



April 13, 2020, 7:00 PM

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Meeting Minutes

Board Member Attendees:	Jamie Fontaine - President	Y	Tate Brandt – Treasurer	Y
	Matt Breyer – VP Travel Co-Director	Y	Dan Jochum – Secretary	Y
	David Verduzco – Travel Co-Director	Y	Eric Welter – Player/Coach Development	Y
	Cara Hoye – Registration/Uniforms	Y	Angela Brau – Youth League	Y
	Jeremy Laughlin - Community League	Y	Pasha Derkovicks – Communications	Y
	Ericka Waterman – Director Fundraising	Y	Brannon Weigel - Webmaster	Y
	Brad Keenan – Co-Direct Equipment	Y	Jon Tangen – Grounds	Y
	Sam Winzenburg – Co-Direct Equipment	Y	Bill Remick – Umpires	N
	Brianna Wydeven– Co-director Concession	Y	Crystal Fong – Co-director Concessions	Y
Visitor Attendees:				

Agenda:

1. Minutes review and recognition
2. General Discussion – COVID-19 impacts
3. Treasurer Report
4. Director updates:
 - a. Registrations/Uniforms & Apparel – Cara/Brianna
 - b. Webmaster – David/Brannon
 - c. Concessions/Volunteer – Crystal/Brianna
 - d. Player Development / Chaska Classic- Eric
 - e. Travel League – Matt / David
 - f. Youth League – Angela
 - g. Community League – Jeremy
 - h. Communication / Social Media – Pasha
 - i. Umpires – Bill
 - j. Equipment – Brad/Sam
 - k. Grounds – Jon
 - l. Fundraising – Ericka
5. Committee updates
 - a. Expo Committee
 - b. Pictures Committee
 - c. Scheduling – question response 4/15
6. Other business:
 - a. Coach screening, training, and tracking – Risk Mitigation status

Agenda Topic	Topic	Discussion Notes	Action
Meeting Minutes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to accept the March meeting minutes 	Tate – Motion Matt -2 nd Approved.
Visitors		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
COVID-19 Update to Season		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelter in place until May 4th. Possibility of phasing in baseball after May 4th. There will be impacts to entire season at all levels. Unsure what impacts will be at this point but communicating to our families is important. 	
Treasures Report		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any invoices need to be sent to Tate’s email. • Tate will be taking accounts over in next few weeks. • Tate can cut checks with old checks until new ones arrive. He is authorized rep of association to execute checks. • Tate is going to put together a spreadsheet of financials for next meeting. • David has received requests from parents to remove kids from baseball because of what is going on with COVID-19. Consensus is to refund fee if parents request a refund. 	
Director Updates:	Registration Uniforms Apparel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some families have asked for money back. Communicating that a decision hasn’t been made yet on season and refunds will be made if season is cancelled. • Registration is at 244 thus far. • We likely will push back in house season to mid-July with a 6 week season. • Uniforms – Cara put a hold on all pants because they are local. All other jerseys are on hold at this point. The Metro jerseys and hats are done and waiting at this point. • Apparel – Don’t have any apparel ordered other than samples because the Expo was cancelled. We have about \$200 tied up in sample apparel thus far. • Metro jerseys can be used next year at this point. 	
	Webmaster	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David got in contact with SportEngine regarding pending payments. 13/14 had two payments left and the May 1st payment was extended to June 1st and the June 1st payments were pushed to July 1st. The 10-12 year old final payment was pushed from May 1st to June 1st. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David and Tate should get schedule info turned in soon. 	
	<p>Concessions</p> <p>Volunteer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with City on getting keys from City. City doesn't know when and if things will open due to COVID-19. Do we even have concessions this year? • How do we control how many people are in concession stand? • Do we consider not having food that isn't pre-packaged for safety reasons? • Haven't done any shopping yet. • We should probably look at having pre-packaged food only. • We should have a small committee with Bre and Crystal and a few others to make a recommendation on how concessions are handled and what other associations are doing. Sam is willing to help out with this committee. Cara is willing to help out as well. 	
	<p>Travel League</p> <p>Tournament Team</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matt indicated that there are a lot of uncertainty. At some point there is going to be a tipping point regarding travel and cost. There may be an opportunity to play surrounding communities if a season doesn't happen. Most May tournaments are being scrapped. Some are being pushed back to June. Some parents have asked for refunds due to ongoing concerns over COVID-19. • Matt indicated he would prefer if we could organize some other type of schedule if MBL doesn't happen. • David indicated MBL would like to start May 18th but this is up in the air at this point. • Matt suggests we come up with a solution to play in event that MBL doesn't have season. We need to use creative thinking and make phone calls with surrounding communities to play games. • The Board can wait until the May meeting to make a formal decision. The Governor's stay at home order ends at May 4th at this point. • Association can send an update out to parents indicating that a decision will be made and early May and there is a chance for alternative playing arrangements for later in the summer. • If parents are in a financial hardship situation the Association can refund money on a case by case basis for registration fees. • A group can be put together to decide how financial assistance or refunds will be handled. • There will be a registration fee discount if we are not able to play a full season. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matt will work on sending out a message to families regarding an update on the season with the assistance of Erika and Pascha. • Lakeville has cancelled its tournament. Prior Lake has pushed back May tournaments until June. Others may have as well. 	
	Community League	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jeremy provided an update on what other communities are doing and indicated Eden Prairie is considering a fall league if COVID-19 continues. • 	
	Youth League	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Angela said they are in a holding pattern. Angela will have to decide how teams will be made if the season starts. Once it starts going it will go fast. 	
	Player Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eric sent out some videos for players to do work at home on baseball. 	
	Classic Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eric has gotten a call from Mankato indicating they aren't having tryouts until the week of our tournament. Mankato has asked to drop out. • Eric feels it will be a stretch for us to play on May 15th with all that is going on. • Do we consider moving the tournament back or do we just cancel? • Matt suggested if it moves that it could move to mid-July and have an open tournament. • Eric suggested a possible fall tournament. • Feasibility to move to June is unlikely. • Eric will communicate to other teams that we will make decision on our tournament in early May. • We will issue a Mankato a refund since they have been a good partner with us in the past. 	
	Umpires	N/A	
	Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brad did a scaled back order for the year. 20 new tees. 100 dozen baseballs. 40 dozen practice 60 dozen games. Also ordered some heavy balls and wiffles. Cut back to about \$5200 from around \$7500. Brad and Eric will get all the bags ready to go. • Also looking at a storage facility that may be cheaper. 	
	Grounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jon will be doing an inventory of metal storage bins and waiting for weather and COVID-19 issues to go away. • Did Jesse hand off field maintenance information and chalking information? He did hand off the info. Main thing is the chalk and chalking getting done. 	
	Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pascha sent out some information via social media on drills/videos that can be done at home. • Communicate that goal is to have a baseball season for our kids and we will define that as things become 	

