



Greenville Youth Sports' (GYS) mission is to promote the growth of baseball and softball at all levels of competition for the Greenville community.

Meeting Agenda

June 26, 2024 / 7:30 PM

In Attendance

Greg Reimann (President)	Erik Schuessler (Machine Pitch Commissioner)
Bonnie Gremore (VP)	Andy Plamann (Girls Tournament Team Coordinator and Softball Tournament Coordinator)
Amanda DeHaai (Treasurer)	Eric Sheedy (Minor League Commissioner)
Megan Meyer (Secretary)	Kayla Lochbaum (Junior League Commissioner)
Eric Barth (IT Coordinator)	OPEN (Senior League Commissioner)
Amanda Parafiniuk (Sponsorship Coordinator)	TJ Minnehan (Coach Pitch Commissioner)
Nick Steudel/Drew Koepl (Equipment Coordinator)	Roxanne Bannister (Website Coordinator)
Julia Otto (Fundraising Coordinator)	Doug Schacht (Umpire Coordinator)
OPEN (Registration Coordinator)	OPEN (Diamond Scheduler)
Andy Garr (Peewee & T-Ball League Commissioner)	Alex Baierl (Volunteer Coordinator)
Joe Leitzke (Major League Commissioner)	

Board Meeting

Meeting started at 7:37

- **MEMBER COMMENTS:** Time allotted / 5 min
- **RECOGNITIONS:** Time allotted / 3 min /
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Time allotted / 2 min /
 - Amanda P motioned, Alex seconded – Unanimously approved

REPORTS

- **President's Update**
 - Need to ensure that we are having discussions at the sub committee level and bringing those updates to our groupme chat for approval/approval vs having those conversations directly in groupme.
 - Long Term Strategy
 - How can we ensure that the subcommittees for Griffins and PBFP are staying aligned to what we are doing in league.
 - We used to have people that were on subcommittees for various activities throughout the year such as events, tryouts, sponsors etc. Need to manage the budget for these.
 - Events Committee – perhaps we can form an events committee where we can invite non-board members to participate without being on the board.
- **Vice President's Report**
 - Awareness for the need to fill the managers position for the concessions for next year. We think the position will be open.
 - An idea is to recruit at the high school for kids who are looking to get into business management and/or kids who are looking for volunteer hours for scholarships.
 - Tricia from Triafrog treats is forming her own food truck association and would like to help GYS with managing the food trucks coming in for our events. Would like to give her a banner for her volunteer time.

- **Secretary's Report**
- **Treasurer Report**
 - Chipstrong Foundation golf outing sponsorship request
 - Saturday, September 21 @10am; Shamrock Heights in New London
 - Previously sponsored at Silver level - \$250 for recognition in tournament, name on event t-shirts, and hole sponsorship
 - [Greg motioned, kayla seconded – unanimously approved](#)
- **Registration Report**
- **Sponsorship Coordinator Report**
 - Proposed Sponsorship changes for 2025
 - New Community Park sportsmanship signs & locations
 - Village has tentatively approved the use of these signs. Looking for
 - 2021, 2022, & 2023 sponsorship plaque update
 - Need a better system for distributing plaques going forward
- **Fundraising Report**
 - [The store closing was extended by a week. Do not have a date on when the apparel will be completed.](#)
- **Equipment Coordinator Report**
 - Scheels over purchased catchers gear. Willing to sell us catchers gear at 50% off. We are looking to purchase 10 at the older ages and 5 for the younger ages.
 - Question – can we also purchase knee savers to supplement the catchers g's gear?
 - reAmanda motioned to spend 3,000 on catchers gear and knee savers. Erik B seconded. Unanimously approved
- **IT Coordinator Report**
 - Greg got approval from village to put cameras up at concessions.
- **Diamond Scheduler Report**
 - Need to ensure that coaches have scores loaded into sports engine so that we can start planning the league tournament.
 - We will be loading the planned league tournament into sports engine so that that its visible to parents etc
 - 3 makeup games to happen yet from rain outs.
- **Volunteer Coordinator Report**
- **Umpire Coordinator Report**
- **League Commissioner Reports - Time allotted | 5 min each | Action required: submit report by email; follow up discussion as needed in new business**
 - **PeeWee/TeeBall – Andy Garr**
 - *Text to coaches went out to ensure we are starting games on time to keep things moving and to not start a new inning when hour is up. Things are going well.*
 - *Half of the pictures still need to be distributed*
 - **Coach Pitch – TJ Minnehan**
 - **Looking to put some dashes on the fields to represent 90 ft**
 - **Machine Pitch – Erik Schuessler**
 - **Junior League – Kayla Lochbaum**
 - **Minor League – Erik Sheedy**
 - **Senior League – OPEN**
 - Low attendance for practices. Throwing out the idea for joint practices.
 - **Major League–Joe Lietzke**
 - **Baseball Tournament--Committee**
 - Tournament this coming weekend. Had to accommodate a last minute team add.

