

HSSA Board Meeting Agenda

March 2nd 5:30 PM Skyline




Members Present: Noldin, Giesen, Turcotte, Beranek, Besserude, Kalm, B Unzen, R Unzen, Baker, Wargin, Miller, Hanson

Members Absent: Sapp, Niksich, Strapple

Visitors: Tyler Erickson

Meeting Start time: 5:30pm

Reading of Mission Statement: It is the mission of the Hermantown Summer Softball Association to encourage, promote, and teach the game of softball to school age girls living in or around the Hermantown area or attending Hermantown schools. Qualities of sportsmanship, teamwork, honesty, fair play and fun will be the primary focus of the program.

- Review, approve previous minutes
 - Approve February meeting Minutes
 -  February 2nd 2025 Board Meeting Agenda_Meeting Minutes
- Treasurer's Report -Kimberly
 - Statements of Position and Activity
 -  Statement of Financial Position 2.27.28.pdf
 -  Statement of Activity by Class 2.27.28.pdf
 - On the Balance Sheet (statement of financial position), you will see A/R that totals \$7,806.22. This is the installment payments from registration that are owed.
 - The A/P on the Balance Sheet shows \$6,850.00. This consists of \$6,700 in Kwik Trip cards that still need to be purchased. I calculated this amount based on the registration numbers. If this number changes once Niki actually buys the cards, I will adjust that. I wanted to put this in to get a good idea of what we will actually make off the fundraiser, which will be \$10,520.00. The other \$150 is checks that have been written for reimbursements on coaching clinics that have not been cashed.
 - On the P&L Statement (Statement of Activity), it shows a negative number in the HHS Program column. We need to disregard this, and add that number back into the total. This amount has been transferred over from the Savings account to the Checking account, but for record keeping, it shows as a negative.
- Old Business
 - **ACTION:** Insurance - looking for Articles of Incorporation showing a Dissolution Clause
 - HSSA will receive \$1,605.30 from Hermantown Athletics for working the concession stands
 - Michelle Sweeney will work with Alex White to determine how the funds can be used
 - Jersey Update
 - Order Deadline: ACTION
 - Sample sizes available at >>> open gym ACTION
 - Notify PIAS (Brian) that we are switching to navy pants (Done JK)
ACTION: Brian working with Shirts Unlimited for color matching

ACTION: Ask Brian to be at March 16th open gym

- **ACTION:** Connect with Advantage on check status

- Open Gym



- 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. March & April
 - Morning open gym feedback:
 - Low numbers for 10U and 12U - possibly combine levels next season
 - **ACTION:** Board members to sign-up on open gym March/April list
 - **ACTION:** Re-send sign-up sheet out to parents
- *April 13th - Brian from Play it Again to attend with supplies
 - Pants, helmets, gear
- *April 20th - If Brian wants to come this date, it is optional
- *April 27th - Brian from Play it Again to attend with supplies
- 2 p.m. - 8 p.m. May

- Toro, 3-wheeler purchase (From Ryan Pannhoff at Toro 630-742-9058)

- **3040:** \$15,000–\$20,000
- **5040:** \$18,000–\$25,000
- Communicated to High School and City for joint venture financing

- Fundraising -Nikki Strapple

- Kwik Trip
 - Almost even split of Buyout vs Selling Cards (82/79 girls)
 - Deadline for the incentive program is Monday, March 10.
 - Money and # of additional cards will be collected
 - Will order total # of cards after that.
 - Distribution of all cards (incentive and regular 5 per family will be distributed the week of March 16.
- CN families - there are 4 - possible donation money from this
- Tournament Team Fundraisers
 - Possibly Spring (Easter time) fundraiser - our goal is to break even on cost of tournaments & registration
 - Text / website link to donate
 - Calendar day sponsorship
 - Is this something we would like to do to raise \$\$ for travel teams?
 - Will set up a meeting with Jason - anyone else who would like to help spearhead this in the next 2 weeks (I am out of town next week)
- Banners / sponsorship letters
 - Will start sending these out mid-March
 - From registration there are 6 families that have stated Yes for interest in purchasing banners for fields
 - 8 banners requested so far

- Tournament of Roses Sponsors
 - From registration - 4 confirmed families would like to be sponsors for TOR
- New Business
 - 2025 Field Schedule (Ahna)
 - Travel Coaches schedule (Jason)
 - Highschool blocks
 - Crossbar (Jordan)
 -  WithCrossbar_.pdf
 - Benefits to using Crossbar: volunteer management system, birthdate updates each year, user friendly
 - Registration Manager highly recommends updating the platform from SportsEngine to Crossbar
 - \$995/year to use Crossbar
 - \$79/month to use SportsEngine & \$82/month to use Crossbar but includes platforms included that SE would charge extra to utilize
 - Motion to transition from SE to Crossbar, with payment plan, data retention plan - motioned by Besserude, seconded by Noldin - motion approved
 - Tim Haberman 612-464-4831 tim.haberman@crossbar.org
 - 2025 registration
 -  2025 HSSA Registrations
 - **ACTION:** Have coaches assigned for 10, 12, 14, 16/18U
 - Arrowhead Coaches Meeting: 3/23 - 5:00 for 8/10/12U, 6:00 for 14/16/18U
 - **ACTION:** Determine teams within week to have registered with Arrowhead
 - Have coaches, shirt sizes, and teams by Friday, March 7th
 - Rookies
 - Current Registration: 22
 - 3 Teams of 7/7/8
 - Double-headers
 - 8U
 - Current Registration: 34
 - 3 Teams
 - 10U
 - Current Registration: 46
 - 4 Teams
 - 12U
 - Current Registration: 36
 - 3 Teams
 - 14U
 - Current Registration: 21
 - 2 Teams
 - Travel team options (Tryouts vs. Evaluations)
 - 10U - 15 players registered

- Tryouts would eliminate 3-4 girls
- Ideas to avoid tryouts: Entire team practices together, hard roster top 9 with 6 fringe players
 - 2 alternate players attend Rumble with team
 - 2 alternate players attend Rockridge
 - 2 alternate players attend Hibbing
 - Girls would be evaluated during first few practices by outside evaluators
- Motion to approve not having tryouts at 10U level and having hybrid with alternate players at each tournament: motion approved by Turcotte, seconded by Noldin - motion approved
- **ACTION:** Send out email to all registered 10U tournament players notifying them of hybrid tournament players

■ 12U - 13 players registered



- Discussed similar hybrid option as noted in 10U
- Players to be evaluated 1-13 within the first few practices by coaches and outside evaluators
- Motion to approve not having tryouts at 12U level and having hybrid with alternate players at each tournament: motion approved by Kalm, seconded by Noldin - motion approved
- **ACTION:** Draft email to parents

■ 14U - 13 players registered

- 16U interested in additional catcher
 - Review roster to determine which player would be asked to move to 16U as catcher (possibly Phoebe)
- Email letter to 14U parents to ensure they are aware of hybrid plan to play 14U tournament and play 16U Rec as a 14U tournament team
- **ACTION:** Draft Email to parents

- Player contract to be put together for tournament team players
 - ACTION: Lydia to send examples for President review

○ Letter to travel team

-  10U Tournament Team Letter DRAFT
-  12U Tournament Team Letter DRAFT

- Next meeting dates
 - April 6th 3:00 - 4:30 - Skyline
 - May 4th - 5:30 - Skyline
- Meeting adjourned: 7:58PM