**SWPLL Board Meeting**

Monday April 25, 7pm

Location: via Zoom

**Attendees:**

1. Jake Hammer, President
2. Kate Prentice, Secretary
3. Peter Gilchrist, VP Majors Baseball
4. Amanda Burnham, Treasurer
5. Josh Toperosky, Uniform Coordinator
6. Steve Black, Fall Ball Coordinator
7. Angela Corman, Communications Officer and Registrar
8. Dan Webert, VP AA Baseball
9. Huntley Morrison, Coach Coordinator
10. Ted Cerwonka, Field Scheduling
11. Aaron Howard, VP Softball – Lower Levels
12. Joby Easton
13. Graham Sterling, Sponsorship Coordinator
14. Chris Harry, Umpire in Chief
15. Galina Nisley, Umpire Scheduling Coordinator
16. Kirsten Carr
17. Sarah Battaglini, Safety Officer
18. Jamie Mitchell, Baseball Player Agent
19. Beth Mitchell, VP Softball – Upper Levels & Softball Player Agent

**Meeting Agenda:**

1. Call to Order – Jake called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.  
   
2. Review and approval of March 2021 minutes

**Joby Easton moved to approve the March 2021 minutes as recorded. Peter Gilchrist seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.******

1. District 4 Update (Jake)
   1. 8 to 10 All Stars – need to consider if we will participate. All other leagues except Tillamook will be participating. Generally, no one had strong feelings. SWPLL will likely provide a team
   2. 12+ All Stars will be going forward
   3. 9-11 All stars – will not forecast for a team, will focus on the other two levels
   4. Post Season Coordinator will be needed – two parts to the role (1) ensure the All-Star paperwork is in order and (2) VP of the post season.
   5. Softball Majors – only has 14 girls this year so All Stars may not be able to field a team unless most girls want to play. SWPLL has combined with Lincoln to create a team and Beth / Aaron to explore this option again.
2. Fields Update
   1. Not much to report – rainouts this past weekend. There is flexibility with fields to reschedule as needed and have not had much feedback.
   2. Discussion of contractual agreement to put a port-a-potty at SJF – cost is $110 per week. Discussion of moving teams to other fields because there are only two T-ball teams practicing there. Noted also that equipment from other fields is being moved to SJF which means lack of equipment at other locations. At other fields, Portland Parks & Rec should be providing the facilities. Amanda Burnham is working on pushing Portland Parks & Rec. Also discussed working with Hayhurst to remove the goal post in the middle of outfield [Aaron Howard needs assistance in getting a response].
3. Treasurer Report
   1. Report sent as of end of March is attached as provided to the board via email.



* 1. Amanda reminded the board members to submit receipts for reimbursement of expenses [check request form attached for reference].  
     

1. Registration Update
   1. Numbers at the various levels: 545 kids total [down at the upper levels which we expected]
      1. T-Ball – 111
      2. Baseball A – 77
      3. Softball Launch League – 45
      4. Baseball AA – 93
      5. Girls Softball AAA, Majors, Juniors – 52
      6. 50/70 – 33
      7. Baseball AAA, Majors – 134
   2. Angela Corman is still looking for a replacement and noted that Communications and Registrar could be split into two roles.
2. Uniforms
   1. This year has been confusing – between assigning teams colors (vs a team) and re-using the hats to coordinate with teams.
   2. Josh Toperosky is exploring different options than Gear Up for future.
3. Fields Maintenance Update
   1. Any concerns with fields? Peter Gilchrist and Brandon Prentice discussed that Markham Major needs to be mowed in the outfield.
   2. Josh Toperoksy asked if it was worth to pay someone to pay to mow the lawns regularly. We have the financial means and it would solve the challenges.
   3. Positive feedback for the work Carl Burnham is doing to the fields.
   4. Reminder to not chalking the fields for practice – we are out of chalk and it was purchased for the year. VPs should also remind the managers about locking the boxes and to keep equipment in good shape for the entire season.
4. Safety
   1. Sarah Battaglini reported about developing a written process around COVID safety and documenting any incidents to keep records. The board agreed it was good practice to keep records.
   2. Jake Hammer asked if there’s been a safety reports been turned in? Sarah Batteglini advised nothing has been reported.
   3. Peter Gilchrist asked what the definition of injury was – Jake Hammer advised if the child needed to seek medical attention outside of the coach.
5. Equipment Issues?
   1. New portable mound being delivered to Markham 3 field.
   2. No one had concerns or requests to report.
6. Player’s Agent - Nothing to report – off to a good start at this point in the season.
7. Coaches Coordinator Update – none except to note that Huntley Morrison will be cancelling the clinic tomorrow to allow make up games to occur.
8. Other VP Reports (as needed)
   1. VP Upper Levels Softball – Beth Mitchell – needs a tee for the Juniors team but otherwise in a good spot.
   2. VP Lower Levels Softball – Aaron Howard – nothing additional to report.
   3. Majors Baseball – Peter Gilchrist
      1. Gates on fields request ($500) – Peter will reach out to Amanda Burnham
      2. Markham will be short on umpires this coming weekend. Chris Harry is working on the issue due to the rescheduled games.
      3. Evaluations – wants to work on improving for next year. Wants to do year end evaluation of their own players to gather additional information on the players – to gather intel.
      4. 50-70 – has one team in lieu of two teams.
      5. Discussion of game cancellation – time necessary to notify the umpires? At least an hour in advance.
   4. AAA – David Hillesland – not present and no questions for AAA.
   5. AA – Dan Webert – nothing to report. Kids are having a good time. Noted they are receiving notice to report pitch counts and games scores. Angela will turn it off – pitch counts are “on your honor” record keeping and not formally required to be posted at this level.
   6. A - Todd Mustard – not present and no questions for A Baseball.
   7. T-ball – Carl Burnham – not present and no questions for T-ball. Noted that the parents at this level need a lot of guidance.
   8. Fall Ball Coordination – Steve Black – no updates to report
   9. Sponsorship Coordinator – Graham Sterling – parents actively reaching out to businesses and to local businesses to help support the league.
   10. Umpire in Chief – Chris Harry – nothing to report beyond what was previously discussed.
9. Post Season Coordinator reminder – need to find someone to handle this role soon.
10. Q&A
    1. Post season tournament – need to be decided
    2. Closing day event – may not work this year due to COVID but could do a drive by parade potentially. Will need someone to coordinate.
    3. Pictures – decided each team can handle.
11. Adjournment of the meeting by Jake Hammer at 8:01 PM

*Next Board Meeting: Sunday May 23, 2021 at 7 PM via ZOOM*