



St. Croix Valley Girls Fast Pitch Association
Meeting Agenda
Thursday
7/11/2022
6:00 PM Acapulco

Purpose

The Stillwater Area Fastpitch Association (commonly referred to as Stillwater Fast Pitch) was established in 1984 to promote the development of a quality, competitive level of girls' fastpitch softball in the St. Croix Valley Area. This program is committed to the development of potential Stillwater Area High School (SAHS) softball players

1. Call To Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:05.
2. Review and approval of March Minutes - waiting to approve until board members have a chance to review them.
3. Treasurer's Report – Nicole
 - No formal report. \$66, 250 in savings. Checks went out to pay for coaches' hotel expenses for tournaments. Checks are coming in for Pins for teams choosing to participate in the pin trade for the national tournament. Pins were delivered.
4. Coordinator-level updates
 - 8U Black and 8U Red were in Tier 2 for State. Black went 1-1 and Red went 0-2
 - 10U Red was in Tier 1 and went 0-2. 10U Black did not qualify for the state tournament.
 - 12U gold was 0-2 for their state tournament. 12U Red did not qualify for the state tournament.
 - 14U was reported by Mike Meyer that things are going well. Their tri-qualify is next week.
 - 16U good first season for Boom. The team took 2nd in the gold bracket for the state tournament.

5. Fall ball

- Registration will open this week. If you are playing on the Boom team, no need to register for fall ball.
- It is from August 20-September 25.
- 8U will be opening this year for \$40 without a processing fee. A processing fee will be added.
- The cost for 10U-14U (not Boom) will be \$100 without a processing fee. A processing fee will be added.

6. Season Registration and cost

- Stillwater Fastpitch will open next week for the Association 12U- 16U.
- Jeff made a motion to charge \$500 for 12U,14U, and 16U for the Association fastpitch teams.
- If there is a 12U gold, that will have a different price that the board will approve at a later date.
- Boom will be \$1500 for 16U. Board is determining if enough interest for 12U and 14U to have a Boom team at these levels, if approved.

7. St. Croix Boom

- a. Angie Ryan has endorsed the Boom team
- b. At this time there is a 16U team (this team will have the same coach as last season). Interest is high, so the board is anticipating after tryouts Boom will still have a team for next year. The board will open up registration for 12U and 14U to get a level of interest and hopefully have enough to make a team if approved to do so.
- c. Evaluations-August 1 and 2nd for 12U-14U-16U. 8U and 10U have different tryout dates.
- d. Season Layout- Fall tournaments and winter training are included in the price.
- e. Coaches- Candidates for Boom coaching are identified and will be voted on when tryouts are over.
- f. Conversation between 12U Gold and Boom. A discussion was had by the board on the similarities and differences. The board discussed opening up tryouts outside the Stillwater school attendance area for Boom, 12U gold will be the only girls that live in the Stillwater school attendance area. Both teams could have paid coaches. There is a difference between the number of league games (normally none for club teams) and tournaments between club and traveling. Board is looking into if 12U Boom can be a hybrid and have some league games with more competitive tournaments.
- g. Feedback from parents at 10U moving up to 12U is that they would like a chance for the girls to stay together and have a paid coach. They would like to have a fall team consistent with the summer team as best as possible, participate in tournaments, have a paid coach, and have winter training.

8. Open Forum

- Need an 8U coordinator for next year's season.
- May need to order more pins for next year.
- Post-season surveys will be going to parents soon.
- Damen made a motion to give Emily Dollerschell a \$100 gift card for helping with the raffle. Jeff seconded the motion. Board approved.
- We need parent volunteers for check-in help and evaluator help at both the association and Boom tryouts.
- The board received an email from a parent about individual and team pictures. It was discussed as a board and that parents will receive an email from the board.
- Mike Meyer made a motion to refund a player \$1000 due to an injury. Jeff seconded the motion. Board approved.
- It was discussed that the batting cages need to be raked after it is used. However, it is really packed currently, so it will be tilled and reset. Coaches will be told that they need to rake the cages when they are done with them.
- Stillwater Fastpitch is looking into Paypal or paying on Sports Engine instead of using personal checks for uniforms and such and the beginning of the season.

11. Next meeting -was not set

12. Adjourn 8:45

Motion made by Mike and seconded by Jeff. Board approved motion to adjourn.