

# Greenville Youth Sports

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

## March Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting date and time: 3/9/2022 at 7:00 PM | Meeting location: Greenville Village Hall

### Roll Call (14) - PRESENT

Lori Donaldson (President)

Brittany Jack (VP)

Amanda DeHaai (Treasurer)

Pat Wetzel (Secretary)

Eric Barth (IT Coordinator/Machine Pitch Commissioner)

Sonja Jeter (Sponsorship Coordinator)

Nick Steudel (Equipment Coordinator)

Bonnie Gremore (Fundraising Coordinator)

Greg Reimann (Registration Coordinator)

Andy Garr (Peewee & T-Ball League Commissioner)

Ryan Krause (Major League Commissioner)

Mark Lund (Girls Tournament Team Coordinator and Softball Tournament Coordinator)

Aaron Lehmkuhl (Minor League Commissioner)

OPEN (Website Coordinator)

OPEN (Coach Pitch Commissioner)

Doug Schacht (Junior League Commissioner)

Nicole Eidahl (Senior League Commissioner)

OPEN (Umpire Coordinator)

OPEN (Diamond Scheduler)

OPEN (Volunteer Coordinator)

Also Present: Megan Meyer, Nicole Sommer and Andy Plamann

Meeting called to order at 7:01p.m.

### BOARD MEETING

- **MEMBER COMMENTS:** Megan Meyer expressed interest in Website Coordinator position, Andy Plamann expressed interest in Coach Pitch League Commissioner and Nicole Sommer expressed interest in Diamond Scheduler position on GYS board.
- **RECOGNITIONS:** G. Reimann recognized Andy Garr, Eric Barth and Pat Wetzel for work with 7u/8u open gyms to assist players to prepare for March tryouts for tournament teams.
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
  - G. Reimann motioned to approve the February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9th meeting minutes as presented
  - A.DeHaai seconded motion. February 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9th meeting minutes approved as presented.

### BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENTS

#### Diamond Scheduler Appointment:

P. Wetzel motioned to approve Nicole Sommer as GYS Diamond Scheduler.

R. Krause seconded motion. Motion approved for Nicole Sommer as Diamond Scheduler.

**Website Coordinator Appointment:**

A. DeHaai motioned to approve Megan Meyer as GYS Website Coordinator.

A. Garr seconded motion. Motion approved for Megan Meyer as Website Coordinator.

**Coach Pitch League Commissioner Appointment:**

N. Eidahl motioned to approve Andy Plamann as Coach Pitch League Commissioner.

G. Reimann seconded motion. Motion approved on Andy Plamann -Coach Pitch Commissioner.

**REPORTS**

- **President's Update – Lori Donaldson**
  - GYS Golf Outing info advertised/website, early bird registration available
  - Photographer is set for Opening Day in Greenville
  - Provided update on Greenville Parks Commission meeting and discussion on status of potential park improvements – Community Park, Lions Park, Field of Dreams
- **Vice President's Report – Brittany Jack**
  - Update on concession stand preparations and dumpsters needed for GYS events
- **Treasurer Report - Amanda DeHaai**
  - Update on financials, GYS liquor license applied for through Village, insurance and bartender licenses (upon anticipated approval of liquor license).
- **Registration Report – Greg Reimann**
  - Provided updated registration numbers. League registration open until March 13<sup>th</sup> for leagues above T-Ball.
- **Sponsorship Coordinator Report**
  - Provided update on sponsor list, stressed importance of mid March registrations, team assignments and sponsor allocations to provide enough time for shirt/hat orders to be placed and delivered in time for April 9<sup>th</sup> Scheels Day distribution. Need to review for plaques for sponsors with photographer not having them available for 2021 season recognitions.
- **Fundraising Coordinator Report**
  - Bonnie excused from meeting. Raffle calendars have been out for distribution.

- **Equipment Coordinator Update**

- Provided update on inventory review. Proposed quote for replacement of portable backstop on Diamond A from Play It Again Sports for approx \$3,300
  - A. DeHaai made motion to approve replacement of Diamond A backstop from Play it Again Sports in the amount of \$3,500 to cover project.
  - B. Jack seconded the motion. Motion approved to order new backstop for Diamond A from Play It Again Sports in the amount of \$3,500.

- **League Commissioner Reports**

- **PeeWee/TeeBall – *Andy Garr***
  - Reviewed registration numbers, with registration open til late March. Recruiting coaches, working with J&B Trophy on participant medals.
- **Coach Pitch – *Andy Plamann***
  - Newly appointed to position at this meeting.
- **Machine Pitch – *Eric Barth***
  - Recruiting coaches, worked on league rule revisions.
- **Junior League – *Doug Schacht***
  - Reviewed registrations, need/recruiting coaches, discussed player distributions with multiple new/additional teams for league this season
- **Senior – *Nicole Eidahl***
  - Anticipates 5-6 teams, need/recruiting coaches
- **Minor League – *Aaron Lehmkuhl***
  - Reviewed registrations, recruiting coaches, player distribution draft
- **Major League – *Ryan Krause***
  - Reviewed registrations, working with coaches.
- **Softball Tournament Teams – *Mark Lund***
  - Mark excused from meeting but provided email update on PBFP committee and scrimmages/events.
- **Baseball Tournament Teams – *Committee/Lori Donaldson***
  - New committee met for first time in early March, good meeting. Focusing on 7u/8u tryouts in mid March as new committee rolled out for future.
  - Will review potential for GYS Board meeting on Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup> – 6pm, after 7u/8u tryouts, if needed.

