

NPGFA

Board Meeting minutes 1/2/2019

7:00PM Great River Energy Conference Room

New Prague Girls Fastpitch Association Mission Statement

New Prague Girls Fastpitch Association is committed to teaching the fundamentals of competitive Fastpitch softball. We are here to promote leadership, cooperation, team skills, to deal with accomplishments and disappointments, to improve self-confidence and self-esteem and to have FUN! We do this as a feeder system to the New Prague Schools.

Board Members

Present: Alex Perkinson, Pat Perkinson, Jim Kaufman, Colleen Ambroz, Todd Pietsch, Lisa Johnson, Michelle Fischer, and Chad Kraml

Not Present:

Quorum present: Yes

Others Present: Joel Munson, Anna Borwege, and Daylan Johnson

Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 7:01PM by Pat Perkinson

President's Report:

- Reading of mission statement by Pat Perkinson

Secretary's Report

- Reading of last meetings minutes by Alex Perkinson
- Changes:
 - Offer a payment plan **for the summer season** → two payments **versus** or paying all at once
 - Windscreen options from **Shawn Sean** Crawford

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to approve 12/5/2018 meeting minutes.

Seconded by Michelle Fischer.

Motion passed 7-0.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim Kaufman

- 2018 end budget: \$21,974
- End of January 2019: \$33,074
- Projected end of 2019 budget: \$16,076
- Field improvement contributions: \$5,000
 - May be able to contribute more depending on numbers at registration

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to approve 2019 proposed budget.

Seconded by Chad Kraml.

Motion passed 7-0.

Webmaster Report:

Lisa Johnson

- Trophy and All-Stars pages have been started
- Chalking videos will be posted
- Some training videos no longer work and must be removed

Volunteer Coordinator's Report:

Lisa Johnson

- A new coordinator has been appointed → Nikki Hauck
- Lisa will do/help with winter clinic volunteers

Registration Coordinator's Report:

Todd Pietsch/Chad Kraml

- Winter clinic registration:
 - 8U - 16
 - 10U - 19
 - 12U - 12
 - 14U - 7
 - 16U - 1
- 33 athletes interested in the pitching clinics
- 24 athletes interested in the catching clinics
- 14U: 21 players are eligible
 - 10 yes, 1 maybe, 10 unknown
 - We will field a 14U team
 - 1 parent has volunteered to coach → will be brought up to the SBDC
- Allowing TCU residents to play in New Prague association
 - Must let TCU know

- Signs have been put up → drawing more interest from Elko New Market and Montgomery areas

Board Calendar

Todd Pietsch/Board

- Summer registration: early registration deadline is January 31st
- Last day of clinics: March 3rd
- Tryouts: March 9th-10th

Equipment Coordinator:

Michelle Fischer

- Need to meet with Anna Borwege about batting cage net
- All equipment has been delivered to the middle school shed

Field/Gym Coordinator:

Michelle Fischer

- Try to schedule gym time in April and May Saturday mornings before baseball takes over
- Haven't heard anything back from Craig Most about adding the windscreen to the varsity field
 - Would like to get up before spring
- February 25th Parent/Player Meeting at 7pm
 - HS commons

Fundraising Coordinator:

Michelle Fischer

- Hoping to have all planned out before tryouts
 - Flowers will be ready to go the weekend before Mother's Day
 - Leave at 3 flower sales per player

Uniform Coordinator:

Chad Kraml

- Reconnected with Uniforms Express
 - Still have our layout
 - Only thing they need are sizes and numbers
 - Can set up a store for a 2-week period
 - Must have 12 orders per item for clothes to be made
- Looking at other options for clothing "stores" similar to ID Threadz
- Doing jersey t-shirts for 8U again

- Need to check on pricing before tryouts → same as last year since we won't have to order as many?

Umpire Coordinator:

Pat Perkinson

- Still looking at doing a cadet training in April
- Possibility of doing a 2 umpire training system
 - Increases the cost per night
- Going with Steve Schmitz again

Tournament/League Coordinator:

Colleen Ambroz

- MOA Nationals has been pushed back a week
- Electronic board at Round Bank should have advertisement of winter clinics

SBDC Report:

Joel Munson/Daylan Johnson

- 20 seats have been secured for the Play Ball! Coaches Conference
 - Currently only 8 seats left, but can call to reserve more
 - February 2nd → all day
 - Geared towards softball
- Added to SBDC Guidelines
 - "If the SBDC chairperson is the parent and/or guardian of one or more NPGFA player, the SBDC chairperson will NOT be able to be a head coach or co-head coach of any NPGFA team, while they hold the position of the NPGFA SBDC Chairperson. However, the SBDC chairperson shall be able to be an assistant coach or any non-head coach position, for any NPGFA team."

Motion made by Michelle Fischer to add the SBDC chairperson coaching parameters to the SBDC Guidelines.

Seconded by Colleen Ambroz.

Motion passed 7-0.

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to approve Daylan Johnson as the new SBDC Chairperson.

Seconded by Michelle Fischer.

Motion passed 6-0.

- Dates for clinics are on the website
 - Where each level is going to be at each week is also listed
 - Plans have been created and will be uploaded on the website for future coaches to use

Other Business:

- Field improvements:
 - Pat has been in contact with Eric Steinhoff about adding a flag pole in the center of the high school fields
 - Michelle will reach out to the baseball association about poles for the JV field fence
 - Sean needs to go remeasure the fence for the windscreen and will get the process started
 - Michelle and Anna will be in contact with each other about the batting cage
- January 8th meeting:
 - Presented by the SBDC → using last year's PowerPoint with modifications
 - Geared towards newer members
- February 25th meeting topics:
 - Uniforms → sizing
 - Volunteer hours → DIBs, buy outs
 - Fundraising → dates, buy outs
 - Summer and Fall season guidelines
 - Tryouts
 - ZERO TOLERANCE towards umpires/coaches/players
 - Chain of command for communication with complaints
 - Recruit members for the board
- 14U/16U program future
 - Athletes seeking more training are being pushed towards club teams
 - Possibly look at doing a fall tryout

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Todd Pietsch.

Motion passed 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49PM.

Next meeting 2/6/2018 at Great River Energy Conference Room at 7:00PM.