

Minnetonka Girls Softball Association

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: September 19, 2004 at 6:30 pm at Billy's Lighthouse Restaurant
Attendees: Jeff Bailey, Therese Douglass, Bill Egar, Cheryl Hillstrom, Don Goog, Pam Goon, Bob Lietzke, Tony Livorsi, Linda Margl, Lee Nystrom, Vicky Painter, Diane Pulling, Terry Trickett, Scott Youngstrom
Not attending: Craig Bakken, Mike Harter, Jim Kertzman, Jeff Lang, Leon Narem
Next meeting: **October 17, 2004** (Executive Committee)
Handouts: Agenda, May '04 Minutes, 2004-5 nominations, 2005 registration dates and times

1. The minutes from the May 16, 2004 meeting were approved.
2. Treasurer's report – currently \$32,000 in reserves. The report was approved.
3. Bennett report – debt has been paid off, discussed Highway 101 construction and building of tot lot
4. Year-end wrap up – key points included introduction of a pre-K/K format in T-ball, success of the 9" ball in Coach Pitch, parent/coach treatment of kid umpires at 10U SP, pitching distance issues at 10U and 12U SP, considerably improved umpire attendance, success of draft system in HSSP, growth in fastpitch registrations.

Ideas for 2005 discussed included possibility of not allowing "daisy-chain" friend requests at registration, adjusting sponsor fee structure, making better use of the website, a modified registration form with a single email address. Scott Youngstrom agreed to arrange for field striping at Freeman in 2005.
5. Departing board members Bruce Brunner and Jeff Schierman were recognized for their long and valuable MGSA service
6. Nominations for 2004-5 positions were presented and the accepted. The old 2004-5 board was adjourned and the new 2004-5 board convened. *Vice President open position remains a key issue.*
7. Chris Gabler, the new Player Development Director, discussed ideas for clinics in 2005.
8. A Tonka Dome update was given. A schedule of MGSA rental dates in 2005 was provided. MGSA has 3 hours of dome time every weekend from late January to the first weekend in April. Making good use of that time will be a challenge the first year. A signed contract and proof of insurance still needs to be returned. Don Goon will investigate insurance options.
9. 2005 registration times were presented – Thursday January 27 and Tuesday February 1 at MHS Cafeteria. Tentatively, Saturday January 29 at Excelsior Elementary.