

**Edina Baseball Association**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Sunday, March 3, 2019**  
**City Hall**  
**6:30 PM**

**Attendance:** Derek Chrysler, Chris Czech, Nick Dzandzara (via phone), Dan Farsht, Geoff Fisher, Scott Gage, Chris Geyer, Peter Goepfrich, Charlie Hartwell, Jason Meyer, Mike O'Brien, Eric Perkins, Justin Riss, Kevin Schultz, Dave Shaw, Stevie Sislo, Julie Vanhove, Jim Vitt. Chris Yeamen,

**Absent:**, Paul Schmidt, Jon Freeland

**I. Welcome and Board Responsibility Update – Julie**

**II. Intro of Board Member Candidate – Julie**  
Mike O'Brien was voted on to the EBA Board.

**III. Travel Update– Nick**

**Tryouts:**

- Last tryout session completed today, March 3
- Plan is to have a recap as a part of the next Board meeting regarding thoughts on tryouts. Lessons learned, P2P job evaluating u10-12, layout, etc. Feedback to be solicited in advance and shared at the next meeting.
- Tubs to be provided to coordinator of Rec League evaluations
- Pitching targets to be returned to Derek and Nick

**Travel Teams:**

- U10 - 1 AAA, 1 AA, 2 A
- U11 - 1 AAA, 1 AA, 2 A
- U12 - 1 AAA, 1 AA, 2 A
- U13 - 1 AAA, 1 AA, 2 A
- U14 - 1 AAA, 1 AA, 0 A
- U15 - 1 AAA, 1 AA, 0 A
- U14/15 - none

**Coach Meeting:**

- 3/28 6:30 at Community Center – Stevie to send invite
- Request Head Coaches to add Assistant Coaches to teams (and have Assistant Coaches apply for proper background check)
- Send coach online training expectations
- Confirm equipment is ready for handout directly following Coach meeting (at cage)
- Deck yet to be completed - Key topics
  - Upcoming Season
  - Key Objectives
  - Coaches' Roles and Responsibilities
  - Player Development
  - Tournaments
  - League, MBL Coach Meeting, Schedules and Scheduling
  - Operational Items
  - Uniforms and Equipment

- Deck to be circulated for content review and contributions. Stevie has asked to review material for scheduling. Specifically request content for Coach and Player Development. Anyone have specific feedback for content?

**Umpires:**

- Review umpire shortage challenges last year. Teams often had to provide parent umpires.
- Discuss BT Umpire Shortage expected and how Tim Beasley can support
- Anything we can do to attract additional umpires (provide training, gear, compensation, etc)
- Possibly ID Board member to confirm Umpire assignments throughout season. Last season a number of games needed coordination of parent umpires, high school players, Tim Beasley assignments

**IV. Rec League Update – Jim and Pete**

Evals will be Sunday, April 7, need to do a SUG for volunteers.  
End of Season Tournament July 12-14

**V. Coach and Player Development – Kevin and Geoff**

Coach and Player development are being changed to improve all around. Nevers will be helping with pre-season coach clinic. Suggestion was discussed to add a session after the first 4-5 weeks of the season. Tria will be doing an arm care clinic. Both this and the pre-season clinic will be mandatory for coaches.

**VI. Day Ball Update – Julie (for Jon)**

Reviewing Pioneering offerings for this summer with Nevers

**VII. Sponsorship Update**

All team sponsors are locked in  
All scoreboard all locked in  
Chobani is locked in for Fall  
Cambria is still pending  
Added Tria for Tournaments, Trainers, Coach Development for 3 years  
Try to lock in BIG sponsorships for 3 years  
Chevy has an offer of \$500 and a long list of baseball items.  
Going to do an EBA at a Twins Game Promotion in August

**VIII. Player Numbers – Discussion with all**

Due to time, the discussion was started but tabled for the next board meeting.

**IX. Uniform Update – Julie**

Uniform costs for Travel and Rec were taken out of registration fees this year. Players paying Nicklasson direct for jerseys and hat.

Travel league orders are complete.  
Spiritwear store closes Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>.  
Rec league orders are in process and due April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**X. Other**

- Travel Assessment Fee will be going out March 4<sup>th</sup> and is due by March 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Dome time has been secured for 2019-20. Tryouts will be two weekends (Feb29/Mar1 & Mar7/Mar8).

## 2019 Board Meeting Dates

3/31  
4/28  
5/19  
6/23  
7/21  
9/29  
10/27  
11/17  
12/15

### Paid Coaches:

<b>Coach</b>	<b>Team</b>
Luke Mahler	U14AA
Ben Vanhove	U14AAA
Mitch Larson	U15AAA
Mike O'Brien	U15AAA

(Still looking for coaches to support the following teams at a minimum = U15AA and U13AA)

### Player Recap:

Player count declined in 2019 by 19 players (possibly a few more in u11)

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>Difference</b>
U10	49	50	1
U11	50	45	-5
U12	50	48	-2
U13	37	47	10
U14	37	25	-12
U15	34	23	-11
Total	<u>257</u>	<u>238</u>	<u>-19</u>

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