

Minnetonka Girls Softball Association
Board of Directors
December 16, 2007 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM

Members Present

Chris Gabler, Therese Douglass, Clayt Beitel, Mike Harter, Brad Hurley, Bob Lietzke, Rich Baker, Paul Borowski, Scott Youngstrom, Erica Jensrud, Becky Tarvin, Loren Peterson, Terry Larkin, Tony Livorsi, Joan Hoerauf, Jeff Bailey, Brenda Alberts, Joni Sichtung

Minutes from September meeting approved as submitted

Bennett Report

- Will only play on Thursdays
- Will have access to batting cages
- Miracle at Bennett is moving forward. Plans are being re-submitted to city.
- Opening Day Ceremony will be on 5/3/2008

MHS Fields

- Discussion on fields and which ones will be open for play.
- Motion made by Clayt Beitel and seconded by Joan Hoerauf to recognize Chris Gabler for his work on the fields. Motion made over the objection of Chris Gabler. **Motion Carried**

Communications

- Discussion on Mailings
- Going out to all households in the school district.
- School flyers are going out.
- Looking at getting information in local newspapers
- Flyers on clinics

Registration

- Discussion on staffing and set up
- Discussion on forms and whether or not a release is need to post pictures on website, what legal issues ,if any, there could be

Uniforms

- Need a director to run with this
- Denise will handle uniforms in the short term
- Accessories were great

12U Slowpitch

- Discussion on moving 12U to modified pitch. What distance the pitcher should e and will this help the pace of the game.
- Motion made and seconded to modified pitching rules with the pitching distance to be 40 feet. **Motion Carried**

Dome Usage

- Discussion on dates and times of different events
- Changes have been made for Fast Pitch tryouts.
- Sandlot will cover cost of dome before clinics start. There was discussion on how many to players and what format to use for the games. Potential for a lot of interest.

League Advancement

- Fun Matters newsletters
- Soliciting sponsors
- Submitting proposals for grants
- Received a gift of \$50K. We will be having a contest for naming fields. People will vote for their favorite at registration.

Budget

- Reviewed projected 2008 budget
- Discussion on fee increases. Motion made and seconded to approve and publish fee increases. **Motion carried**
- Motion made and seconded to approve budget as proposed with the understanding that MHS is a discretionary number that will be decided in Summer 2008. **Motion Carried**

Fundraising

- Discussion on options for fundraising. 2 options were presented. Option 1 was to assess families an extra amount to help offset field costs. Option 2 was to hold a raffle with a cash prize. Both options would raise the same amount of money.
- Motion made and seconded to approve raffle option for fundraiser. **Motion carried with 1 dissent**

Fundraising Strategies

- Discussion on sponsorships
- Have team parties at MHS
- Bayview event. Make this girl-centric and celebrate girls achievements

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Chris Gabler