

MYBA MONTHLY MEETING FEBRUARY 4, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Blumenfeld at 6:33 PM at McRae Park. Present at the meeting are Mike Blumenfeld, Elise Fine, Scott Zosel, Lori Mittag, Alicia Skow, Bryan Barnes, Guy Cierzan, Cheryl Sullivan, Justin Benjamin, Bill Garrison, Scott Beazley and Christine Jackson. Not present at the meeting is Erik Nelson.

Skow moved to approve the minutes from our January meeting. Seconded by Elise. Minutes approved.

TREASURER'S UPDATE (Garrison):

--\$15,270.00 is the balance in the operating account
--\$10,824.00 is the travel director's balance

Starting to see registration fees come in but we have many left to collect.

--\$2,945.00 was received from the clinics with the following break payout breakdown:

- \$755 paid to South High School
- \$1,000 paid to the South High School Baseball Boosters
- \$640 paid to DeLaSalle

MYBA's Net from the clinics: \$800.00

Our next big expense will be the uniforms.

Paid insurance about \$2,000.00

MBL fees due March 15, 2014 for which MYBA has budgeted budgeted about \$8,000.00.

TRAVEL DIRECTOR UPDATE (Skow):

Beazley has tournaments booked for all teams except for Coach Olive.

Skow: South clinics went great. Between all three dates we had 111 total players attend the clinics. Parents and players were very happy with the clinics.

DeLaSalle clinics didn't give us the numbers that we had hoped. We may have to rearrange the clinics going forward and give DeLaSalle a younger age group. The clinics are much more popular with the younger age groups. We will have to decide whether we forego clinics at the older age level and simply go with the younger ages.

The coaches' meeting needs to be set. Skow will check on dates and sites.

Fields request was turned in on Monday (February 3rd). Skow also turned in a request for "permission to sell" at the fields, specifically for our opening day event.

REGISTRAR UPDATE (Fine):

111 registered as of today for winter tryouts. 20 players for the Mini-Millers, 49 players at 10U, 35 players at 11U, 4 new players at 12U, and 2 new players at 13U, and one potentially 14 year old player.

About 249 total players are registered in the program. (Number includes fall and winter tryout registrations).

Fine will be doing reminder emails to families.

There is talk of a 15AA team. Pope and Kady are combined in that effort.

ASSEST MANAGEMENT UPDATE (Jackson):

Need to have uniform orders to St. Mane's by March 3rd at the latest. Logo wear--St. Mane's site will go up on Feb.10th and we can put it on our website.

Jackson cleaned out the shed and will conduct inventory of our equipment soon.

Max Bat (Jim Anderson) will continue to offer discounts on his equipment to MYBA families.

RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE (Cierzan):

Insurance is paid up. Concussion certification and BCA checks need to be done. Concussion certification is good for three years.

Cierzan is close to having Dick's contribution figured out. It will be pretty much the same offer as last year.

COACH COORDINATOR UPDATE (Blumenfeld):

At 10U and 11U we have enough coaches. 12A, 13A, 14A, and 12AA remain unfilled. Blumenfeld thinks we will be okay at 13A and 14A because parents will fill the positions. He is unsure at 12A and 12AA. 12A is a real challenge and the one parent that he offered the position to will not coach and probably is withdrawing from MYBA.

Discussion had about how we are going to fill the coaches' position. Jackson will approach Douge Schildgen and see if he knows of any former players of his that would be willing to coach.

OLD BUSINESS:

--TRYOUTS/TEAM FORMATION

Blumenfeld wasn't happy with how the tryouts began with the infield and outfield drills. Need the flow to work better. Would like more time, but the Y does not have the time available.

Dates for team formation--data review would be next week sometime if we conduct such a review. Possibly on the 13th (McRae?) If necessary, meeting with the coaches on the 16th (Starbuck's). Before team selection occurs, we need to give Elise time to crunch the numbers and Jackson to order the uniforms. Team selection will be on the 27th or the 28th.

--HANDBOOK (Zosel):

The Handbook is ready to go live on the website.

Members reviewed the "Eligibility" section and the "Removal of Coaches" section of the Handbook and approved the language.

--OPENING DAY (Skow):

April 27th is opening day. We are trying to do the MYBA kick off again. Food trucks, photographer, baseball games, etc. Blumenfeld will review the old photographer contract and decide who to hire. Skow will verify the food vendor for the park board for this event. Sullivan will attempt to find a PA system for the event. Also looking into banners.

NEW BUSINESS:

--FUNDRAISING (Sullivan):

--Sullivan is looking into having 50 MYBA chairs made for sale to the membership. MYBA would need to float about \$1,000.00 for the company to make us 50 chairs. Sullivan will bring the chair to tryouts and have parents pre-order the chairs.

Sullivan reached out to Herberger's. If you go on Herberger's website and buy a coupon book for \$5.00, we get the \$5.00.

Chipotle, Davani's and Pizza Luce is willing to host a fundraiser for us. She is attempting to obtain a location that is centrally located. She is checking on dates and locations and will contact the businesses to see how the the fundraiser would work.

Another suggestion, get parents to go to a bar for drinks and food for a set fee. We would get half of all tickets sold.

--Zosel wants the training date that MYBA conducts for the Mini-Miller's coaches on the calendar. New coaches to MYBA should attend the training as well.

--Barnes set up emails for everyone on the board. Barnes will do a demonstration for the board on how to access their new email account. Everyone is encouraged to use these email accounts.

Motion made by Mittag to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Fine. Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM.

