

SYBA MINUTES FROM MEETING

October 25, 2015

Shakopee Legion – 6:30 pm

Next Meeting: Sunday – December 6, 2015 (6:30pm Location – Shakopee Legion)

Attendees: Jim Ungar
Jeff Thuringer
Allen Larson
Matt Smith
Mike Malone
Matt Masloski
Tom Schleper
Eric Ho
Dave Johnson
Andy Bethel
Paul Van Maanen

Guests: None

Not in Attendance: None

- Board Minutes from our September 20, 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved. These minutes will be posted to our website.
- By-Laws were approved and signed to add two At-Large Director positions.
- Allen Larson provided a brief description of our 501(c)-3 organization to new board members. This also included a financial review and summary of our financial accounts, where they are maintained and the processes behind check writing, approvals and various other items related to them.
- Starters Sports Training was discussed:
 - Registration will be done through SYBA and our website
 - SYBA will collect from its players and pay Starters the contracted fee
 - Numbers will determine time slots assigned to each age group
 - SYBA will charge \$50 per player and cover the difference
 - Shakopee High School players will register on their own and will have their own time slots at the facility
- Field Winterization Update
 - Fields that have been completed – Riverview, Jackson, HS Hitting Cages
 - Fields that have been scheduled – Green Meadow, Westminster
 - Fields that will be scheduled or followed up on by Tom – East Junior High, West Junior High, Stemmer
- Survey responses were overwhelmingly in favor of going to Omaha. The board discussed and voted to send 3 teams to Omaha the week of June 23rd - 26th, 2016. An email will be sent to 14 year-old families and Matt Masloski will lead that group to organize fundraising and find parents to lead that effort. Matt Smith will reach out to Sharon Sievers who lead the fundraising

for the last group that went to Omaha. Various methods of fundraising were discussed and the focus will be to use the following types:

- Restaurants
- Shakopee Tournament Advertising
- Qwik Trip gas cards (Holiday was discussed but they couldn't commit in time to use them)
- SYBA Website to be reviewed. All board members are asked to review their respective areas on the website to see if we can clean up various areas and make it a bit less clustered. Ideas will be discussed at next meeting.
- Mighty Mite program was discussed. Dave Johnson presented his review of the previous year and provided some recommendations for 2016. In addition, we will focus on ways to find more coaches and how to best implement pitching machines for this program.
- SYBA will look for ways to provide more coaching instruction for coaches next year. Ideas include video instruction as well as utilizing Starters Sports Training facility with coaching clinics.
- SYBA will look further into discounts on player registration fees for volunteer coaches.
- Tom will look at pricing for fence capping and mesh on various fields. Once he is able to summarize pricing he will present to the board and we will consider these items as expenditures.
- Tarps for all school fields have been approved and will be paid for by the school district. The board voted and approved for new tarps to be purchased for Riverview. We will look at moving old Riverview tarp(s) to Green Meadow to cover home plate potentially.
- We discussed the benefits and possibility of dual batting cages at Westminster to be located somewhere in-between the two fields. Tom will contact the city and we will potentially discuss with the Shakopee Softball Association as well.
- Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.