Jan. 16th, 2025

6:00 PM via Zoom

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| President- Brandy O | Treasurer – Brandon L | Secretary - Laura A |
| Local Director – Brandy O | Admin Director – Matt K | Sponsor/PR - Wendy B |
| Softball Director- Vacant | Field Coordinator - Tim Pearl | Umpire Coordinator – Vacant |
| Equipment Coordinator- Robbie Adler | Travel Director- Kyle K |  |

Old Business

* Approve Nov/Dec Minutes- approved
* Budget Report- Brandon
  + Current balance –$11, 287.19
  + Outstanding- $783.26
  + Outstanding TT- $500
  + $700 matching fund check- need to get to Brandon
  + 120-160 for po box (Brandon to follow up with exact amount)
  + Insurance was due as well
    - Pony’s fees, regional fees still need to be paid

New Business

* Turk Travel Update:
  + Status of 12U team as of 1/9
    - * 12U- Zach. Update from Kyle
      * 4 more installment payments for players )
      * Fields are looking good.
      * Look into using games changer vs TeamSnap (follow up next meeting)
        + Each travel team will play at least 6 tournaments
        + Starting earliest of march
    - Brainstorming Turk Travel team
      * Wendy suggest we send out an anon. survey for feedback
      * Stronger coaches
        + Better trained
      * Stronger players
* Local Update
  + DAWGS/Maltby Update
    - A lot of discussion w/ Tony. General consensus is they will stay under DAWGS umbrella. There may be some dual roster players between Sultan/Dawgs but priority is given to Sultan teams
    - Had a zoom meeting w/ Maltby board. Concerns were discussed. They want to continue their relationship with us. Some concerns over Dawgs (select vs rec). Concerns over travel to Sultan and reliability of umpiring. May pool umpiring resources w/them. It appears they are going to schedule us just like one of their teams. We are trying to secure some fields in Monroe to ease field availability restrictions.
    - From an umpire perspective Matt is going to attempt to schedule our best when playing Maltby or Umpires NW. It’s also possible we will be able to use Maltby umpires for home games.
  + Pre-Season Coaches Meeting:
    - We have done this in coach Skeith’s room in the past. Brandy- do you want to email Coach Leverett & Coach Skeith about doing this again?
    - Would be nice to do **3/3-3-7**. Matt will be out of state (available 3/3 if it works for coaches). Coach Leverett usually gives a little pep talk.
    - We talk with coaches about rules/schedule and process for communication between the board and coaches.
    - Coaches collect gear. Usually Robbie meets them at the locker after the meeting.
    - 6:30 start time?
  + Coaches
    - Training/meeting
      * Brandy will work with the high school coaches.
        + Will outsource to college level players, minor leagues
        + Proposed a baseball camp ran by the high school

Possible donation $200 for each camp ran

We want our leagues to streamline into the high school but we need more involvement at that high school level

* + - Update on Background Checks? Laura
      * T-Ball: HC Jessica Williams
      * Machine: HC Chris Nelson
      * Farm: HC Tim Pearl
      * Mustang: HC Bobby Hood
      * Bronco: HC Derek Kryger
      * Pony: HC Matt Koehler, Asst Jesse Hackmann
    - Need surveys complete for anyone wanting to coach. <https://forms.office.com/r/Qju5ZeJMnP>
    - Updates on Background Checks
      * Cleared as of Jan 15
      * Jessica Williams
      * Chris Nelson
      * Tim Pearl
      * Bobby Hood
      * Derek Kryger
      * Matt Koehler
      * Jesse Hackmann
      * Albert Talley
  + Evals- Proposal by Matt
    - 2/15 & 2/23 from 9am-12pm (Matt will likely not be available on 2/15)
    - Discussion on 1/16 was to have 2 sessions. The 1st is t-ball/machine and open to kids that weren’t evaluated last year and any kids who want to try for a higher level. The 2nd level is designed for farm/mustang level to see which is the right level for them. We would like all the 8-10 year olds to show up.
    - 9am- 11-14 year olds (All invited. Figure out Bronco/Pony)
    - 10am- 8-10 year olds (Figure out Mustang/Farm/Machine. All Invited)
    - 11am- 5-7 year olds (who we don’t have an eval from last year)

Registration update as of 1/16

* 19 dawgs
* Tball- open
  + Goal is to have 4 teams
* Machine- open
  + Goal is to have 4 teams
* Farm-5 more kids to have 3 teams
* Mustang- waitlist
  + Moving up 10 year olds from farm
* Bronco- 1 opening
* Pony- cap

Registration update as of 1/21

* + - 135 players registered (29 Dawgs)
    - Last year we had 149 registrations on 1/16/24
    - Division Estimates as of 1/21:
      * T-BAll (24) - Enough for 3 teams (Need 24-32 for 4 teams)
      * Machine (22)- Enough for 3 teams (Need 24-32 for 4 teams)
      * Farm (20) - need 30 for 3 teams \*Dawgs have 10 and will have a team
      * Mustang (12) - Max of 13
      * Bronco (11) Max of 13
      * Pony (16) up to 18
* Field/Equipment Updates
  + Reese Park- 2nd field.
    - Nothing new as of a couple weeks ago. 2nd field may not be a need this year anyways
    - Matt talked to Ben. They plan on extending at least the 1B fence line at Reese. He plans to have IF ready on 2nd field by the time we start and hopefully fences extended. The city also got a grant to do new backstops at Reese but that will probably be a summer project. Matt asked if there will be an additional cost for renting the 2nd field and Ben was going to check with his team. Matt told him we are looking at a 10-20% drop in registrations and are looking for ways to cut costs. We could make it work not using the 2nd field or SES but would be that means one division (likely machine) would have to share the field on Fri nights.
  + Start-up
    - How is it looking?
    - the plan is to use this for machine and t-ball.
  + Plan for getting gear to fields?
* Fundraising/Sponsorships
  + - Update from Wendy on Sponsorships
    - Fundraising Plans?
      * Popcorn Fundraiser (raise cost or change size of bag)
    - Spirit Wear Plans?
    - Jamboree?
      * Do earlier. Have pics same day. Make a community event to showcase SYB. Maybe tag team with a HS baseball game? Maybe a double header?
      * Days that would work with SHS games:
        + 4/19 12pm baseball & softball game
      * Other Thoughts?
* Feb Meeting: (What Needs to be done?)
  + - Facility Use Plans- Matt
    - Coaches List- Brandy & Matt
    - Plan for evals

Calendar

* Open Registration- Nov. 1st, 2024
* Evaluations Feb. 15th (all) & Feb. 23rd (Make-ups)
* Draft on March 1st online at 7:30pm?
* Practices begin on March 10th.
* Meeting Schedule – 1st Wed of each month @ 6:00 pm
* Next Meeting: Week of 2/10?
* Meeting Adjourned @