

CBA Meeting Minutes 6/15/20

Attendees: Jamie Fontaine, Dan Jochum, Matt Breyer, Bill Remick, Cara Hoye, Brad Keenan, Tate Brandt, David Verduzco, Ericka Waterman, Bre, Crystal, Brannon Weigel

Acceptance of May Meeting Minutes: Bill Remick made a motion to approve minutes. 2nd by Matt Breyer. Motion passed unanimously.

Roundtable:

Tate Brandt gave an update and said he has been busy going through finances and getting checks back from cancelled tournaments. David is going to send Tate a spreadsheet of the tournaments that have been cancelled. Financials are looking good. Checking balance is \$94,000 or so. Tate has sent out the refund checks for the Chaska Classic. Tate was able to connect with our accountant for tax purposes and is working to get the accountant information by July 15th. Tate is going to ask accountant how long we need to keep old records. We have records going back to 1990.

Cara and Bre – update on registration, uniforms and apparel. Still getting requests for players to join after the registration has closed. Breyer has an apparel package for players with shorts, shirt and water bottle. We could do a 1 week online registration to get the sizes everyone needs. People are asking Cara when they will get a refund. Jamie talked about how refunds might work. Tryout fee wouldn't be refunded. Breyer noted we talked about keeping \$50 per player for travel players. The \$50 per travel player is for unrecoverable costs such as facility rental. The refund would be minus a \$35 tryout fee, \$50 unrecoverable costs for facilities, and \$75 if the player registered for development league. Jamie noted that Ericka suggested having an option to donate the money they would be refunded if they would like to donate. The easiest way to handle this is to give the ability to donate zero, 50% or 100% of what they would be refunded. We could also note what the benefit to donate is and what the money might go for. Field improvements, investments in new equipment, etc. David asked how do we get kids registered for developmental league that hadn't previously registered? We can set up a registration through sports Engine. Bre and Cara will set up this registration through sports Engine.

Webmaster Update: Brannon is getting a lot of requests through the Website on refund requests. There are two more kids interested in getting into the program. Jamie will get these players added and send out updated rosters. After things settle down, Jamie and Michelle will walk Brannon through the Diamond Scheduler program.

Concessions: No update. Not planning on doing concessions this year. We haven't heard anything from the Cubs about assisting with concessions. There are lots of things in flux with the amateur baseball season. At this point no concessions are allowed at amateur games but that could change.

Player Development: No update for Player Development but Eric was instrumental in putting out development league together and working on the policies for play.

Travel League: Metro Baseball? Is looking to do some type of season. Gopher State League is doing the same thing. Matt is hopeful we will get in a fair amount of games without having to register for an official league. Breyer asked Bill about umpires, will we be able to have umpires through Bill? Bill thinks he could round up a dozen kids on short notice to umpire some games. Each team can bring \$25 to get an umpire paid. Bill said he is going to recommend that anybody that is going to umpire should invest in their own gear. If they ump so many games they can get a stipend to pay for their equipment. Jamie noted there may be an option to order gear through our website at a discount for kids to get umping gear. We also have a substantial credit at Play It Again Sports that we can use to buy umpire gear. Matt also noted we need to get things in motion for fall tryouts for next year. Matt also wanted it be known that he appreciated all of the hard work everyone has been putting in to get the season going. The Board worked hard to put the developmental league in place and several other associations reached out to do something similar to our idea.

Social Media: No update.

Equipment: Each team has two sets of catchers equipment. Tate also handed out hand sanitizer for the teams. The equipment has been moved. It was a lot of work but thanks to Brad and Sam and the other helpers for getting things organized and moved over to Acorn Mini storage.

Grounds: No Update. If we play games we will have to have a discussion about getting fields chalked and ready to go.

Fundraising: Ericka would love to plan some fundraising once we are allowed to gather a larger group again. We are on a wait and see approach until things open up. Jamie noted that we should set up a sub committee to work on fundraising associated with the Chaska Cubs hosting the State Tournament.

Picture: No pictures this year. If individual teams want to organize pictures themselves they can do that.

Coaches Screening: Jamie doesn't want to lose sight of this important initiative. Jamie will send a list of the coaches to Cara and she will see who is already approved and who needs to be approved. We still need a coach for a 10 year old purple. Breyer will reach out to one person he knows on the team and David may send out a note to all parents stressing the need for a coach.

Jamie thanked everyone for their hard work and wished everyone a great baseball season.