

Apple Valley Travel Baseball Board Meeting

November 15, 2021 at 7:00

Board Members Present: Brian Ames, Ann Chamberlain, Chris Halgren, Jess Hodgson, Mac Noland, Ryan Tauer, Alli Weaver, Brad Willis

Board Members Absent: Jeremy Jackson, Katie Jackson, Lonnie Provencher

New Board Member

- Joe Howe
 - Brian Ames made motion to vote; Brad Willis seconded
 - Board voted Joe in and will be Fundraiser/Sponsorship Coordinator

Dept. of Health Certificates

- Traveling Baseball mailbox Inbox
 - Any idea what we should do with this?
 - They're probably for concession stands
 - Ann will get them from the fieldhouse

Community Baseball Recruiting

- Mac is going to hold Zoom sessions for "Learning about Traveling Baseball". Thinking of doing this at the following 2022 age groups
 - 2nd grade (9U)
 - 3rd grade (9U or 10U)
 - 4th grade (10U)
 - 5th grade (11U)
 - 6th grade (12U)
- Include the Sunday night baseball program in that deal. First Sunday night is the 12th.
- "Introduction to Apple Valley Baseball Townhall"
 - Show the difference between traveling and club ball
 - Different levels of play
 - Commitment level - four times a week.
 - Cost
 - Playing time. Bat the entire roster.
 - Real uniforms
 - Off video games.
- Mac will create a presentation and share with board members so we can provide feedback

Coaches and Parent Clinic

- [Apply to Host a 2022 Play Ball Minnesota Coach and Parent Clinic](#)
 - What is Play Ball Minnesota Coach and Parent Clinic

2022 Tournament Proposal

- Need to apply for state bids by December 1
- Proposed two tournament models
 - Board decided to go with Model B
- Alli will move forward and apply for state bids and field reservations

Options for ages with low numbers

- 12U
 - Path 1: Allow kids to play 13U
 - 12AA = 13A
 - 12AAA = 13AA
 - Path 2: Allow wavers out
 - Path 3: Play 12A with remaining players + EV/BV extras
 - Path 4: Move remaining 12U kids up to 13A
 - Mac will email Doug and Trevor to talk about bringing 12U to BV.
- 15U
 - Path 1: Allow kids to play Legion
 - Path 2: Allow wavers out
 - Path 3: Play 15/14A with remaining players + EV/BV/PL extras
- At the 15U and 14U level, another option is to have a 15AA and 15/14A team filled from both 15U and 14U kids. There is a chance Sam will need some help with the 9th grade highschool team which would align with this plan.

Readouts

- Age Group Coordinator
 - Will start to look at tournaments in December.
 - No South Dakota.
 - Rochester remote tournament would be an option.
- Treasurer
 - No updates
- Secretary
 - Nothing to add
- Concessions
 - No updates
- Tournaments
 - Alli has the plan.
- Website
 - [Added 2022 bat rules](#). (can someone please review? I copied these from an email Eastview sent out this weekend)
 - Posted 3/11 as tentative tryout date. 11-3PM
 - Will post registration link once open
 - Planning to send reminder of winter clinic dates in early December

- Equipment
 - Brian and Ryan working on budget, currently \$5000, doesn't include pitching mounds or weighted balls
 - New equipment ideas, wiffle balls, dowel, J bands, others?
 - New pitching mounds - EV mounds are about \$1300 a piece.
- Tryouts
 - Savage dome is confirm for March 11
 - Time slots for each age group?
 - Brian and Brad will work together to come up with a tryout plan
 - Best way to divide age groups?
 - Last year the older kids went pretty quickly
 - Breaking up the younger kids into smaller groups
- Volunteer
 - Chris and Katie to work on the volunteer plan
 - Alli will provide tournament locations and times
- Uniforms
 - Decided to go with yellow hats
 - Will have Westwood do the AV logo embroidery
 - Brian will get sample sizes for uniform fitting
- Fundraisers
 - Joe to work with Katie on this.

Next meeting will be held December 6th at 6:00pm at Rascals.

Motion to adjourn Brian Ames, seconded by Jess Hodgson

Meeting Adjourned at 9:05