

Minnetonka Girls Softball Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: May 16, 2004 at 7:00 pm at Bennett Family Park Pavilion
Attendees: Jeff Bailey, Bob Lietzke, Mike Harter, Jeff Schierman, Tony Livorsi, Scott Youngstrom, Bill Egar, Therese Douglas, Vicki Painter, Cheryl Hillstrom, Bruce Brunner, Linda Margl, Terry Trickett, Diane Pulling, Terry Larkin. *Guest attendee:* Jon Guy, President, Tonka Babe Ruth.
Not attending: Jim Kertzman, Lee Nystrom, Jeff Lang, Leon Narem, Pam Goon, Don Goon.
Next meeting: June 20th, 2004 (Executive Committee)
Handouts: Agenda, April. '04 Minutes, Twins Night details.

1. Bennett report - discussed a contribution for a memorial for Chris T. – to be added to a BFP “wall of honor” that will likely be installed in 2005.
2. Making effective use of dome facilities – Jon Guy, President of Tonka Babe Ruth, talked about how the organizations that he has worked with (TBR and STLL) effectively used domed facilities to enhance their programs. See “Diamond Sports Clinic Strategy” handout. Jon discussed development goals at the different age groups, marketing strategies, structure and coaching organization, and overall timing (start earlier – in Jan/Feb.). The first MGSA dome date is in the 3rd week in January.
3. The minutes from the March 21, 2004 meeting were approved.
4. The treasurer’s report was distributed via email prior to the meeting. The \$51K account balance will be transferred to a money market account at Americana Bank.
5. Registration update: we are at 581 kids. We need to ensure that any late registrants provide a signed liability waiver.
6. Twins Night fundraiser – see handout. A total of 3,022 tickets were sold, with a net contribution to BFP of almost \$4K.
7. Pictures / Concessions: Concession sales \$ are up from last year. Pictures are nearly completed – a couple of makeup dates are left to complete. The 16U Fastpitch team has not scheduled a pictures date yet.
8. Equipment – there was one minor issue with ASA certified bats for HS Slowpitch (resolved).
9. Uniforms: Some teams are turning in shirts on which the lettering is washing off – the shirt retailer and/or printer will have to provide relettering.
10. Umpires: we are in good shape; the young umpires are doing great!
11. Communications:
 - a. the Website is now accepting standings. Send to Dianne P. or Bob L. One question re: privacy policy (it’s posted on the website).

b. Summer Newsletter – discussion re: date (mid-June vs. mid-July). The consensus was for mid-June. Send any newsletter info to Jeff B.

12. Sponsors – we’re in good shape.

13. Field scheduling is going fine.

14. League reports – everything is going well. The 9” ball implementation has been very successful in Coach Pitch. All of the age groups are going full swing.

15. Capital expenditures - Field 3 fence remains an open item for the future. Pam G. painted the dugouts with MGSA logo. Also, we will replace some bench boards on Field 3.

16. Other business: please refer to Jeff Bailey’s email to all Board members (dated May 10) concerning “leadership for next year”.