

Attendance: Corryn Anderson, Julie Cooley, Randy Lowe, Matt Herrmann, Nate Greene, Terry Olson, Sean DeCent, Justin Wilkins, Kara Kocon, Joe Jensen

Absences: Eric Potthoff (1st 3/9, 2nd 6/8)

1. Meeting **CALLED to ORDER** at 7:03 PM

2. **PUBLIC FORUM**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from June

Motion to approve by Randy, seconded by Matt. Motion passes.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

Soderville Hosted Events

Discussion about how tournaments are run by softball, baseball and USSSA, Stephanie and Corryn have been tournament directors for the last few years. They want to continue doing so, but are requesting more volunteers so we can get the most bang for our buck. SBAA gets \$50 per team for each tournament, and USSSA pays the rental fee from the City of Ham Lake.

Over the last 5 years the USSSA tournaments have accounted for the following percentages of all concessions sales for the season 2025: 40.5%, 2024: 32%, 2023: 29%, 2022: 32%, 2021: 55%

5. **CORRYN**

Surveys

Review the survey results before the next regular Board meeting and we can discuss in October or November.

City of Ham lake

The City raised the cost to rent the fields to \$1,000 from \$500 for the weekend for each complex.

Closing Fields

If the fields are unplayable, as an organization we will start closing the fields.

Checkbooks

Motion to close the following checkbooks: traveling fastpitch, baseball, concessions and capital improvements and transfer the funds and ownership of the accounts to the general fund, by Randy, seconded by Matt. Motion passes.

Board Member Resignations

Eric Potthoff and Nate Greene will be leaving the Board in October. Their seats must be fulfilled by baseball representatives.

Updated Balances

Capital Improvement: \$91,654

Concessions: \$63,056

General Fund: \$111,685

Baseball: \$20,589

Fastpitch: \$11,776

Committee Reports:

Concessions – Olson/Anderson

- Everything is going well. Haven't talked to Jim, the concession coordinator about next year yet.

Soderville Baseball – Potthoff & Greene

- BATBA reached out and requested to meet to discuss the relationship between the two organizations.
- Fall ball teams are allowed to use equipment and fields. Had a situation with a coach using the field.
- Baseball discussed Tournament Teams again at their committee meeting. These are teams that compete at the traveling level which play in 3 extra tournaments. Players have to try out specifically for these teams. Baseball hasn't had one in three years.

Traveling Fastpitch – Cooley

- Summer Ball wrapped up at the end of July
- Fall Ball concludes next weekend with the State tournament
- An early fall clean up took place the weekend of Labor Day and Lion's Park is looking much better
- A free pitching and catcher's clinic happened at the end of August and we well attended and received

Field Scheduling– Anderson

- Airport field will be available again for next season

Fields/Facilities - Anderson

- No update

Fundraising – Anderson

- Addy Wallschlager is working with Corryn on fundraising as part of her senior capstone project
- Herrmann and others are planning to ask Blaine Youth Hockey for another donation in October or November.
- Received a \$5,000 donation from the Ham Lake City Chamber of Commerce for the field re-leveling project.

Sponsors –

- No update

Web/IT – Greene

- Herrmann volunteered to takeover IT tasks
- No other update

Town Ball – Olson

- No update

Social Media – Wallschlager & DeCent

- Slammin 8's looking at a new format next year

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEXT MEETING & ADJOURN at 8:20 PM

Annual SBAA Meeting with Regular Board meeting to follow

Tuesday, October 21 at 7:00 PM

Ham Lake Lanes