

August 5, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Tanya Lewis, Garry Remsberg, Myria Shakespeare, Toi Gile, Katie Damian, Beau Damian, Dave Hayes, Nick Garza, Ginny Martin, Jodi Garza, Megan Wallace & Steve Sartain

Board Members Absent: Brodie Anderson, Tim Wilson

JSA Members Present: Amanda Lovejoy, George Damian

Meeting called to order at 9:37 am

Roll call of members present and the approval of the minutes from July 2 and July 20. We will approve the executive minutes of June 28 during the executive session.

Committee Updates:

Rules: Katie (chair), Dave, Myria, Megan, Steve, Ginny- Toi & Katie motioned and seconded approval

Bylaws: Megan (chair), Myria, Katie - Toi and Myria motioned and seconded approval

Marketing/PR: Katie (chair), Myria, Toi, Dave, Jodi, Nick - Dave and Toi motioned and seconded approval

Concessions: Toi (chair), Myria, Ginny - Dave and Toi motioned and seconded approval

Megan suggested that a list of all the committees and members be sent out. We need to talk to Brodie since he was not at this meeting if he is still interested in being on the bylaws committee.

Rainball Report: Overall it was a good weekend. We made some money and it seemed to go smoothly for the most part. The only issues we had were with the Sitka women's teams and where they were placed. We had Stan's in the lower league based on what the Sitka board relayed to us that they were a beginning team. They ended up beating most of the teams in the tournament by 20 which was big issue among a lot of the players.

The "If Games" was another issue at the tournament. There was a lot of miscommunication with these games. This is the most if games that we have seen in a long time with almost all of the divisions needing to play them. We will need to determine ahead of time how these games will work and put them in the tournament rules.

Katie mentioned that if she was to be playing as well as the director then it would be almost impossible to do. It was a lot of work and she was grateful for all the support the board was

with coming by to help out. Especially having her mom Tammy there to do the cooking. We might want to think about appointing a Rainball committee since most of us usually play in the tournament. That way there will be more than one person to go to if there is a problem.

Katie has all the ASA documents and is waiting for a few pieces of info from Myria. We do not have to pay the \$250 fee. The winners of the tournament are certified as ASA.

ED Position update: There has been some interest in the position. We will need to do an Ad Hoc committee (Garry, Myria(chair), Jodi, Toi & Katie) who will go through the position. There is a lot involved in this position (mail, scores, updating the website, banking). We are aiming for November 1st to have the position filled. The committee will start working on this.

Misc. old business: Myria got the bank report updated the payments online. Last year JSA covered the \$3 fee for online transactions. We will discuss at a later date to just have the fee be \$48.

Dave is a signer on the bank accounts and he has received his debit card. Not sure where Toi's card is that she ordered. Myria found a receipt booklet at the office and we need to go in to verify that payments are in the system.

We talked about the Bylaws committee will probably have to recreate form scratch since what we have is from 1987. The handbook needs to be updated as well.

Based on an email from the accountant we need to appoint someone a registered agent which is someone that any formal notices or us being served will be listed. Megan nominated Mike Schmidt (accountant) and Katie seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

Parks & Rec: Amanda Lovejoy was here to discuss our questions. In regards to the concessions stand that is being built-P & R state that we have priority if we have rented the fields. It will be \$45 for first day and \$10 each day after. We can either choose to use the stand or let someone else use it on behalf of JSA. That other party will have to still conform to the DEC permit, business license, CBJ permit. If we do not want a vender, then it is open for anyone to sell (but still needs to do the licenses)

The concessions stand will have a refrigerator and freezer, running water, hand wash station and power. It is up to vender to bring a microwave or fryer.

Amanda will look into when it is estimated to be done, storage area & code to get in.

In regards to the dugouts- we are wanting to enclose them and put in cement floors. JSA would like to move forward with this project. Amanda will need to talk to Colby and will get back to us. We would like to have the sides of each field fenced in. Not having them fenced in causes a delay in games since the balls go in the brush a lot. Was suggested we have plaques up that show the distance between the bases and the back fences.

Amanda mentioned that if we do not use Savikko field next year there is a good chance we will lose it. We did agree we will be planning to use.

There is a field shortage since the Lena and aniak fields are not being used. They are not maintained or prepped since no one asks to use them. GCCI did ask to use DP1 for a few of their Tee ball games since they did not have anywhere else to play.

JSA did purchase the lights for fields 1 & 4. Since we have to give up field 4 in May and we have late games is there any way we can have the schools use the DP3 fields instead so we can play under the lights. Amanda will check on that request and get back to us.

Soccer for 11-14 yrs. old's have the DP 4 fields after Rainball since that is the only field that works for them.

Amanda said that Jan1-31 is when we need to get our schedules in for the fields. After that we need to email Dave Pusich to amend the schedules. That was not done this year, we were just updating the schedule on line and not confirming with P & R. That was causing a lot of problems with fields and having multiple people on them at same times. The schools do have first priority.

Some of our issues were the umpire shortages and we find out 2 weeks before games if they have enough umps. We will try to have better communication with P & R. They are always welcome to come to our meetings and we will make sure to include them on the emails of our next meetings.

Lance Stevens wanted to come today but he is out of town. He has some information on possible new field locations.

We went into Executive Session at 11:10 and out at 11:40 am.

New Business: We got positive results from the voting at the fields this year with 50 total people voting. Survey monkey is another way we can poll the members. Jodi brought up we should send out a poll to the members about some of our main issues that we had this season and see what the members think. The issues will be 5 runs, scheduling questions about do they like set night of 2-3 nights each week, maybe extending the 1 season and not having a second season. We only had 15 teams sign up this year for 2nd season.

We added an Ad Hoc committee to write up the polling questions- Dave(chair), Megan, Jodi, Myria.

The current board member's seats are up this year all except Myria and Dave they are up next year. Katie will post on Facebook, Myria will post on the web site and send to all members that we will need nominations by September 9th and then we will hold the elections on Saturday September 10th from 9:30-11:30.

Myria made copies of things for us all to make board member packets. They include bylaws, rules, tournament director duties, schedule check criteria, board member duties, etc.

We will need to order line up sheets, first aid kits, stamps, new women's balls (changing this year). We will discuss at the next meeting about setting up voice mail via google so we do not have to go in and check the phones. We will talk about having managers be able to enter scored themselves online.

We will need to get some training on the web site and how to sign up teams and players as well as accepting the waivers.

Was brought up that we could do a fundraiser for a skills clinic with maybe JDHS & TMHS girls to help out with basic skills, techniques for positions and some pitching.

There was an issue with bats that were put in the illegal list 2 weeks before Rainball and then players were not able to use them. We need to figure out what to do. Discus at next meeting.

We have had a lot of injuries this season and was brought up that we need to have an injury plan posted so we will know how to handle. It will list what we as a board needs to do, gate code, where the first aid kits located and essential info in cases of injuries. We will talk about getting something written up before next season.

We discussed if we really need the JSA building since most of what is done is online. We formed an Ad Hoc building committee to Discuss-Steve(chair), Megan, Myria & Toi.

We adjourned at 12:12- Dave proposed and Garry seconded it.

next meeting Sept 17th, location TBD.