**Meeting Minutes approval from Marh 2014 – Bill Jones**

**Treasurer's Report – Chad Beatty**

* Revenue Stream and Reporting Items to include:
  + Budget discussion (from Finance Committee)
  + Registrations (Steve Bruso or Amy Green)
  + Sponsorships (Brian Thede)
  + Fund Raising (Steve Bruso or Kelly Mutters)

**Motion to approve the February treasurer’s report:**

**Manager's Report - Brian Thede**

* Concession Stand –
* Start of the season issues?

**Facilities/Fields – Kelly Hott / Andy Ommen**

* Discussion topics:
  + Current standing on Actual expenditures to date compared to the Budget
  + Issues and updates with the complex and fields
  + Update on new A/C – Heating unit and gas line hook up. Proposal to vote on a the gas line easement.
  + Update on Lowes bathroom project

**Baseball Equipment - Bill Jones**

* Discussion topics:
  + Uniform order
  + Coaches Shirts – a few coaches thought Pony paid for the shirts.
  + All supplies for the season have been purchased. Baseballs, Catchers Equip, Helmets
  + Continue baseballs for Shetland and Pinto?

**Umpires – Brian Thede, Bill Graden**

* Umpire Clinic held onApril 6, 2014.

**Publicity/News Items – Jim Broadbear**

**Divisional Reports:**

Shetland Division - Tom N.

Pinto Division - Jason

Mustang Division - Keith

Bronco Division – Jamie –

Pony Division – Audelle –

Colt / Palomino Division – Mike Paulken

**Current Projects**

**Old Business**

* Fourth of July Tournament updates
* Illinois Concealed Weapon Law and MCPB Impact – Thoughts from Bill Graden. This is being included this since he will not be able to attend the meeting and he brings up some good points to consider.

*We need to think about the other side of the coin. We impose a restriction, mom doesn’t bring her gun, ex shows up, pulls a gun, and shoots mom. Why did we disarm mom, why didn’t we disarm dad? Who is going to enforce it? How? If you don’t enforce it, then you have created another issue. Why did the government not proscribe firearms from places like ours? If the powers that be did not see fit, why should we? Those properly licensed have been trained, checked, and registered; they should be the safest gun carrying citizens.*

*And I will not be there Monday. I think we do need to have a discussion, mindful of the differing, and emotional opinions around guns. I don’t like them, but I own some, and I may get a concealed carry license. And I would like to think most people that are registered concealed carry would have the good sense to not bring them into the park, but they might keep one locked in a car. Or they may be in fear of an ex or a stalker. There was a story about a woman in a bar whose husband was shot and killed by a stalker, and she had not brought her gun because it was prohibited.*

*So, I am not going to suggest I know the right answer here. I am going to say I have reservations about prohibiting lawful possession of a gun on the complex. Believe me, as an umpire, I think it might be a good idea, but how do we enforce it? And maybe as an umpire I want one at least in my car in case some crazed parent attacks me in the parking lot, which has happened… lots of things to think about here…*

*So, yes, I think the board needs to decide what our policy should be. I think we need to be very careful about discussions of liability. I think we just need to get a sense of whether we think prohibiting guns is in the best interest of MCPB or whether to rely on the legislative process that chose not to do so. My thought is get it on the table next week, get a sense of the board, and then decide in April, I think it might be a good idea if I am present and part of the discussion, and I can write it up once we have consensus and a decision.*

William T. Graden

**New Business**

* Steve Bruso - Nomination of new BOD member - Evan Fahrner
* Audelle Cummings – Discuss Twins tryout dates and number of travel teams per age group
* Jerry Stocks - Asking for approval to upgrade our Frontier phone service to include internet service and unlimited voice. Increased cost is $3 per month, but also recommending we drop our "inside wiring maintenance" which will save $7.50 per month. Installation and equipment, incuding a wireless router,will be at no cost. This requires a 2 year commitment to Frontier.

**Notes/Calendar of Events/Key Date Reminders – Bill Jones**

Upcoming Key Dates:

4/25 – No games scheduled. Complex prep day for in house opening day

4/26 – In House opening day

5/11 – Mom’s day – no games

5/12 – May BOD Meeting