



SMVLL Board of Director's Meeting – 3/8/2018

A Board of Director's meeting was held with the SMVLL Board of Directors on March 8, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:58 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 pm.

Board of Directors in attendance included Mike Michota, Amy Mitton, Kristin Dak, John Holland, Rich Conser, Chris Rowe, Amy Hahn, Tori Yokoyama, Jerome Healy, Adam Scalero, Mike Walls, Julie Morgan, Jeff Lance, Joel Kriwinski, Bryan Ray, Garrett Mitton, Tim Moegen

News and Notes (Mike Michota)

- Request to post all the meeting minutes to the website for this baseball season
- Opening ceremonies was a success. So successful for us it is highly recommended again for next year
- District 68 meeting is coming up on the 21st of March at Norman P. Murray. Request for UIC and league secretary to attend this meeting
- Rain protocol is in effect. For upcoming Saturday we plan to play AM games but PM games are likely to be cancelled

Committee Set-up:

Request for committee chair volunteers and committee members was made for the following upcoming events:

- Closing Ceremonies (Stacia Chair)
 - Jerome Healy, Kristin Dak
- 2019 BOD Recruiting (Stacia Chair)
 - John Holland
- Moms and Bombs (Kristin Dak Chair)
 - Amy H., Julie, Amy M.
 - Committee is suggesting Sunday, May 6 as the date
 - Would like to separate lower and upper divisions so it can go faster
 - Will consider having this as a pancake breakfast event
- Postseason Tourney (Adam/Mike W.)
 - Need to let the district know on dates tomorrow
 - Board selected 9U's tournament as the first and only choice for hosting
- SMVLL Mascot Selection (Chris to chair)
 - Joel Kriwinski
 - Team to design options for SMVLL mascot and send to the league for voting

Financial Update (Rich Conser)

- Cash balance is positive
- Great success with the golf ball drop, Rich to follow up on the total fee amount as the vendor has yet to reach out for payment
- Sponsorships account for a good portion of the total cash balance

- Angels day payment was made, which we will be collecting back
- Live scan is largely paid out, only incremental additional costs
- Uniform invoices are outstanding, waiting on those from Earl
- Taxes are pending, working through the legalese on this and will provide an update next meeting

Sponsorship update (Mike Michota)

- Only 7 teams out of 31 who have not yet sold a sponsorship
- 6 teams sold more than 1 to earn the pizza party
- Outstanding sponsorship monies that we believe will come through

Baseball Ops Update (Joel Kriwinski)

- Teams are off and running and doing well
- Upper division communication is the best it has been in the last 6 years
- Practice schedules have been going well, despite the weather issues
- Interleague rule with North states we need to schedule the makeup within 2 weeks of the cancelled game. Mike will follow-up with North President on this will not always be feasible
- Joel suggested getting catcher's and pitcher's clinics on schedule. Joel to follow-up with Ryan Blackmun on his desire/ability to help staff these events. Goal is to have up to 2 catcher's and pitcher's clinics this season separated by younger vs. older divisions
 - The Board entertained discussion on having mandatory attendance of 1-2 players per team for catching clinics. No decision was reached on this topic
 - Dates for the clinics will be as follows:
 - 3/25 lower divisions doing pitching, upper divisions will be doing catching
 - 4/15 will be lower divisions will be doing catching and upper division will be doing pitching

UIC / Local Rules (Tori Yokoyama / Jerome Healy)

- Discussion to have the umpires get paid on the day they perform the work vs. monthly
 - Team discussed options, but decided to maintain the monthly pay

Fields and Equipment Update (Mike Walls)

- Request to purchase a new pitching machine
- Board discussed some of the electrical issues on YAP 1. There are a few outlets which are not working. Mike Walls to contact the city to ask for an outlet check

Safety Update / Live Scan Update (Bryan Ray)

- 320 approved league volunteers to date
- No incident reports as of yet this season, just a reminder that if a player leaves the game for injury, an incident report must be filed by the manager with the league

Snack Shack (Jeff Lance and Julie Morgan)

- Sales are going well, feedback on expanded menu offering is overall very positive

Angel Day / Communications / Website (Amy Mitton)

- Money is due by 3/31 to for Angels tickets from the teams
- No further updates on communications or website
- Some issues with the home team standings on the website. Have told managers and commissioners to refer to the excel spreadsheet for the correct home/away schedule

Uniform / Spirit Wear Update (Kristin Dak)

- Trying to get an update from the spirit wear company on sales, will supply at the next meeting
- 104 items sold to-date. Would like to send out an update to folks to reminder them of ability to order more online
- Items for sale in the snack shack as well

Review tabled Items and Votes

- Follow-up with the baseball side of the org chart regarding the All Star timeline after closing ceremonies and TOC. Timing is tight, and we have overlap with TOC teams
 - Mike will propose a date for the smaller working team to meet at All Star Pizza to discuss
- Next meeting is April 22nd, at 7:30pm

Motions:

1. Approval of the minutes
 - a. Motion – Amy
 - b. Second – Rich
 - c. Voting: All in favor, no abstains
2. Heaters budget for board room \$X
 - a. Motion – Mike M.
 - b. Second – Amy H.
 - c. Voting: All in favor, no abstains
3. Tumblers not to exceed \$X
 - a. Motion – Mike M.
 - b. Second – Amy M.
 - c. Voting: All in favor, no abstains
4. Pitching machine not to exceed \$X
 - a. Motion – Mike Walls
 - b. Second – Adam
 - c. Voting: All in favor, no abstains
5. Pitching/Catching clinics not to exceed \$X
 - a. Motion – Joel
 - b. Second – Adam
 - c. Voting: All in favor, no abstains
6. Email binding vote on January 29th for 15 run mercy rule league option. Synopsis: Rule 4.10(e) allows a local league to implement a 15-run rule after three innings. This is in addition to the 10-

run mercy rule after four innings. A vote “Yes” is to implement the 15-run mercy rule, in addition to the 10-run mercy rule. A vote “No” is to NOT implement the 15-run mercy rule and only use the 10-run mercy rule.

- a. Motion – Tori Yokoyama
- b. Voting: 14 No, 1 yes, no abstains