

Soderville Athletic Association
Board Meeting Minutes

Date: June 22, 20008

Board Members in Attendance

Greg Zimmer	President
Greg Stephani	Vice President
Tom Dreshar	Treasurer
Donna Hable	
Brian Braden	
Dale Blonigen	
Steve Miller	
Brad Hensler	

Not in Attendance

Derrell Singh	Secretary
Marty Tynda	
Curtis Moe	

Others in Attendance

Nancy Nelson

Meeting called to order by Greg Zimmer at 7:20pm.

Dale B. made a motion to approve the June 1, 2008 meeting minutes, Greg S. seconded, motion approved.

Public forum – none

New Business

Ham Lake City Council update – Greg Z. went to a meeting to talk about what we are going to do with the Soderville Baseball field, he was told that we will never get more parking there so maybe we should not look at putting more money into that field, they discussed the fact that there is room at the City Park field area to possibly put a new baseball field in and the storage and parking is already there, Tom Reiner has someone working on a sketch right now and it should be ready by next week.

Season rain out games – Nancy will send an email to the coaches about getting their make up games played as soon as possible, they just need to email Randy to get a field scheduled and the Umpire Coordinators to schedule an umpire, she will say that they have to have it made up by July 20th or the game will not count towards their standing for the tournament, we have to get these games in so we are not struggling to get the brackets done last minute.

Oak Grove Meeting – Nancy reported that Ben from Oak Grove called to say that they are looking into building a ball complex and he is setting up interviews with athletic associations to see what the needs are for this complex. Greg took his number from Nancy and he will be contacting him. Steve Miller brought up that this may be good as it would mean competition for East Bethel as far as charging fees and such.

Committee Reports:

Concessions – Pierro – Nancy let everyone know that Teri will be very busy with concessions this next month as there are tournaments at every field through the end of July now.

Umpires – Blonigen/Hensler –Dale said the biggest glitch with umpires is that they are not being notified of the games that are scheduled as make ups, everyone thinks that the umpires are very good this year. There was discussion around what to pay umpires if they show up for rain outs and if someone cancels a game and it was decided that the umpire should be paid in full for this if they showed up.

In-house fastpitch – Miller – Steve reported that he is still trying to find a coordinator for the end of year tournament, Tom D. made a motion to pay the coordinator \$50 for Friday and \$100 each for Saturday and Sunday, Greg S. seconded it, motion approved.

In-house baseball (Junior) – Stephani – Greg Zimmer said that having no time limit for 10U after school is out has made the game a little long for that age group, it is fine for 12U as they are old enough and they are a little better players so the game moves a little faster. We will probably change this rule again for next year.

In-house baseball (Senior) – Moe – not present.

Traveling fastpitch – Hable – the 10U team has three National Berths already as they have won three tournaments, the other age groups are doing good also, Nancy will set up extra cleanings for the tournament this weekend for the portable toilets, the 14U qualifier is this weekend and there will be 77 teams at the Ham Lake complexes so that will be a busy tournament for all involved.

Traveling baseball – Braden – Brian said that there are not many meetings going on now since they are in the season and not much is going on administratively, Brian is frustrated that BATBA spoke to a lawyer and it was voted that SAA now does not have a voting right on the Board, if SAA is going to support BATBA then there has to be more communication back and forth, BATBA has to figure out that we are a great feeder program to them and we need to attend a meeting of BATBA's to let them know what we are providing them and what they should be providing us.

Field/Game Scheduling – McArthur – not present

Equipment – Krenz/Tynda – not present

Treasurer – Dreshar - nothing to report

Fundraising – Braden – Brian has suggested that we look into having an aluminum can drive for SAA, we could have a trailer set up at the building for the association to drop them into, Brian also wants to look into what SAA can do for the community, he is thinking that we could have something on the website for people that may be selling any equipment, we could have a drop area for people to donate stuff and have an annual garage sale also, we will discuss this further later.

Uniforms – Singh – not present

Photos – Nelson

Operations Manager Report – N. Nelson

Trophy/medal wording – It was decided that the 6U medals and trophies would say “Don Hansen Memorial Tournament” on them.

Registration Payments not made – Nancy will send a final letter out to those that have not made their final payments, or any payment, and let them know they are not going to be able to register for the 2009 season unless they pay for 2008.

Fundraiser Ideas to Board meeting for next year – Nancy would like to send an email to the association notifying everyone that if they have a fundraiser idea for the 2009 season that they should come to the August or September 2008 Board meeting and present their idea.

Purchasing Easy Ups for concession stands – Nancy and Teri would like to purchase Easy Ups for the concession stands to have for the upcoming tournaments. These will be used for the person that is grilling in case it rains or is very hot. Teri found some at Sam's Club for about \$197.

Tarps at fields – Nancy will purchase 12 new tarps to have for the tournaments in case they are needed to cover the dugouts.

Old Business –

Tournaments/Tournament Coordinators – it was decided that we will pay tournament coordinators as discussed under fastpitch above.

Other

The next meeting is set for July 13th, 2008 at 8:00pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Greg S., Brad H. seconded the motion, motion approved and meeting adjourned at 9:02pm.