



**Cottage Grove Baseball
Board Meeting Minutes
May 23, 2021**

BOARD MEMBERS		PRESENT (Y/N)
Tim Kaplan	President	Y
Scott Erickson	Traveling Director	Y
Cassi Ruhnau	In-House Director	Y
Matt McMorrow	Budget Director	N
Joe Venaglia	Fields Director	Y
Shane Waterman	Equipment Director	Y
Sarah Sivanich	Registrations Director	Y
Josh Nienow	Umpires Director	Y
Josh Munger	Tournaments Director	N
Jon Zurbey	Communications Director	Y
LEVEL DIRECTORS (OPTIONAL)		PRESENT (Y/N)
Brad Pederson	15YO	N
Justin Hennem	14YO	N
Jim Rodriguez	13YO	N
Adam Sease	12YO	N
Pete Olichwier	11YO	N
Jason Gamache	10YO	Y
Mike Zasada	9YO	N

Coach McGowan and Chris Crumb joined the meeting.

**Meeting held via videoconference on May 23, 2021.
Meeting called to order at 7:02pm. (Called to Order by Tim)
Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm. (Seconded by Josh and Cassie)
Next meeting scheduled for June 27, 2021.**

MAY 2021 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

President (Tim Kaplan)

Consider in-person meetings starting in July for those that are comfortable.

Thanks for getting things going this year; lots of work coming off COVID season. Big thumbs up.

Tim invited Coach McGowan to join meeting for an update:

Just finished the regular conference schedule. Tied for second; best finish in years.

Sections start Memorial Day at home vs. opponent TBD (CGAA to promote).

9th grade field is available for CGAA but requires coordination.

Ready and willing to manage tryouts for 2022 season (fall tryout dates in September TBD).

Consider youth camp in partnership with CGAA in late August (continue conversations offline).

Exploring doing more in the offseason, in particular pitching/catching (potentially at Park).

CG Baseball Scholarship update.

Main board update: Clean gambling audit means scheduled distribution across divisions is coming.

The baseball board has approved installing a scoreboard at Woodridge South (big field); funds to pay for the scoreboard are being secured from the Lions Club and the CGAA Gaming Fund.

Traveling Director (Scott Erickson)

All coaches have completed Trusted Coaches.

Uniforms arrived and have been distributed (delays not on Advanced end).

Pictures are booked for June 15-17 (scheduling link going out to coaches).

Looking to promote traveling team success (Scott to send call out for photos/state berths).

Looking to post list of where all traveling team's play (go watch other ages at same tourney).

Going to hold the Cottage Grove World Series again this year for 14/15 at Woodridge.

Chris Crumb joined to give an update from the committee.

Targeting registration the first week of June.

Continuing to work on sponsorship packages.

In-House Director (Cassi Ruhnau)

Continued to update and post in-house schedules.

Pictures slated for the coming week.

Need first-aid kits at in-house fields (Joe to pick up and put in boxes).

Bases are missing at Pine Glenn every week (Joe to check out).

Need new locks on many boxes, getting rusted out (Joe to check out; new locks at YSB).

Wee Tees are setup and ready to go (Shane and Cassi to coordinate equipment bag hand-off).

Confirm end-of-year in-house tourneys are booked with the City (Tim/Cassi).

Build end-of-year schedule second week of June (Cassi).

Still working through Trusted Coaches for in-house coaches.

Continue to find additional support (JZ may have someone).

Budget Director (Matt McMorrow)

Not present; no update.

Fields Director (Joe Venaglia)

Not present; no update.

See various to-dos outline in meeting minutes.

Equipment Director (Shane Waterman)

Equipment ordered and coming in; some catcher's gear on backorder.

Coordinate pickup of first-aid kits and locks with Joe.

Coordinate Wee Tee equipment hand-off with Cassie.

Coordinate umpire equipment with Josh.

Registrations Director (Sarah Sivanich)

Primary registrations are all closed.

Will share list of 4 individuals that still need to pay secondary registration.

Will setup Cottage Grove World Series Registration.

Umpires Director (Josh Nienow)

Feeling good about in-house umpire schedule for rest of year (sometimes overbooked)

Need to coordinate umpire equipment inventory and delivery with Shane.

While in-house may be overbooked, OK to look at some younger umpires to start training for next year (Josh and Tim to talk offline).

Tournaments Director (Josh Munger)

Not present; no update.

Communications Director (Jon Zurbey)

Communicate out:

- Park Section Game/Schedule

- Cottage Grove World Series Registration

- CGAA Baseball Update: State Qualifiers/Photos

Website:

- Post full Traveling team tournament schedule.

- Update website with latest COVID protocols.
