**Board Meeting Minutes**

**February 4, 2016**

**In Attendance**

Kevin Schaefer-President

Brandon Bailey-Board Position #1

Stephanie Butts-Player Agent

Tiffany Erickson-Secretary

Seth Ritchey-Safety Coordinator

Chad Stephenson-Coaching Coordinator

Ian Gerrish-Board Position #2

Matt Withers-Vice President of Baseball

Shilo Bedker-Vice President of Softball

Patrick Fagan, Registrar-Guest

Amanda MacKinnon-Guest

**Meeting was called to order by Kevin at 6:06pm.**

**Minutes**

* Stephanie motions to approve January minutes as written. Seth seconds. Motion passes.

**Treasurer’s Report**

* Stephanie motions to approve financial report. Seth seconds. Motion passes.

**Equipment**

* All major equipment purchases are done for now.
* Will need score books and line-up cards
* Brandon will be purchasing 6 pop-up nets (one for each field box). Purchase was approved prior to meeting by the board.
* Brandon will set a date for equipment check out for coaches once teams have been set.
* All equipment is ready for try-outs
* We are missing one charging cable for the pitching machines.
* Shilo was asking about softball folders still being available in storage. She will check on that.
* Lanyards for photo ID. Kevin will be asking Dick’s Sporting Goods for a donation or low cost lanyards.
* Should we change lock codes? It was determined that this would be best for security reasons.

**Mariner’s Night**

* Amanda MacKinnon presented
* There will be only one turn-in date this year for all monies. Last year became too confusing with 4 different dates. We will have an April 2nd deadline for all monies to be turned in. Coach packets will be ready to hand out by February 29, 2016.

**2016 Registration**

* Patrick updated board on his progress.
* Registration is now closed.
* We have roughly 361 players registered. All paid up-to-date
* There are approximately 68 coaches.
* They need to get their background check forms in and at least one coach from each team must be CPR/first aid certified.
* Pat will shift his focus to fundraising.
* Registration events were successful
  + How/what will need fine tuned for next season?

**Scholarship Process/Volunteer Time**

* We will be updating the scholarship application for the 2016-2017 year.
* Discussion followed on what this might look like. Patrick volunteered to start the leg work on what this might look like.
* Going forward, we need more parent volunteers during the season for field maintenance and event organizing. How will we achieve this?
* Each coach will need to have 2-3 parent volunteers pre-arranged that the board can count on for any help needed.
* There is a Rookie division coach that is arranging a volunteer group for Elger Bay field.
* We had a very small turn-out to help at Stanwood Elementary to prep field for tryouts.

Brandon was excused at 6:40pm.

**Fundraising**

* Kevin proposed World’s Finest Chocolate.
* It was determined that any player fundraising will be tabled until all 2016 sponsorships have come in.
* Kevin revisited 15 establishments in town this week that should be able to help again this year with team donations.

**Practice/Game Field Scheduling**

* This responsibility has always fallen on one or two people and they are always getting calls/complaints.
* Suggestion: An online Google calendar will be set up and each coach will have access to that.

**Miscellaneous**

* Because of lack of city field maintenance at both Church Creek and Heritage, there is a concern about how much we will be able to use it
* Fields to be used for Rookies will be Twin City and Utsalady, No to Elger Bay.
* The try-out sheets were revamped to hopefully make them easier to use than last year.

Patrick was excused at 7:10pm.

* Picture Day
* Designer Portrait Studios checked into using Amigos. It will work.
* Beginning at 9am. Two back-drops. A group every 15 minutes.
* Amigos will have ½ priced kids specials for the day and other breakfast specials for the morning.
* Because picture day is on Easter weekend, we will try to accommodate younger teams for a bit later in the schedule because of community events.
* We have a few proposals for coaches’ clinics. Need to determine which one fits our needs.
* There is a proposed injury prevention clinic coming up.
* At least one coach from each team must be CPR/First Aid certified. This will be watched by Districts so we need to be in compliance.
* Our Safety Plan was accepted with no issues or fixes needed per Districts.
* It was proposed that we have each coach sign a concussion policy like the one the parents signed at registration to make sure that they are all aware of the policy.

Patrick was excused at 7:20.

* Outhouses will be delivered by Norsky Septic on March 1st. One will be delivered to Stanwood Elementary 2/5 for tryouts.
* We have our Dick’s Sporting Goods coupon event 2/27 & 2/28.
* There is a field maintenance sale 2/17 in Everett that Kevin would like to take advantage of.
* Discussion followed.

Shilo was excused at 7:30pm.

* Kevin is asking Stilly Tribe again this season for a donation.
* We have arranged the Base By Pros 1 ½ hour training on 2/20 for some of our players. The clinic will be in Arlington. (Softball tbd in Everett)
* A final date for coaches meeting needs to be set.

Next meeting set for Thursday, March 4th, 2016 at Tidelands Church.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.**