed – Roger Burns

2nd – Kelly Hott

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's Report –Renee Kresl**

* Revenue Stream and Reporting Items to include:
  + Current Financial Report -
    - Operating Account - $24,378
    - Capital Account - $22,227
  + Registrations (Amy Green)
    - Through November: 589 players registered. (vs last year total of 650 at the same time)
    - $24,935 in uncollected registration fees
    - All but three Travel players are registered.
    - Twins fees are due
  + Sponsorships (Brian Thede)
    - Fence and Scoreboard space still available.
    - Should see more sponsorships paid up by the end of the year.
  + Fund Raising (Steve Bruso or Kelly Mutters) – One vendor for fundraising this coming year.
  + As of Nov 4, Dave Blume has processed 16 State Farm GNGs for a total of $8,000

**MCPB Business Manager's Report - Brian Thede**

* Insurance review completed
* Tax Exempt letter renewed
* 1099s ready
* Colt Thoroughbred division is now available. Players up to 23 years old can play. If MCPB is to have this division, a volunteer is needed to organize the new division.

**Facilities/Fields – Kelly Hott / Andy Ommen**

* Can’t find short in complex wiring that is causing increased electrical bills
* Prairie Material and Toland’s donated concrete and the labor for the Lift Pad in the Morton Building
* MCPB has a lighted display for the holiday season! .

**Divisional Reports:**

**2015 Presidents are:**

Shetland Division - Jeremy Bryan - Nothing to report

Pinto Division – Tom Nolin - Nothing to report

Mustang Division – Jason Wilson – Nothing to report

Bronco Division – Jamie Deffenbaugh - Nothing to report

Pony Division – Audelle Cummings - Nothing to report

Colt / Palomino Division – Mike Pauken - Nothing to report

Travel Teams Coordinator: Jim Broadbear.

* + Travel Team meeting on 12/1.

**Sub Committee Updates:**

* Player (Jim Broadbear) & Coach (Brent Calvert) Development
  + Committee is meeting and hopes to have a proposal by January 2015 and implement in March 2015.
* Financial Stability (Renee Kresl)
  + Nothing to report
* Engaging the Business Community (Steve Bruso/Brian Thede)
  + MCPB will be joining the Chamber of Commerce to increase our presence in the business community.
  + Taste of Pony Sponsors – Meatheads 12/11, Joe’s Station House (College Hills one) 12/17, and Buffalo Wild Wings 1/19.
  + Billboard lease is agreed upon. Formal lease coming soon.
  + Sold 11 items for the fan wear promotion
  + Cornbelters - every date but 2 available have been reserved.
  + Cost is $266 to join the first year. $246 yearly after that (as of now)

Kelly Hott motions to have MCPB allocate and spend $266 dollars to cover the cost of joining the Chamber of Commerce.

Audelle Cummings seconds the motion.

The motion passes by unanimous vote.

Bill Graden offers to donate one half of the $266 cost to join the Chamber of Commerce. THANK YOU BILL!!!!

* Family Friendly/Quality Complex (Jeremy Bryan)

**New Business**

Jim Broadbear proposed a new registration fee structure for Colt Travel teams playing a reduced home schedule.

* Two teams currently qualify for the reduced fees. The goal is 8-10 home dates. No credit or refund for rainouts.
* Will charge the teams $120 per game scheduled at the Pony complex
* Players will still register as a team on line, but will not pay individual fees.
* Each player will have one concession stand shift scheduled, but can buy out for $40
* No fundraising obligation

Doug Gillam and Brian Everett have expressed their desire to resign from the BOD. There are now two openings on the BOD.

Brian has been very active volunteering his time over the past years. He has coached numerous inhouse, Twins, and travel teams and has also served MCPB by being a division president in Shetland, Pinto, Mustang, and Bronco. He was always willing to step up and run a division when asked and gave his time and energy to ensure the leagues ran smoothly.

Doug has been involved at MCPB for over 12 years with his two sons. Doug has also coached numerous inhouse, Twins, and travel teams. In addition, he served as the newsletter/publicity coordinator in the years before we used our current web site. Doug most recently volunteered to be the Travel Team Coordinator and he improved the communication not only between travel teams, but with all involved at Pony. He coordinated al travel schedules to maximize the use of the complex.

On behalf of the BOD and all Pony families, we say thank you to Doug and Brian for all time and efforts to provide a quality baseball experience.

Steve Bruso’s thoughts for all BOD members to consider: Think about financial revenues……primary sources are registration, sponsors, and concessions. Secondary sources are corporate grants and donations. What can we do to increase revenue? What are our untapped revenue sources? Ideas are encouraged and welcomed at future BOD meetings.

**Notes/Calendar of Events/Key Date Reminders – Bill Jones**

January 12, 2015 - January BOD Meeting

At 8:01, Steve Bruso motioned to close the December MCPB BOD meeting. Andy Ommen seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.