

MEDIA AREA GIRLS SOFTBALL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 6, 2014



ATTENDEES

Trish Combs	Dj Sheridan
Fred Heller	Peter Mroz
Joe Mirarchi	John Perlman
Keith Hartman	Denise Davidson
Jenn Metzger	Bill Roller
Bob Fadgen	Matt Broomall

Approval of the Minutes

A motion to approve the December minutes was made by Denise Davidson and seconded by Fred Heller and approved by the Board of Directors.

OLD BUSINESS

Winterball Clinic is being planned for this winter at the Penncrest High School auxiliary gym. The Penncrest High School Girls' Softball team will be asked to participate with coaching at the Clinic with a donation to the Softball Teams' Boosters from the League based on the number of girls and the frequency with which they volunteer. All parents and coaches are encouraged to participate in this very popular clinic for girls in grades 1st through 5th. This coming year, the Winterball Clinic Director is Denise Davidson. Winterball forms are available on line. Registration fees are \$40.00.

The Softball Clinic is scheduled for the following dates: January 17th and 24th – February 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th.

The Clinic times are as follows: 7:00 – 8:00 pm for Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades.
8:00 – 9:00 pm for 3rd, 4th and 5th grades.

On January 24th and February 14th the sessions begin at 7:30 pm and 8:30 pm respectively.

FINANCE

The Balance in the Checking account and Money Market account as of January 06, 2014 is \$4110.69. The value of the Certificate of Deposit with the Franklin Mint Federal Credit Union is \$15136.59.

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Banquet expenses are next on the calendar for the League to reconcile with receipts.

At each Board Meeting, all expense receipts and deposit slips must be turned into the Treasurer. Email invoices through mediasoftball.org to Trish Combs and Fred Heller.

SECRETARY

No Report

WEB SITE

The League Line up bill for the 2014 Season is due in January.

Registration for Slow Pitch and Fast Pitch for the 2014 Season is available on line with payment by credit card using the Pay Pal account or by check, sending payment to the League P.O. Box.

FAST PITCH DIVISION

Steph D'Ortone will be retained as pitching coach for the 2014 Season and for the winter clinic practice sessions. The Pitching clinic will be held on Sunday mornings from 10:00 – 11:00 am at the Elwyn Gym, after the 14 – 16 yr old fast pitch practice. The fees for the Pitching Clinic will be \$15.00 per lesson.

Practices for the 10 year and under age group are getting a good turnout for December. Registration for Fast Pitch is available on line and fees can be paid using the Pay Pal account. Required documents can then be presented in person at the evaluations.

Registration forms can be printed from the web site and sent to the League P.O. Box with payment by check. Required documents can be included in the envelope with the registration form or presented in person at the evaluations.

The Board of Directors has discussed beginning the registration process in January for the 2014 Season and have tryouts for Fast Pitch teams in February.

SLOW PITCH DIVISION

All Coaches are required to complete the Coach's Registration Form for the 2014 Season. Background checks are needed from all Coaches and Assistant Coaches prior to the beginning of the season. Jenn Metzger will inform current Board Members and/or Coaches who must renew their Patch Certificates by email.

Registration notices will include a dead line for submitting forms for the 2014 Season. Email messages will be sent to all players registered in the league indicating the beginning of the registration process and the dead line date.

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The Post Card mailing to all girls registered in the League for the 2013 Season will be sent out during the last week of January with updates from the School District directories.

The League is considering restructuring the Slow Pitch Division to create age group levels that are more in line with the girls playing ability. The Clinic would be exclusively kindergarten – Coach Pitch Division of 1st and 2nd grades – the Junior Division would be 3rd grade to 5th grade – the Intermediate Division would be 6th, 7th and 8th grades and the Senior Division would include 9th grade to 12th grade girls. Rules changes would be needed for this new league structure.

The League will be accepting applications for a new Clinic Director for the 2014 Season. The clinic is normally held on Monday and Wednesday's during the season.

REGISTRATION

The majority of the registrations' for Slow Pitch are being done on line. Fast Pitch registration forms will be available at the Softball Banquet and are also available on line.

An email will be sent to Bob Fadgen and /or Matt Broomall for each registration and payment received by the League through the Pay Pal account.

FIELDS

The shed needs to be kept organized and equipment should be replaced back into the shed as it was found.

Permits have been received from the School District for the Penncrest High School field and Rose Tree Elementary.

EQUIPMENT

Equipment should be inventoried by all coaches who are returning for the 2014 season. Players' Helmets are available for purchase through the League.

The League has unused uniforms and softballs that were purchased for the 2013 Season available for the 2014 Season.

Ampro will take specific manufacturers' brand orders from the League for uniforms and pants with the exception of the Nike brand.

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DEVELOPMENT

The League is in need of new Sponsors for the 2014 season and any inquiries should be directed to John Perlman at JnathanP@aol.com or call 610-659-5283. Media 5 Mile Run is again the sponsor for three (3) teams and Wawa Corporation and the Double Decker Restaurant are new sponsors for the 2014 Season.

The Sponsors can now donate to the All Star games and/or the Unified game. Sponsors can also contribute to the Banquet for the awards, trophies and door prizes and also All Star T-shirts, travel teams' warm up jerseys and the Web Site.

SNACK BAR

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

Team Selection Day (Draft Day) is tentatively scheduled for March 8th.

The MAGS League is considering the Lottery Ticket fundraiser this season, which is based on the PA Lottery daily 3-digit drawing. The raffle drawing will take place in the month of May. The ticket purchase price is \$5.00 per ticket for one (1) three digit number for the entire month of May. Raffle tickets will be available March 8th.

The MAGS League will be participating in the Modell's Team Weeks Coupon purchase from March to April (specific dates to be announced). The Coupons offer a 15% discount on all regular and sale priced merchandise and the League receives 5% of all purchases made with the coupon and each purchase entitles the buyer to MVP awards while supporting your team.

NEXT MEETING: February 3rd at the Media Borough Hall Parlor Room