

Edina Baseball Association Board Minutes

Sunday, April 28, 2019

City Hall

6:30 PM

Attendance: Nick Dzandzara, Derek Chrysler, Chris Czech, Dan Farsht, Jon Freeland, Chris Geyer, Charlie Hartwell, Jason Meyer, Mike O'Brien, Eric Perkins, Justin Riss, Paul Schmidt, Kevin Schultz, Dave Shaw, Stevie Sislo, Jim Vitt. Chris Yeamen

Absent: Geoff Fisher, Peter Goepfrich, Julie Vanhove

I. Welcome– Nick

II. Travel Update– Nick

- League play started April 24.
- Tim Beasley is doing ump's for 10s and 11s and MBL is doing 12s and up.
- Get gear to Courtney for emergency ump needs.

III. Tryout Feedback – Chris Y.

- Chris reviewed feedback and is working on implementing improvements for next year.

IV. Rec League Update – Jim

- We have three 4th/5th Grade teams, two 6th/7th Grade teams and one 8th/9th Grade team. We have 2 less teams than last year.
- Coaches/Managers have been secured for all teams. And at least one person was there to represent the team at the scheduling meeting.

V. Senior League Update – Paul

- Legion Tryouts are May 5 and May 12.
- Legion Kids Clinic are May 5 and May 12, between Legion Tryouts
- Sr Rec teams will be determined after Legion tryouts.

VI. Coach and Player Development Update – Kevin/Geoff/Mike

- TRIA arm-care clinic was attended by about 20 coaches. Worth doing again next year, maybe a bigger location to include Head and Asst Coaches. Email blast some details from the meeting to parents. Add links for Coaches Corner. Consider promoting concussion baseline options.
- Rec and Travel player development hitting and fielding have been scheduled.
- Next year consider more Development for younger ages and less for older ages
- Looking into off season opportunities for players.
- Looking into offering Player Development for Fall Ball Coaches.

VII. Tournament Update – Chris C/Charlie

Two weeks until first tournament. Board volunteers still needed. Parent volunteers are also still needed. Ordering 280 t-shirts to sell (more smaller sizes have been ordered this year).

VIII. Day Ban Update – Jon

- Cambria sponsorship is still TBD.
- Coach interviews are happening soon with Nunn and Nevers.
- HS Student Coaches will be paid a comparable wage whether they coach Day or Pioneer.

IX. Budget Update – Budget was reviewed. Next month a much tighter overview will be presented.

X. Concession Changes – It will close 1 hour after the last game starts. There will be new products this year. And everything will be in dollar increments.

XI. Promotions/Marketing

- Carnival Support (Highlands, Countryside, Concord, Normandale) Sign up with players from your team if you can make one of them. Thanks to Janie Shaw for organizing!
- 4th of July Parade – We are signed up this year. Will need 4 adults to walk the route with kids (SignUpGenius in early June).
- Yard Signs – everyone take 1-2 to put at grade school or along streets in your neighborhood. We will need to collect them after May 15th to re-use for next year so remember where you put them.
- Facebook –Up and running thanks to Janie Shaw. Like us and share posts so your Edina friends join the page.

XII. Other

- Board Shirts are coming the first week of May.
- Pizza Coupons for Rec were sent April 25.
- Field Etiquette Reminder email will go out to Rec and Travel coaches.
- Batting Cages at Courtney – We are working with the City on a short term and longer term plan to fix. Not timing in know.
- EBA ump training – Since there is no MYAS training available this year we are paying seasoned umpers to shadow new umpers for 2 games. (4-5 new umpers). Next year there will be an online option through MYAS.
- EBA provides umpers shirts and hats for those who need them. Eric Perkins has them and umpers will contact him to pick up. Umpers are responsible for their own equipment otherwise.

Next Board Meetings:

5/19

6/23

7/21

9/29

10/27

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