

Chatfield Diamond Club Meeting Minutes



Date: 4/13/2011

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: E-104

Meeting called to order by Dave Treece.

Meetings will be held the first Wednesday of every month in the Chatfield Library. The next Diamond Club meeting will be our end of season banquet on Tuesday, May 10th at 6:00 pm (Pinehurst C.C.)

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 Rodgers/Mike Miks)

Raffle Coordinator: Karen Brown

- **Welcome**
- **Meeting Objectives**

Dave called the meeting to order and advised that the most important objective of tonight's meeting is to elect board members for the 2011-2012 Season. You need not be present to be nominated.

- **Treasurer's Report (see attached)**

Greg reviewed the current budget status. We have roughly \$10,000 in the account at this point which includes the 3,000 carry over for next year. This does not include concessions money or money from the Rockies ticket sales program.

Additionally, \$2,250 is attributed to player credit which may be used to purchase Rockies tickets and/or pay for banquet dinner fees. Much of the remaining money will still be needed this year for future field maintenance expenses and other miscellaneous items.

Greg reminded us that the 2011 financial year ends 5/31/11. Any credit balances must be used by that date. No money will be rolled forward to next year, so it needs to be spent on an approved program expense (Rockies' tickets or the banquet) or it will become the property of the Diamond Club. One current budget concern is that the concessions are operating at a loss. Several in attendance suggested that we raise concession prices. It was also suggested to reconsider providing free food for players but nothing was decided on either suggestion.

- **Outstanding Player Commitments**

Thanks to all players and player parents who have fundraised and/or paid their per player commitments to the Diamond Club! Almost all of the money owed was received by the due date of the ice cream social!

There is still one Varsity player, 2 JV players, 2 Sophomore players and 1 Freshman player who owe money to the Diamond Club for player commitment fees. Attempts to collect have not been successful. If you know you owe money, please honor your commitment. If you're not sure if you owe anything, please contact Mike Miks-VP Membership at Michael.Miks@jm.com. The Diamond Club provides several fundraising opportunities throughout the year to enable you to honor your commitment. Any shortfall ultimately falls back on all of the other members of the Diamond Club which is not fair to the players and families who fundraise and honor their commitments.

(The question was asked again why these players get to play if they don't pay their fees and Coach again advised that district rules prevent him from not playing players due to non-payment of booster club fees.)

- **Player Commitments w/Credit balance**

There are some players who have a credit balance in their player commitment accounts. Great job fundraising! Contact Mike Miks-VP Membership at Michael.Miks@jm.com if you would like to see if you have a credit balance. Credit balances can still be used until 5/30/11 to purchase Rockies tickets or pay for banquet dinner fees. (Refer to banquet dinner info below.)

- **Coaches Comments**

It was great to play on Coors field last week even though we lost. Coach was able to suit up 18 players and all had a chance to play on the field.

Coach advised that all teams are well into their seasons now. Varsity and JV start league play next Tuesday. Prior records don't matter as league play is what gets you into the play-offs. Varsity is doing ok so far, - defense is solid, pitching is ok and actively working on hitting. Coach expects this year to be a dog fight in the middle with no one team being extremely outstanding. Play-offs start Sat. 5/14. State double eliminations start Fri. 5/20 and State is weekend of 5/27.

JV is playing very well with only one loss to Ralston Valley and they play them again next Tue.

Sophomores are playing well, 7-2 with both losses to Ralston Valley. Freshman team is also playing well at 6-3.

Coaches and players are pleased with the new uniforms purchased this year. These should last a few years.

Upcoming needs for next year not expected to be as great financially as this year due to the field work and uniforms that were purchased this year. We need some new windscreens and would like to look into new computers that do real-time analysis of pitching/hitting which some schools are currently using. These computers cost approximately \$2,300.

- **Memory Book**

Thanks to Lori Jackson and Karla Elliot for getting the media guide completed so quickly and in time for the Arizona trip. The idea was to get his out a.s.a.p. and then supplement it with an end of season memory book.

- **Senior “young” photos needed a.s.a.p. to Karla Elliot, either baby or little league. Email to Karla Elliot at elliott2plus3@comcast.net. These will be distributed at the Baseball Banquet on 5/10.**
- **Personal ads (Parent, “I love you kid” ads) are due to Lori Jackson actionjackson51@msn.com a.s.a.p. as well. She has received 14 ads so far. Cost per parent ad is \$35.**

Businesses can also place a business card size ad in the memory book for \$50. Email Lori Jackson regarding these ads as well.

Not sure of final price for the memory book – not trying to make money, just break even. Look for future emails regarding pricing and purchasing memory books.

- **Rockies Tickets**

- **8 ticket per player objective – due 4/25**

The expectation is for each player to sell or purchase 8 tickets by no later than 4/25. That is 8 “paid” tickets with the 8 free tickets for a total of 16 tickets. Special thanks to Mark Brozovich for all of his work on the website and for making it so easy to purchase these tickets via the website. **Note: Make sure you tell anyone purchasing through the website to type in the last name of your player to receive appropriate credit.**

- **Banquet**

- **5/10/11 – Pinehurst C.C. (Wendy Ahrens – Wendy@MajorMom.biz)**

Thanks Wendy for chairing this event!

Wendy advised that Quincy Ave. is closed so we will have to get to Pinehurst via Hamden to Sheridan and back to Quincy so be aware of this.

Wendy asked to raise price per person to \$18.00 from \$16.50 and all in attendance agreed.

Coach Yansak agreed to be in charge of printing certificates for all player levels.

Michelle Thayer will do a slideshow presentation for the banquet.

Jackie Treece is hosting a Sr. parent scrapbook/keepsake event at her house. Contact Jackie with questions.

******* Scholarship applications (for the \$1,000 Diamond Club Scholarship awarded to one Senior per year) are due no later than Mon. 4/25 to Deba Larson. The winner of this year's scholarship will be announced at the banquet. *******

- **Nomination and Election of Officers for 2011-2012**

- **Current Structure or per Bylaws**

There was discussion of Diamond Club bylaws which state that we are to have 5 board members vs. the current 6 and the reasons that necessitated the move to 6. It was ultimately decided by all in attendance to return to the 5 board member structure. The nominations and approvals were as follows:

Nominations:

President: Tom Rogers

Vice President Fundraising: Denise Chamberlain

Vice President Membership/Communications: Mark Brozovich

Treasurer: Dawn Olson, Meagan Jerecki

Secretary: Kristin Walker

As the only duplicate nomination was for treasurer, (which is awesome because we need people with experience in this area!) Meagan stated that she didn't really care if she was treasure at this point, she just wants to offer her skills where needed. Meagan was asked to be in charge of summer finances as this is a current need separate from Diamond Club. Meagan agreed to take on this function and will work with Coach directly.

All present voted and approved the following nominations.

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