

Soderville Fastpitch Committee Monthly Meeting Minutes

When: November 5, 2023, at 7:00 pm

Where: Online via Google Meet

Present: James Saulsbury, Nicki Barry, Corryn Anderson, Terry Olson, Randy Lowe, Heather Wright, Jamielynn Sparre, Matt Herrmann, Liz Moore (7.30pm), Nate Greene (8:03pm)

This meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by James Saulsbury.

Public Forum:

None

Old Business:

None

New Business

Operations Manager:

- Annual Fastpitch Meeting - December
- Re-election - (Director, Assistant Director, and Treasurer) to be done at the Annual Meeting in December; 3 open positions (Randy Lowe interested, possibly Matt Herrmann).
- Playing up requirement - Corryn - In tryout information regarding playing up, If you are in the top 8 and you want to play out, you can. If a player wants to play 12U then the player needs to try out for both levels.

MOTION: If a player wants to play up, would have to try out at both the current level and the waive-up level. Players must pay fees associated with tryout - passed

Tryouts at the end of the summer season. Two fees - fall and summer ball at the same time. Summer ball option to split into 3 payments. How will we create fall ball teams? Not all kids play fall and summer. Tentative tryout dates: July 29th/July 30th, 2024

Fall ball - will need further discussion, ***add to agenda for next meeting***

Heather - Coach mindset based on 10U vs 12U, some bias.

- Coach picks 2 vs 4 - 2024 Tryouts - team formation based on tryouts, CURRENT - top 8 at each level go to the top team for level. Corryn - CHANGE to top 10 to top team then 2 coach picks. (highest-level players).

Jamielynn why change now?

Heather - when building teams who can fill a missing position (ie 3rd base, shortstop)

Terry- involved in team selection - had teams picked, but then it changed over the next few days. 4 coach picks is a lot.

MOTION by Jamielynn for 4 coach picks based on tryout number MOTION passed 4-3

- 8U Registration Fees - The fee has not increased in a few years. Evaluate cost analysis for teams and league fees. League fees cover umpires and medals. Outside SBAA teams in the 8U league (11). **Table until next meeting.**

Traveling Fastpitch Director Report - James Saulsbury:

- Current Balance - \$56,247
 - Big West Director Meeting
 - Scoring App/Communication Tool
 - Player Cards with Green Check Mark
 - Intentional Walk
 - Competition Committee - team levels
 - Discussion about B1 and B2
 - Flexball - Jamielynn - consistent throughout the process, player profiles; Terry - Moose are part of SBAA, willing to help out with tryouts, don't feel they are trying to steal our player, a lot of money to spend, check with HS **Table to next meeting**
 - Offseason Training
 - Complete Game - waiting for dates from Matt (Friday nights)
 - Pitching/Catching - pitching numbers 12U and up are low; Heather - possibly set up pitching clinics with older girls instructing in the gyms. 6 sessions
- Jamielynn - includes pitcher/catcher outside of practice during the season as well. Email sent to Marvin at AH schools about gym spaces.

- 2024 HS Teams - specifically travel and league games; Heather - too far distances to drive during the week (A level). Option - just scrimmages and tourneys.

James to reach out to Tom or Dan about the HS schedule.

- Overall Board positions - FP lost two
- Coaching expectations - better direction and recommendations to new coaches
- Field dragging 17 weeks, 4 days/week (M - TH, 68 days, 2.5 hours/day, 170 hours, \$11/hour, \$1,870; anybody know someone?

Increase pay to \$15/hr for 3.5 hours/day

Terry - Baseball dragging 4 fields for 3 hours, estimate may be a little low, \$15/hr

- Bases/Rubbers - James to remove tomorrow and inventory for replacements
- Treasure Position - Heather stepping down. Motion for Nicki taking on treasurer position - passed.

Assistant Traveling Fastpitch Director Report - Jamielynn Sparre: Dome ball 16 teams signed up. Only 1 Soderville team signed up. Corryn to send out an email to all 10U Players.
Treasurer - Heather Wright: Nothing to report.

Equipment Coordinator Report - Randy Lowe: Nothing to report.

Uniforms & Apparel - Jamielynn Sparre: Jerseys not changing, no cost increase.

Fastpitch Secretary - Nicki Barry: Nothing to report.

Committee At Large - Nate Greene: Nothing to report.

Committee At Large - Stephanie Wallschlaeger: Not present

Committee At Large - Terry Olson: Nothing to report.

Committee At Large - Julie Cooley: Not present

Committee At Large - Liz Jabs: Nothing to report.

Next meeting is December 3rd, 2023 at 7 pm via Google Meet.