

West GCKA Region

Meeting on May 24

Location: PYO

Duration: 90 minutes

Attendees: Glenn Schaaf, Gene Dros and Bill O'Brien.

Discussion items:

1. GCKA website bill - \$4,000

A. Cincinnati Bell has not yet agreed to sponsor.

B. Assume cost - if to be paid by the 4 regions- will be allocated at \$1,000 per region.

C. We need an invoice if we are going to pay our pro-rata share.

D. We need to plan for these type of expenses - an additional cost of \$1,000 would require us to increase our team fees by \$10/team

E. Draft email to Charles Kelly, Chris Kuczek (cell - 513-505-5644 - he is the GCKA Treasurer) and Jeff Wiles.

F. Our position - need to see an invoice to pay our fair share.

2. Glenn reviewed GCKA discussions on tournaments:

A. All Star Tournament in July/ \$250/team. Problematic if this will occur.

B. All Star cross-town game - more information to come on this. One day tournament that would be played in Northern Ky.

C. Possible post regional tournament - with 'better teams' being able to extend the season. Would be played in Northern Ky. Details forthcoming.

3. Softball may be added to the GCKA program next year.

A. Lady in Norwood would lead this effort.

4. Miscellaneous matters:

A. Minutes of April meeting accepted.

B. Still problems with coaches signing up on website

C. Coaches not understanding some of the rules - particularly as to length of games. Issue is on whether or not time limits apply

D. Some problems on score reporting

E. Scores/ games completed important- need to play at least 12 games to qualify for World Series.

Bottom line - Gene is getting too many unnecessary calls due to lack of understanding of rules.

5. West Region Tournament

A. PYO will host D-1 and a Coach Pitch tournament

B. D-2 will be played at Finneytown

C. Not enough teams to host tournament at the C and B levels - teams in those age groups desiring to play will most likely play in the North Region

D. Looking at Reading as possible host for A tournament.

Note: Team fees remain at \$225/team. If team plays in a single elimination tournament the fee will be \$150. Gene is coordinating the West Region tournaments. He has handled all communication with the coaches thru the GCKA website.

6. Treasury- \$3,277.01 in the bank account.

A. All team fees have been received.

7. Protest was resolved subsequent to the meeting.

A. Improper substitution - player on the bench the entire game inserted into the lineup in the top of the 5th and final inning. Protest upheld.

B. We will give consideration to discussing how to handle a situation in which a coach wishes to discipline a player by withholding him/her from participation for some part of the game.