

SWPLL Board Meeting 4-9-17
IBU Portland,OR
Called to order 1837 by M. Bessner.

Previous minutes, motion carries to approve minutes from April board meeting.

D4 District:

Meeting cancelled

St.John Fisher players in Raleigh Hills LL. No waivers received in the past. They have been notified that they have a one year waiver to finish up through RHLL, next year they will be required to play in their designated league.

Opening day cancelled due to predicted weather.
Running of the bases and announcement of names to be done at June 3rd Alpenrose Day.

Pictures to be rescheduled, TBD. Possibly June 3rd Alpenrose Day.

Tillamook Games: Tillamook in Interlock with other leagues.

Fields:

Bridlemile, Hiteon Fields have been mowed but not prepared.
Hayhurst, it has been requested to remove soccer posts.
No confirmation of any other times for Bridlemile except for AA softball team.

Field work day: Riley is going to skim Markham field.

Each VP is to divide fields: 2 each

Softball:

AA: Hayhurst , Burlingame

AAA: Smith 1&2

Baseball:

AA: Hiteon

T-ball: Maplewood

Majors: Markham 2 and 3

A: Stephenson and Little Gabe

Each group to be responsible for stocking the boxes at their respective field.

Once VP's and coaches determine when their work day is to be, then communicate with board/Jamie so that email blast could be sent to notify all.

hours. Could be an option for those that signed up for volunteer

Maplewood, Hayhurst, Stephenson, and Markham majors need locks.
Recommended that Custer field should be actively sought for our league to use.
Lincoln given first right of refusal to many fields in our boundaries.

Alpenrose main field:

Home team should provide 2 volunteer for concessions.

Recommended that volunteers be confirmed by coaches 2 days prior to game. If unable to lock in two volunteers, reach out to board for list of other volunteers that might be available.

Financial:

Current Balance: \$65,483.24

Rain out credits: VP maintains list, once a month notify Lisa Keeling of fields that were not used.

Total Registration: 607

Still have a list of expenses that are yet to be accounted for. I.e. Honey buckets, fields, umpires, equipment...

Tractor being repaired. Will need a new tractor within one year.

Question: Are our registration fees were comparable to other leagues in district 4. **Answer:** Our fees are in the middle of the fees in our district.

Question: Is an increase next year could be considered?

Answer: We have increased fees this year, also noted that 10% of players were given scholarships, some complaints of increased fees and Volunteer opt-out fee this year, so have not determined if increase will happen next year.

Question: Is it possible for a volunteer/reduced rate photographer to take action photos that could be purchase by families? If so could this be a possible way for SWPLL to raise more money?

Umpires:

Note drafted and sent to VP's and managers regarding manager's interactions with umpires.

Question: Was there any feedback after letter?

Answer: Most feedback has been positive.

Our umpires are volunteers, some are very young and others very seasoned, but please respect them all.

Please understand that those who are umpiring they have been given a 6hr training, so keep in mind that they can learn as well if given appropriate direction.

Question: Is feedback on seasoned umpires is welcomed?

Answer: Feedback on all umpires is welcome.

Scheduling:

There are more games than umpires, if any changes are to be made, all need to go through Lisa K.

If you a response hasn't been given via email to any requests for changes please give Lisa K. a call.

Safety: No report.

Uniforms:

Need: how many teams for post season, order needs to go in this week.

Softball Post season teams: 1 8-10 yrs, 1 9-11, 1 Majors, 1 Juniors.

Feedback on uniforms:

Coloring hard to differentiate between teams.

Hats, positive feedback.

AAA: Good feedback on names on back of jersey.

Softball:

Ran into uniform problems due to another team being added.

There will be a different process for ordering next year for softball uniforms.

Question: if size is not correct, because ordering is per team(lower level teams), should the league take on the cost of reordering ?

VP Reports:

T-ball: nothing new to report.

Softball: First game played, went well.

Majors: First 4 games in Friday night.

Reminder to remove all jewelry.

Last team to leave:

get scoreboard turned off before leaving.

Close window in announcers booth, put away flags.

Equipment put away.

Snack shop closed.

A: All is well.

AAA: All games done last week.

1 trade this week and 1 new player signing up.

Kudos to Chad for the gear ! Greatly appreciated.

Sponsors: Nothing new to report. Several meetings lined up to meet with potential sponsors.

Coaching: All forms submitted.

Anyone who steps on the field to help with kids, they must fill out a background check form.

Equipment: No input

Player Agent: (Jake Donahue not present):

Some challenges following the draft, some changes were made because of that. Suggested that a survey of families at end of the season to get feedback on caches to allow for better vetting process for coaches and and improving the experience for families and players.

Alpenrose closed week of June 12th in order to prep for post season play, those that were scheduled that week will need to be changed.

Next meeting Sunday May 21st 6:30 pm IBU. .

Meeting dismissed 8:19pm