- In the past we have run into conflicts with football equipment try on and national night out and griffin tryouts. Trying to be proactive and avoid those dates.
- Would like to split up 9u and 10u since last year it went so late.
- Looking to raise our fees for tournament players with the hopes that we can use GYS funds to reserve indoor turf in the winter.
- Downpayment would stay the same.
- Joe made a motion to increase the tournament fees by 25\$. Erik S seconded. Approved. 2 board members opposed.
- **Softball Tournament Teams – Andy Plamann**
 - Tryouts are being done in the last week in July in an attempt to catch girls before they may jump to other organizations
 - Monday 12 U, Tuesday 10U, wed 8U
 - Tryout dates and new age rules have been communicated to all registered PBFP league players (which includes tourney players) as well as the older tee-ball kids.
 - Proposed fee for next season is \$250 / player. Last season was \$200 / player except black was \$250 to cover extra tournament costs. This is somewhat dependent on the budget proposal I sent via email being agreed to by GYS / HYS.
 - Andy p motioned to make all teams \$250 across the board. Amanda D seconded
 - Prior to voting we would like to discuss both GYS and HYS contributing half of the tourney fees vs having the families pay for the fees. This would match what we do for baseball.
 - Mid-season survey was sent out, closes June 28th. I will share the scrubbed results with first the exec team. I will also be sending the coach specific feedback to each coach on Sunday evening.
 - I have heard from several coaches that they do not like this format. Going forward we will most likely exclude the coach selection drop down completely or switch to a division selector switch. # 1 we want parents to talk to coaches first instead of relying on anonymous surveys and #2 if people fill out the survey and have really positive or negative feedback I think its reasonable for them to spell out the coach(es) they are talking about in the space they are provided for feedback.
 - Meetings about PBFP / PBFP club merger have not begun, will most likely start after tryouts.
 - Need some follow up on having more GYS representation on PBFP committee. Need to also discuss the direction of the program and how it should be organized.
- **Park Improvement Committee**
 - Greg motion to approve 1700 for the D cage, Amanda P seconded – unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS/Discussion/Voting Items / FUTURE DISCUSSIONS

New Business :

- Summer Send Off Float – Approval of \$1,500 spend
 - Megan motioned, TJ seconded. Unanimously approved.
- If anybody wants to lead the float organization we will waive their volunteer hours.

Annual Calendar Topics

- 8U, 10U, 12U & 14U Great Greenville Catfish Softball Tournament
- GYS League Tournament
 - There is a conflict with our softball schedule and a tournament that starts on Thursday. Decided not to change the tournament schedule to accommodate since there is no guarantee the girls will actually be playing on Thursday.

- Additional tasks to be completed this month:
 - Send out year-end parent/player survey
 - Set date for August Tournament Team tryouts
 - Set date for Annual Home Run Derby (???)
 - Plan and coordinate parade float for Summer Send-Off (???)
 - Post Home Run Derby volunteer needs to Dibs (???)

9:42 Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, August 7th, Community Park under pavilion

Future Meeting Topics :

- Possibly invite Coach Yeager to the march meeting to have a short discussion about building relationship with the older baseball program.
- HYS would like to have a minors non-conference game – for discussion later.
- We want to talk about changing the names of the Leagues to match the world series naming.