## **OLD BUSINESS/Discussion/Voting Items**

- Grounds Crew Lead Position for 2022
  - Pay rates for lead and student workers
  - B. Jack made motion to approve pay rate up to \$20/hr for Grounds Crew Lead Position in 2022. A. Garr seconded the motion. Motion approved.
  - Will leave student pay rate at \$10/hour this season
- New Scoreboard Controllers Update
  - Will bring new controllers for review at April board meeting. Will coordinate and check in on scoreboard panels with vendor when in-person at park
- Boys Tournament Team Coordinator Committee
  - Report only, no action. 7u/8u tryouts scheduled for Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup>.

## **NEW BUSINESS/Discussion/Voting Items**

- Tournament Topics
  - Update and Consideration on Hosted Baseball Tournaments
    - Reviewed registrations for Greenville 7u and 11u home tourneys
    - A. DeHaai made motion to cancel 7u Greenville tournament for 2022 due to low registrations. R. Krause seconded the motion. Motion approved to cancel 2022 7u Greenville baseball tournament
    - 11u tournament registrations were reviewed, discussed keeping tournament on schedule with at least 4 teams currently registered.
  - Identify leads/points of contact for Greenville hosted baseball tournaments
    - June 3-5 – Lehmkuhl, DeHaai, Jack
    - June 10-12 – Steudel, Donaldson, Barth
    - June 24-26 - Krause
  - Consideration to Set 7u tournament player fees at \$50.00, 8u at \$75.00
    - A. DeHaai made motion to set 7u/8u tournament player fees at \$50.00 (7u) & \$75.00 (8u). A. Lehmkuhl seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- Sponsorship Topics
  - Reviewed sponsors/wait list, deadlines for setting teams and ordering uniform shirts (March 15<sup>th</sup> target)
  - Reviewed Scheels Days for April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup>, need GYS board volunteers
  - League Baseball Hats for boys, Consider replacing headbands for girls
    - A. Garr made motion to pursue visors for league softball girls this year to replace GYS headbands. S. Jeter seconded the motion. Motion approved.

- Park/Concession Needs for Upcoming Season
  - Concession Worker Pay Rates
    - Lead Worker: R. Krause made motion to approve parameters for pay rate increase for Concession Lead. N. Sommer seconded the motion. Motion approved.
      - *\*Brooke agreed to 2022 pay rate for lead position at \$15 per hour, up from \$13 in 2021*
    - Concession Workers at least 18 years old: N. Sommer made motion to approve increase to pay rate for concession workers at least 18 years of age from \$11/hr (2021) to set at \$12/hr in 2022. R. Krause seconded motion. Motion approved.
    - Concession Workers under 18 years old: N. Sommer made motion to approve increase to pay rate for concession workers under 18 years of age from \$8/hr (2021) to set at \$9/hr in 2022. A. DeHaai seconded the motion. Motion approved.
  - Consider New Door Locks for Community Park – Up to \$100/door
    - R. Krause made motion to approve replacement of door locks at Community Park – GYS concessions/storage – up to \$100/door. G. Reimann seconded the motion. Motion approved.
  - Consider Fence and Dugout Work Quotes for Diamonds C and D
    - Discussed fence/dugout work for both Diamonds C and D.
    - N. Eidahl made motion to approve quote from Security Fence for Diamond D upgrades in the amount of \$3,400. A. Garr seconded the motion. Motion approved.
    - It was determined not to pursue Diamond C upgrade this season.
- Consider Sponsorship for ChipStrong Golf Outing Event
  - N. Eidahl made motion to approve Silver Level Sponsorship for ChipStrong Golf Outing at \$250. N. Steudel seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- Apparel – Fox Cities Embroidery Store(s) for Board Members/Coaches/Calendar Rewards
  - Reviewed proposed clothing, discussed board member allowance, \$80 per board member every three years
- Discussion on League Softball Policies for Age Cut Offs/Deadlines
  - Reviewed communication from Jess Krowiorz related to giving considering for allowing an option, not a mandate, but an option for certain softball tournament level athletes to consider moving from Coach Pitch league to Junior League with conditions. The reason for the request was outlined that softball league eligibility is school-grade level based, while tournament softball eligibility is age based.
  - Discussion was held by board on the communication and request. It was highlighted that as softball league is a joint effort with GYS/HYS, that changes would be communicated with HYS, with their support needed.

- D. Schacht made motion to recommend approval of proposal to provide option for softball athletes to be allowed to register/play in Junior League in lieu of Coach Pitch League with the following conditions: *1. The player has previously completed a season of Coach Pitch League, 2. The player is on an 8u PBFP tournament team for a second season (that the player was also in 8u PBFP last season)*. A. Plamann seconded the motion. Motion was approved.
- GYS League Baseball Rules – Review & Consider Machine Pitch League Rule Updates
  - Reviewed proposed revisions to Machine Pitch Rules, as recommended by Commissioner E. Barth. Discussion on revisions, with special attention to #22, removing first line, and also replacing reference to “original base” with new term of “last base.”
  - G. Reimann made motion to approve revised Machine Pitch Baseball League Rules. A. Garr seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- GYS Policies and Procedures
  - Reviewed February comments/revisions to GYS Policies and Procedures document for 2022 adoption.
  - D. Schacht made motion to approve 2022 GYS Policies and Procedures. A. Plamann seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- Tournament Baseball Policies and Procedures
  - Reviewed February comments/revisions to tournament baseball policies and procedures. No action taken at this meeting. Will anticipate action to be taken prior to 7u/8u team selections.
- Open positions:
  - Volunteer Coordinator\*
  - Umpire Coordinator\*

*\*Critical positions that need to be fulfilled prior to season start*

N. Steudel made motion to adjourn, second by A. DeHaai. Meeting adjourned at 10:22pm

**NEXT MEETING:**

- Wednesday April 6th, 7:00pm – Location – Greenville Village Hall