

**Minnetonka Baseball Association Board Meeting**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday March 7, 2018**

**Opening:**

The meeting of the Minnetonka Baseball Association Board was called to order at 7:35 PM on March 7, 2018 by Kyle Heitkamp President.

**In Attendance:**

Kyle Heitkamp, Dave Maurer, Chad Johnson, Marty Kusar, Janet Loomis, Kirsten Muller, Brian Schimke, Tammy Sessa, Heather Benson, Matt Walker, Pat Becker, Charlotte Wheeler, Rob Hager, Vijai Singh.

**Absent:**

Paul Twenge, Jeff Elder.

**Approve Meeting Agenda/ Prior Month Minutes:**

Chad motioned to approve the agenda and the prior month's minutes and the motion was seconded by Vijai. The motion was approved by all without further discussion.

**Treasurer's Report – K. Muller**

- Masui Scholarship was zeroed out and put into our general
- Payment plans that three families are on
- Academy not billed yet- Rob sending to Kirsten and Brian tomorrow.
- Jr 2 and Sr 2 Legion signed up for 4 tournaments, and we only budget for 3 each, we need to talk about the process. Kyle said there was a discussion about parents paying. Rob was trying to get more games, so we're trying to save the money for Vets. Chad pointed out that the website says that 4 are paid for Legion 2.

**Capital Improvements – K. Heitkamp**

- Have received approval from Deephaven to make improvements to Thorpe and Cottagewood.

**Registration Updates – Brian Schimke**

Rookies - 12 teams – open

6 yr olds - 16 teams - open

7 yr olds - 16 teams - open

8 yr olds - 14 teams - closed

9 yr old - 12 teams - closed

Community 10/11 - 11 teams - open

Travel 10 - 6 teams - open

Travel 11 - 5 teams - open

Community 12/13 - Closed

Community 14/15 - Open

Community 16-18 - Open

Travel Tier I - 1 - Open

Travel 12

Travel 13

Travel 14

Travel 14/15

Travel 15

MBA Jr. Legion 2

MBA Sr. Legion 2

- Announcement for Travel 10/11's March 16 after 4:15.
- Other teams will be announced the following week.
- 10/11 year old Travel team players will have a uniform fitting.

### **League Structure – C. Johnson/M. Kusar**

- Travel 10&11 Coach Pool Vote.
- Discussion surrounding coach pool.
- Matt motioned to approve the proposed Travel 10 & 11 yr old coach pool and Brian seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all without further discussion.

### **Draft/Team Placement Discussion**

- 12/13 & 14/15 Tournament Team fees
- Coaches Meeting – March 19<sup>th</sup> – Everyone except travel.
- March 21 – Olson will do his meeting and Kloster will do his meeting.
- March 21 – Practice allocation.
- March 21 – Game field allocation for travel.

### **Presentation**

- Coaches Meeting – April 3&4 – old PCA meeting – we are not doing PCA this year. This will be a casual meeting addressing top issues that have occurred in the past.
- Travel Field Allocations Meeting – April 3<sup>rd</sup> – This is scratched and replaced with another date.
- Marty motioned to allot funds for Jr. Legion team as follows:
- Marty motioned to charge \$35 per player for a tournament team 12/13 and 14/15 community player tournament team. Dave seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all without further discussion.

- Marty motioned: Jr. Legion – use some funds and will be exempt from their MBA volunteer shifts. Dave seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all without further discussion.

### **Safety Update – C. Wheeler**

- Injury/Claim: a volunteer was injured while helping during a practice. Discussion was held regarding this claim.
- Kyle motioned to follow the advice of the legal counsel on the decision and Matt seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all without further discussion.
- Background checks/Concussion training.
- Sports Official Acknowledgement of Liability, Medical Release: new form.
- Charlotte motioned to approve the Sports Official Waiver of Liability, Medical Release for the apprentice umpires and their parents to sign in order to proceed with training and umpiring responsibilities and Brian seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all without further discussion.

### **Scheduling – P. Becker/J. Elder**

- Everything is complete.
- Concern surrounding the softness of the fields given the amount of snow we have had this winter.
- Some practices may have to be rescheduled to dryer fields.
- Team Parent Update: April 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Opening Day: Working on coordinating – May 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Sponsorships – J. Loomis**

- Being working on.
- Banner went up to \$200 and \$300 depending on the size.

### **Communications – H. Benson**

- Spring Breakfast/Field Clean Up/Equipment Handout: 4/7/18.

### **School Gym Use – M. Walker**

- Matt motioned to not allow MBA teams to practice at school gyms as an MBA sanctioned event. Rob seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all without further discussion.

### **Awards – M. Walker**

- Tabled

Motion to adjourn by Marty and seconded by Rob.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:34 PM.

*Meeting Minutes submitted by Tammy Sessa, Secretary*