

Chatfield Diamond Club Meeting Minutes



Date: 10/06/2010

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Library

Meeting called to order by Dave Treece.

Meetings will be held the first Wednesday of every month in the Chatfield Library. Next meeting is Wednesday, Nov. 3rd, 2010.

Chatfield Senior High Diamond Club Board Members:

President:	Dave Treece
Vice President:	Mike Miks (Membership, Rosters, Distribution Lists)
Vice President:	Tom Rodgers (Communications and Field Operations)
Vice President:	Denise Chamberlain (Fund Raising)
Treasurer:	Greg Sheldon
Secretary:	Kristin Walker

Website Administrator: Mark Brozovich (Tom Rogers/Mike Miks)

Raffle Coordinator: Karen Brown

- **Welcome/Introduction of Diamond Club (DC) Officers:**

- See above.

- **Financial Review:**

- Greg Sheldon absent. **(See attached for 2010 Program Expenses)**
- Diamond Club Funding Philosophy:

Chatfield baseball receives only approximately \$800 from the district for a sport that had expenses of 23,460 last year for field expense, uniforms, equipment, etc.

The Diamond Club funding philosophy is based on a per player objective/commitment that player parents are responsible for coming up with through either participating in our fundraising opportunities or simply writing a check or a combination of both.

Basically, we take our projected budget and divide it by the number of players in the program to get the actual per player objective. A recap of 2010 program expenses was handed out, detailing where money was spent. This recap did not include any capital items (field repairs, uniform expense, etc.)

The Diamond club doesn't want money issues to prevent a player from playing. That's why we have several fundraising opportunities available and if anyone has an issue with paying some of the fees, please contact Dave Treece or another board member for payment arrangements. The Diamond Club will address financial needs discretely.

- Winter work-outs / balances owed spring & summer

Please be aware that if a player still owes fees from last spring or summer, the player will not be able to participate in winter work-outs unless any outstanding balances have been paid or addressed. If anyone has any questions regarding this, please bring your question to the attention of a DC board member. Everyone needs to pay their own share for their player. It is not fair for some to have to pick up the slack of others unless there are valid extenuating circumstances.

- Current financial status:

We had some big ticket items that we were not able to fund last year, but because of the Rockies program and our fundraising efforts last year we captured about \$10,000 toward these needed expenses, ie: uniforms, field repair, fence stabilization, etc.

We did end up making some decent money on the Rockies tickets, even though we sold them so cheaply which is great!

- **Comments by Head Baseball Coach Mike Yansak:**

- Update/Program needs:

Coach Yansak provided a concise hand-out of program needs and wants for field repairs, uniforms, etc. **(See attached hand-out titled "Big Dreams for Baseball")** Diamond Club needs to approve any expenses but may need to approve some of these expenses soon.

Coach would like the infield and foul area in front of the home dug-out done this fall if possible. The outfield is expensive and something that the DC should start reserving funds for to do in the future.

Coach would like to move to a uniform arrangement more in line with other schools, having players purchase their own pants, the school providing the jerseys and Diamond Club program funds paying for hats.

Coach wants to remind fall athletes that they should stop by his office to stay informed and pick up any pertinent info.

There were discussions about the band contributing funds to the field expenses (2K) since they practice on the field and contribute to the damage. The band is trying to move their practice location. There were also questions as to how we could keep the field watered and the band off the field which need to be addressed.

- **Communication Items:**

- Master Roster Update: Mike Miks is VP in charge of the master roster. Please see Mike if you have any updates or changes that need to be made to the master roster.
- Mark Brozovich, Web administrator made a request to purchase new website software "League Athletics" to make our website more technically current and user friendly. The Diamond Club voted to approve this purchase.

- **Upcoming Events:**

- Field Day: Tentatively set for Saturday 10/30/10.
- Texas Hold 'em. First Texas Hold 'em is set for Sat. Nov 6th at the Mirage **(See attached Flyer.)** There will be live music this time performed by Blacklight Project.
- Raffle/Spaghetti Dinner will be Monday January 31st or Monday February 7th.
- King Sooper's Reloadable Cards – still available through Dawn Olson. We have now met the threshold for our group so 5% of all purchases will go to your player's fundraising account. Dawn was getting questions about which fees the KS rebates could cover. The consensus of the group was that KS rebate monies could off-set the per player fundraising objective and winter work-out fees. The monies cannot go toward school athletic fees, outside league fees, or wearable items. Furthermore, if a player accrues funds, then is cut - - the money stays within the Diamond Club. There will be no "rebate" or refund checks issued from the Diamond Club.
- Rockies Tickets Sales – Play at Coors Field will be discussed in more detail at a future meeting.

- **Ways to get involved – Volunteers Needed:**

- Raffle/Spaghetti Dinner: Nancy Fennimore, Dawn Olson and Jennifer Lighthall volunteered to Help Denise and Karen with this.
- Player Program: We are in need of someone to take over the player program.
- Ice Cream Social: We are in need of a freshman parent to chair this event.
- Field Signage/Banners/Solicitation: We need a volunteer to head this up. We do have some businesses that would like to advertise on our field.

- Please have your student refer to Principal Hohman's 10/8 newsletter to take the safe driving pledge sponsored by American Family Insurance. Our school has the opportunity to win \$15,000 if we get the most students to take the pledge.