

## **HYAA monthly board meeting**

1/14/2018

7:15 pm meeting called to order by President Cindy Lyon

Members present: Cindy Lyon, Ryan Stoffel, Bobby Neuville, Scott Tryba, Melanie Peters, Chris Gardell, Randy Kruse, Jim Iliff, Wayne Erickson, Rob Svoboda

Members absent: Tom Radke, Sam Endres, Jared Hamann, Samantha Virchow

*Motion to approve December minutes made by Ryan Stoffel and seconded by Wayne Erickson.*

*Motion carries – December minutes approved as written.*

### **Financial:**

Total assets: \$139,297.98

P&L: \$2,590.04

### **Old Business:**

Budgets - In house softball budget deferred to February meeting.

Park fees - Field usage fees for regular season games is no longer being pursued by the City of Hastings. Fees of \$240 per day for tournaments at Vets Park remain unchanged.

DIBS - No updates

Surveys - Survey draft is complete. Melanie will email survey link to Ryan and Scott to email out to coaches.

Shed roofing - Tabled until spring.

### **Sport Updates:**

#### Tournaments

14/15A – Nine teams are registered and have tournament fees. There are up to 14 teams interested. Proposal to move from nine team, double elimination tournament to a twelve team tournament, same format. Games would be played at all fields Thursday and Friday night. Increasing number of tournament teams would add \$700 to tournament budget.

15AA Tournament – Three teams are currently registered, but remaining spots should fill.

Additional needs for tournaments include trained, onsite field coordinators at all fields during tournaments to support and direct volunteers. Some discussion regarding how to recruit and train field coordinators. To be pursued in coming months.

Continued discussion of level of Hastings Hawks involvement at tournaments. Less help from Hastings Hawks at tournaments should be expected this year.

*Motion made by Wayne Erickson to increase 14/15A tournament to 12 team, double-elimination tournament, seconded by Ryan Stoffel.*

*Motion carries.*

Scoreboard at Vets Park – Scoreboard is in need of refurbishing with estimated cost of \$15,000. HYAA is willing to collaborate with Hastings Hawks to explore funding solutions. If current scoreboard is operational for tournaments, a small group of volunteers will need to train on how to use scoreboard and PA system, as Bruce Karnick will not be at the tournaments.

#### Traveling Baseball 9U-15U

All teams are registered for tournaments. Anticipating 17 traveling teams with potential for 19 teams. Coaches will be needed for AA and A teams. Clinics and tryouts are scheduled. Tryouts will be March 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

### VFW and Legion

Budgets for VFW and Legion approved in early January. District meetings to be held at end of week. Coaching updates – One Legion coach expected to return for 2018 season. Still in need of VFW coach. Some discussion regarding potential for recent graduates to serve as assistant coaches, mentored by an experienced coach for the summer.

### Traveling Softball

Umpires will be used at all games, including 8U. Budget for 8U is already at a loss, but umpires are needed. In future, HYAA could consider raising fees for traveling softball, as HYAA fees are still under most surrounding communities by \$100. Tri County disassociated from national organization and are now associated with a new, Mall of America nationals. A 12U player from Cottage Grove has asked to play with HYAA as she was cut by her home organization. Issue to be revisited in February for Board approval if registration numbers for HYAA allow for an additional player. Five coaches will be attending training. Clinics and tryouts are scheduled. Tryouts will be February 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

### In-house Softball - No update

### **New Business:**

Registration – Some delays due to Sport Ngin. Registration should now be ready pending a final review/test by a Board member. Registration will be open through February 4<sup>th</sup>.

Fundraisers – HYAA sponsored garage sale to be held at Tilden explored further. Due to janitor fees of \$35 per hour, the event is too expensive. Still potential if an alternative, less costly site can be found.

Motion to adjourn made to Scott Tryba to adjourn at 8:15pm and seconded by Randy Cruse.  
Meeting adjourned.

Minutes recorded by Melanie Peters in absence of Secretary Haman.