		<p>clearer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jeremy – should be do a fun Facebook engagement for kids to show that they are remaining involved in practicing baseball? • Who would be involved and how would it be launched? Jeremy is interested and can work with Pascha on this initiative. Welter is going to send a video to Pascha to get this initiative rolling. 	
	Chevy Baseball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brad stopped at Lenzen to ask about Chevy Baseball. Cara got a call that Lenzen has the baseball things from Chevy. Brad is going to call Lenzen and find out about picking things up. • Who is getting the Chevy Baseball emails? These should be going to Erika and she can take the lead on this. • This has been a very good partnership. 	
	Fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erika provided an update. She is thinking about how we can do something positive for the baseball community. • Erika is looking at doing something like a small town outdoor celebration for baseball. Could be a home room run derby, wiffle ball games, other fun games. Pay to participate to raise money. Could possibly work with Cubs as well. • Erika will put together a more detailed plan and present at the next meeting. Jeremy is willing to assist. Pascha can assist in this as well. 	
Committee Updates	Expo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancelled for this year. 	
	Pictures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cara had been assisting Shelly. Everything on hold because of COVID-19. • Who is willing to assist Cara with picture? • Angela and Erika are willing to assist. 	

	Trusted Coaches	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cara said we are waiting so far. Do we want to move forward without knowing if we are going to have a season? We can move forward once we know we have a season. • Someone needs to take over the trusted coaches after Cara is done. Bre is willing to assist since she is involved with registrations. 	
	Chaska Cubs Agreement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking at having an agreement with the Cubs to manage concessions for the 2021 State Amateur tournament for everything nonalcoholic. Opportunity to raise \$25,000 to \$30,000 doing this work. • We are continuing to develop a good relationship with the Cubs. • This is going to be a big effort and it will take everyone being involved. • Board will have to determine what the money will be spent on. • Eric Welter has been working with the Cubs on this effort. 	
Other Business		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None. 	

Current Board Members:

Board Position	Sitting Member	2020 Status
President	Jamie Fontaine	Active (3 rd year)
Vice President Travel Director	Matt Breyer	Active (3 rd year)
Travel Co-director Webmaster	Dave Verduzco	Active (2 nd year)
Secretary	Dan Jochum	Active (1 st year)
Treasurer	Tate Brandt	Active (1 st year)
Director Registration, Uniforms & Apparel	Cara Hoye	Active (2 nd year)/resigning 2020 Crystal – shadow/transition Fall 2020
Director Player & Coach Development	Eric Welter	Active (3 rd year)
Director Youth League (ages 6-10)	Angela Brau	Active (1 st year)
Director Community League (ages 11-13)	Jeremy Laughlin	Active (1 st year)
Director Tournament Team	Eliminated	Folded into Travel team

Communications/Social Media Coordinator	Pasha Derkovicks	Active (1 st year)
Director Fundraising	Ericka Waterman	Active (1 st year)
Website	Brannon Weigel	Active (1 st year)
Equipment, Co-director	Brad Keenan Sam Winzenburg	Active (1 st year) Active (1 st year)
Director Grounds Crew	Jon Tangen	Active (1 st year)
Director Umpires	Bill Remick	Active (4 th year)
Concessions, Co-director	Brianna Wydeven Crystal Fong	Active (2 nd year)

Current Board / Committee Members:

Committee	Sitting Committee Chair	Status
Expo / In-house Evaluations	Cara / Tate / Dave / Amanda	Active
Pictures	TBD	
Scheduler	Michelle Fontaine	Brannon Weigel shadow 2020, transition in 2021
Apparel	Cara / Brianna / Matt / Dave	Active
Fundraiser Committee	Pasha / Erica	Active
Travel Committee	Matt/Dave/Eric/Brannon/Jamie	Active
Scholarship Committee	Cara / Tate / Brianna	Active