

SYBA MINUTES MEETING

November 21st, 2021

The Legion 6:45 pm

Attendees: Brad Menden
Jeff Schmitz
Eric Schroeder
Allen Larson
Sean LaCoste
Aaron Olson
Mike Hanson
Alex Jordan
Rod Hicks
Chad Stensrud

Not in Attendance:

Chad Stensrud
Nick Von Bokern
Tom Schleper

Approve Previous Meeting Minutes:

The previous meeting minutes were approved

Financial Review:

Allen Larson did the financial review. There were 2 statements this meeting due to timing. The first was Mid Sept – Mid Oct and the 2nd was Mid-Oct – Mid Nov. We took in \$4,600 from hosting the Mash Turney, some of those funds were paid out, with \$2,000 being held for field improvements. We took in \$589 dollars from pull tabs donation from the Shakopee Bowl, and also transferred \$1,829.27 was utilized for field improvements ranging from fixing the Green Meadow field fence, as well as fixing the Sweeney Field Fence, and also replacing Saber Logos on scoreboards that have faded. The 2022 Legion Turney was paid in the amount of \$795. There was an \$1,704 spend on Jackson Township Field Scoreboard for electronics (light replacement on the scoreboard lights). As well as dugout chairs for West Tahpah and dugout hooks at Westminster. This leaves \$62,408.22 as a balance, with \$5,401.81 projected spends in the coming months. This would leave our balance right around \$17,000 and this is the amount that we feel comfortable staying at and not going below.

2022 Shakopee Tournament Dates

Allen Larson discussed our options to do the normal weekend which is the 2nd weekend in June. There is a potential problem being that it is graduation week and with Tom Schleper being the tournament director and having his son graduating he would have limited availability for the weekend. There was a suggestion to move to two weekend June 10th-12th and then also June 24th-26th. The concern raise was that 2 weekends might be troublesome due to scheduling and also due to teams signing up potentially. Ultimately the board vote unanimously to keep the tournament on the usual weekend of June 10th-12th. Also Brad Mendon volunteered to help be a tournament director with Tom having limited availability. Brad was going to contact the Shakopee Softball Association about utilizing the Neil Johnson Complex again this year. There was discussion regarding dibs hours and the check amount that is being required. \$300 check feels like it might not be enough to discourage families to forgo their dibs hours. The suggestion was to raise that amount to \$500 and the board voted unanimously to raise the Dibs check from \$300 to \$500.

2022 Fees

Brad Menden listened to the City Board meeting regarding the fees the city is charging for all outdoor activities on city fields next year, and that amount is \$0. School fields will still be charging by the hour. With this in mind the conversation moved to what should we do about the fees that are currently being charged to cover the city payment we were making. The forecast from Allen on field cost was \$2.50 for mites and up to \$8 for community league, older kids, and traveling. The suggestion was to lower the fees on mites/community league/older kids but keep the same for traveling teams and utilize the additional dollars for either field maintenance, or adding a 2nd umpire for games.

In addition there was a conversation had about moving the mini mites from Red Oak to a different set of fields, potentially Pierson or Tapah. Rod Hicks will contact Sherry for options.

The City will no longer do the red folder, so we may incur some printing costs associated with the annual flyer. The final flyer will be sent out in late December or early January as Eric Schroeder/Allen and Tom are finalizing.

Miracle League Field

Brad and Allen met with the Lions. The Lions are confident they could get a "Miracle Field." The Lions would pay to build and then donate to the city as a normal city field. They are not looking for any money to help build, but they are looking for someone to run it (scheduling etc). Location would be Lions Park. Rod suggestion would be to roll it under the in-house program and also contact the Softball Association for a potential partnership. The board approved unanimously to contact the softball association and also continue the conversations with Lions as there is interest in seeing this come to fruition

SYBA Website

Alex Jordan walked thru the questions he had previously provided the board before the meeting (email questions are attached at the bottom of the meeting minutes).

Decision on the questions are below:

1. Yes
2. Yes
3. Yes
4. Remove
5. 3 click mini mights into teams
6. Archive
7. Rod suggest putting practice plans but we do have these are the coaches page
8. Calendar we will talk more when major dates are established but want to get as much on
9. Keep Hat History and State Tourny and add a High School page link

Winter Gym Dates/Plans

Allen proposed the winter gym dates and costs on a spreadsheet (attached at the bottom of the minutes)

Discussion on making winter workouts included w/ registration fee and have a plan set for each date. The board will ask Tom to come up w some practice plans. Also Allen is double checking on the Janitor Fees for the workouts

Tournament Co-Director(s) – need to submit tourney(s) by Dec. 1

Brad volunteered to be the Tournament Co-Director

Tahpah West Dugouts/Batting Cage(s)? – need plans/costs for city approved first – are those our next two items?

The next field improvement will be batting cages and dugouts at Tahpah West. Dugouts will be the priority with batting cages to secondary. We will need to get an estimate for both projects. The plan is to get multiple bids and then we will solicit donations from the community. Ideally we would do a double batting cage if possible

MBL Travel Directors meeting recap

Sean LaCoste attended the MBL travel directors meeting and took the board through some of the highlights:

Regular Season Length: Majority voted to drop 2 games leaving 14 regular season games and then playoffs

Pricing: dropping to \$350 for 9-14s and then \$325 for 15s

Tournament Pitching Rule: Starter can re-enter once: Reliever can not re-enter
No longer required to keep both a book or gamechange, can be one or the other
Pool Play for the state tourney and the dates for AAA are July 8th-10th
Bats Change can utilize USA stamp or USSSA stamp

Omaha meeting update

Brad Jeff and Gary were attended

Amy Hudson is taking over as fundraising director for Omaha. The tourney is the weekend after the Shakopee tournament. Hotel block has been established and 2 teams are booked

Des Moines tourney for 10-13's

Last year 7 teams registered to play in the tournament

This year we are doing 4 tourney's per team not including Des Moines which will take place the weekend of April 23rd. Teams will have to opt in and at their own expense pay for Des Moines to be their 5th. Decision will need to be made soon to confirm. The understanding will be that this is not a mandatory tournament

Discussing whether there should be an opt in option during registration

Aaron will ask about Des Moines cancelation policy

There will be no meeting in December due to the Holidays

Next Meeting Date: Sunday January 9th at 6:00pm at The Legion

Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm

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Hello all,

In advance of tonight's meeting, I wanted to send over some questions to get direction on related to the website. Happy to get consensus through email or through discussion at the board meeting tonight.

1. Move Shako Tourney history into the archive section only keeping current year info under the Shako Tourney page?
2. Recommend adjusting team functionality to be consistent across leagues and groups
 - a. Team functionality not used are pictures and videos. Do we disable these for all teams across all leagues?
3. My Role Parent

- a. Do we need to keep Gold Card info?
- b. Do we keep 'What makes a nightmare sports parent and what makes a good one'?

4. Delete or Archive 2020 State Am Tourney?
5. Do we keep 'Practice/Game Fields' page, delete, OR move under Coaches? If we intend to keep it, recommend moving under the *My Role->Coaches* page
6. Should we keep SYBA History on the Home page or move to Archive?

Thanks.

Alex

