

## **St. Anthony sports Boosters Softball Association (SABSA) Minutes**

**2016, February 17**

**St. Anthony Village Pub – 7:00 PM**

Call to Order: President Al Bates called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

### Attendees:

Rick Ballot, Jerry Welch, Rossi Cannon, Scott McCleary, Al Bates, Danielle Bogucki, Kirsten Stendahl, Jim Zusan, Melody Herlofsky.

### Meeting Ending Goal:

Al shared a goal of ending the meeting around 9:00 pm.

### Approval of the Prior Meetings' Minutes:

Rossi moved, Rick seconded, to approve the minutes from last regular meeting (1/25/16). Motion passed.

### Treasurer's Report:

Registration is working well. The donation option is apparently being well received. More details to follow in the registration and equipment updates.

### Coordinators Updates:

- Uniforms – Al
  - Tahoe Sports online store is up & running, will close on April 10 to avoid cutting delivery times too short.
- Equipment – Al
  - Softies, Ball bags, & Bats have been purchased. We may purchase some more rolling bags to replace ones wearing out. Intend to purchase more Catcher Gear to have 2 sets/team in 2016.
- First Aid Kits – Rossi
  - We'll need to inventory/stock soon, including Ice Packs. Rossi needs a copy of the exemption certificate.
- Field Scheduling - Rick
  - Initial Boosters Fields meeting held w/Baseball, Softball, Soccer. Soccer will not need Wilshire Park on Mondays, only needs the whole WP Field 3-5 days for this season. Rugby is not playing in St. Anthony. No info on Lacrosse. There look to be 4-5 Baseball teams & 3-4 Softball teams on WP/Emerald Park. Should be about an

equal number of Baseball teams using C2 & SB on C1. Al: T-Ball has moved up their season to begin May 3, this will create more early season field pressure at SPP.

- Umpires – Dirk
  - The plan is to go with Tim Klein & crew again this year. Should not need a fee increase after two years in a row. Dirk plans to create an 8U Umpire pool from HS SB Players. Discussion ensued about giving them a Partner, and Mentoring. Training at a scrimmage is ideal. If we create an 8U Subcommittee to talk about Training & Mentoring, Dirk would like to be kept in the loop.
- Facebook – Danielle/Rossi
  - We've had a fair number of views. Have sent out a link to "Village People" to advertise registrations. We're at 93 "Likes". Let's put up another note about registration – "closing soon".
- Spirit Wear – Danielle
  - Turned in \$530 to Al in cash for headbands sold. Will bring remaining headbands, water bottles to Evals with new T-shirts being purchased. Can we do electronic ordering at Evals? To be explored. Can we get Pants samples to Evals? Al will check into ordering sample pants.

#### Player & Coach Development Update - Al:

- Winter Skills Clinics offered by MFA in the SAVHS Gyms, on Sundays, Jan 24, Jan 31 are behind us. Feb 21, & Feb 28 coming up. We had 20 in the younger session, 15 in the older (we moved 3 from younger to older to even the groups out for better player-coach ratios).
- We need volunteers for the remaining Clinics to be the StA "in-charge":  
Jerry & Scott & Danielle will do Feb 21; Rossi & Kirsten will do Feb 28.  
  
The last Open Gym is scheduled for Wilshire Park Gym on Sunday Mar 6, from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. Older players should come from 10-11:30, and younger ones from 11:30-1:00.  
Vols. for Mar 6: Al (early slot), Rossi, Danielle, & Danielle will talk to Erik Lindgren (later slot)
- Pitching Evaluations: Wilshire Park Gym on Sat, March 12, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. (3 sessions: 10U, 12U, 14U). Volunteers: Jim, Scott, Dirk for outside room Hosts. Al will secure Evaluators. Further discussion, including potential 10U Catching Evals tabled to next meeting.
- General Evaluations/Tryouts are scheduled for SAVHS Gyms on Sunday, March 13, 8:00 am – 3:00 pm (4 sessions). Volunteering already for Greeting Table are: Tom Korba 8/10/12Us, Jerry Welch 14Us. Al will rough out stations needed, and follow-up for Volunteers for next meeting.
- April Warmup Clinics will be held Wed April 6, & Tues April 12, 19, & 26 in the Wilshire Park Gym, from 6:00-8:30 (two sessions).

- We discussed the Coach training opportunity with the Twins program; Consensus was to open this to any Head or Assistant Coach from 8U on up.

#### Registration Update & Discussions:

- Thanks to the city for posting “SB (& BB) Regis. is Open” on the Marquee; Al communicated the correct website, and they fixed the posting.
- Update: 71 Registrations to date: 22@8U, 22@10U, 9@12U, 4@14U, 14@6U. Al will send out a list of names of registered players so far.
- A Special Board Meeting is scheduled for Mar 2, 6:00 pm at the Community Center. A tentative Agenda includes: Numbers at each level registered, how teams will be selected at the different levels, how open we will be to accepting players from other associations, Evaluations/Tryouts, recruiting, Waitlists, and “Wants to play...” requests. Dirk moved, Jerry seconded that this meeting be “closed” (Board Members only). Motion passed.
- Potential questionnaire for Pitchers & Catchers? Tabled for the March 3 meeting.

#### Evaluations Committee Makeup:

The current makeup of the Evaluations Committee is: SABSA President (Al), Director of Evaluations (Lamar), Director of Player & Coach Development (redundant, Al), and others, historically Jeff Tonkin, Asst. Director of Evals. & another SABSA alum Coach (Helen Siggelkow or Dirk DeWester). Rossi moved, Danielle seconded, to accept this makeup, with Dirk DeWester and the addition of Melissa Brandenburg, SAVHS JV SB Coach, if available). Motion passed.

#### President’s Update (Al):

- The SABSA Protocol Document regarding Players missing Evaluations remained tabled. It was requested that copies of this document be provided at a future meeting when this is discussed.

#### Fundraising:

- Jersey Mike’s – Kirsten – Fundraiser is ON! Potential 3-4 day donation with a card & get a free sub sandwich. Shooting for June 2-5, May 20, or June 10 date.
- Chipotle – Lamar/(Al) – Scheduled for April 5, 2016. (Joint w/HDC)
- Broadway Pizza – no update.
- Scholarship Fund – checkoff spot on the Registration site, has collected \$172 in donations (less Ngin fees) so far!
- DQ – Danielle -- will be getting Gift Cards (for use by 8U coaches) and a \$250 donation.

### HDC Liaison Update:

- Melody – The SABSA-HDC joint session is on for the Community Center on Feb 21 @ 6 pm. Hopefully everyone can make it. A tentative Agenda was shared.

### Donation:

- SANBE “Basket” – Gift Certificate – winners are to email [Softball@saboosters.org](mailto:Softball@saboosters.org) to let us know they want to redeem their certificates for merchandise.

### Other Business:

- Interest in the Varsity Players doing a Clinic for SABSA Players. Lamar is working on this.
- Can we do online Spirit Wear orders through Ngin? Can we have it open for Evaluations? Rossi, Danielle, & Kirsten to investigate with Ngin. Al will get a contact name at Ngin.
- Jerry reminded all that the Band is having a Pancake Breakfast on the Sunday of Evaluations. Eat pancakes!
- Kirsten expressed interest in finding other field space. Would it be advantageous to rent field space for practices to get more home games?

### Next meeting:

The next meeting will be the Post-Evaluations meeting, Wednesday, March 2 at 6:00 at the Community Center.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, March 14. Location TBD.

### Meeting adjourned:

The meeting adjourned at 9:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Al Bates, President