October 8, 2016 Meeting Minutes

<u>Board Members Present:</u> Garry Remsberg , Myria Shakespeare, Toi Gile, Katie Damian, Beau Damian, Jodi Garza, Stephen Sartain, Ginny Martin

Board Members Absent: Tanya Lewis, Nick Garza, Dave Hayes, Megan Wallace, Brodie Anderson

JSA Members Present: Lance Stevens

Meeting called to order at 9:50 am

Katie proposed and Toi seconded the approval of the September minutes. All in favor

Committee Reports:

Rules: no report, Katie's plans to go through the rules and call a meeting

Polling: Dave was not in attendance

Bylaws: Megan not in attendance (did discuss to have the financial part put into the ED position)

Concessions: no report

Marketing/PR: no report

Improvements: Will be under the special report

ED: Myria sent the position info to Butch & Dave Pusich to review. They both got back to us with some input. Jodie updated the requirements in a good format and easier to read. Just need to add the basic requirements to it (i.e. high school diploma, member of JSA, etc.). It was proposed by Myria and seconded by Steve to keep the salary as a minimum amount during off season and then the majority of the pay during the season. Was passed. This will be posted on Facebook, JSA website, job center and empire this week.

<u>Special Reports:</u> Lance Stevens was in attendance to talk bring up a request to look at a possible land deal to purchase for new fields. Most of the improvements committee met with Lance last week to talk about a company/person that has some land for sale and this would be a good place to put at least 4 and possibly 6 fields. We could also put in a concession stand and office for JSA.

They want to get the board approval to meet with the owner to see if there is any interest in maybe selling or doing some type of deal to acquire the land. If the owner is interested, then the board can move forward with getting a business plan to the owner.

Jodi proposed and Beau seconded the approval to have them meet with the owner to see what his plans are. It was passed.

<u>P & R Meeting:</u> Myria went to the P & R meeting last week. They had 2 members from GCLL, 2 from school district, Amanda Lovejoy, Alex Pierce, Dave Pusich and Cody (CBJ).

Myria said what JSA wants is for the league to continue to have field usage and not to have other users take away our field time. We also want to be able to use Sandy Beach again. We would like to have the DP 4 field in May for the lights and give up DP3 to the schools for that time since we purchased the lights. We have approved the money to get better dugouts and fencing. We also would like to make sure there is water there. This year was tough during the tournament since there was not water.

GCCL is willing to help out with the field improvements. Would like to do a call out to the members of JSA who have building/carpentry experience to help with the improvements and that should save some money. On the fences would need to make sure to have them open at one end to allow the ambulance or CBJ trucks onto the fields.

They would also like to have better communications with us. They heard that JSA was upset with them for taking the fields from them and that we could not use them. Myria said that was not the overall case with JSA. Maybe there was some people in the league that mentioned that but that was not the overall feelings of the board. GCCL would like to have better covered bleachers and maybe more people would come out. We all just need to put our requests into CBJ on time to make sure there is no conflicts.

The schools want to have turf at Adair field and they are wanting to make the field bigger so they have use it for tournaments. We mentioned we would like it if the girl's softball would not be on our fields practicing right before our games.

<u>Place Speak/CBJ Newsletter:</u> this is something that CBJ is sending out to all community members and they wanted us to send to all our members. It is basically a survey/poll of what the community wants to see done with all the CBJ facilities. The board agreed it might be a lot to send to all the members so we will put it on JSA website and Facebook with the link and members can go and view it.

<u>Unfinished business:</u> Sitka wants to transfer over to NSA so they can host more types of tournaments. We need to find out how that would work if we are ASA and we want to go to Sitka to play and vice versa. Do we need to pay another player fee and sign another waiver? We need to find out what the difference is between them. Katie was going to contact Ken Boddy over there and talk about it.

There was a big umpire shortage this year and we need to start advertising for more umpires for next year. The initial cost is about \$300 for umpires and the board would like to help some of that cost by waiving the player's fees for any players that are umpires. We would do this for both player fees if they played men's/women's and then coed. Myria proposed and Toi seconded it. Was passed. We also need to make sure to stress to the managers and players we need to back up our umpires and treat them with respect. There are quite a few people who would like to be an umpire but do not want to have players hassle them all the time for the calls they make.

The registered agent was updated to Schmidt and Buck under the State of Alaska website. All correspondence will be going to them.

The electronic voting will be put under the bylaws committee.

New Business: Beau was the only one to not get an orientation packet. Will get his today

Katie/Myria will update FB and website with the new board member's info. Tim Wilson still is not officially on the board since he has not come to accept the nomination.

Google Voicemail- Butch seems to think we can check from anywhere. Myria to check on that.

Tasks: need to order Women's balls, line up sheets, stamps, first aid kits

Oliver's Trophies owner had a medical emergency and we are not sure if they are done. We will need to wait to see. Myria to drop a quick email to see if there is a response.

Next meeting will be Nov 5th, TBD location. We will swap locations every other time from valley to DT.

We will need to discuss the schedule for next year. Also Whitehorse will be in June next year.

Meeting adjourned at 11:27 am. Myria proposed/Toi seconded