

**Soderville Athletic Association**  
Annual Board Meeting Minutes

Date: October 14, 2008

**Board Members in Attendance**

Greg Zimmer	President
Greg Stephani	Vice President
Tom Dreshar	Treasurer
Derrell Singh	Secretary
Donna Hable	
Brian Braden	
Dale Blonigen	
Steve Miller	
Mike Laciskey	
Nick Braden	

**Not in Attendance**

Brad Hensler  
Curtis Moe

**Others in Attendance**

Nancy Nelson  
Heather Lund  
Justin Dahlberg  
Dan Legierski

Meeting called to order by Greg Zimmer at 7:00 p.m.

Tom D. made a motion to approve the October 16, 2007 annual meeting minutes, Steve M. seconded, motion approved.

**President's Report**

Greg Z. reported that he feels the 2008 SAA season was fabulous. We did well in concessions and we did a great job in fundraising. As far as he can see we are in great shape for next year. The SAA building should be taking shape in the next couple weeks also as far as using it for a baseball/softball workout facility. Greg Z. said the umpiring was the best he has seen it in years and he thanked Brad and Gail Hensler and Dale Blonigen for that. He thought the all-star games that 10U and 12U baseball teams attended at the BBC went well and were a key component in the season. Greg wants to make sure that we have someone on the traveling baseball Board as Brian is not going to be able to do that anymore. Greg would volunteer to do that unless anyone else would like to. Greg let everyone know that the City Park grass was accidentally killed so we may not be able to use those fields in the spring. This will be looked into further to get a better assessment on the damage that was done. Greg also reported that SAA has receipts of over \$10,000 of field improvements that we can show the city that we have spent on these fields.

**Treasurer's Report**

Greg Z. has a report of the SAA finances and has a person interested in taking on the treasurer position and that is Mike Laciskey. This will be discussed during the next meeting when assigning Board positions. There is currently a balance of \$18,000 in the general fund, \$12,000 in traveling fastpitch, \$33,000 in concessions and capital improvement is \$9,000. Greg will let Mike look over the reports over the next couple months to come up with a budget. Mike will be responsible for letting us know what we can spend where. Greg handed out the treasurer's report for everyone to see. Donna H. let us know that there will be a new treasurer on the fastpitch side also and her name is Niki Parson's.

As far as the advertising at Soderville field so far there will be signs made for MATTCO Excavating and Holtz Landscape for their donations. We also need to get their names on the website. Steve M. suggested having a sign that says "Soderville Baseball Field Donated by...." but Greg said the lawyers said we may not be able to put up that kind of sign.

## **Public Forum**

Justin Dahlberg came to the meeting as he has two kids in fastpitch and he has been a coach in SAA. He wanted to come to the meeting and see what is going on behind the scenes of the association. His daughter is very interested in ball and wants to continue to play more competitively. Donna H. let Justin know that he could also attend the specific fastpitch meetings that they hold.

Mike Laciskey talked about fall ball and said they were not aware that SAA has a league so we should communicate that better next year. It is played through MYAS but coaches can form a team play if they are interested. Steve M. said since we are on that subject he said that SAA hosted the qualifier and State for fall ball so concessions and stuff was busy but not as much as it could have been if the games would have been scheduled better.

Dan Legierski also attended the meeting to find out more about SAA. He has three kids playing in SAA and his oldest plays Blaine traveling and he has not been completely happy with that experience. He is interested in seeing what he can help with. Dan has coached for two years in SAA.

Heather Lund also came to the meeting and has a daughter that plays fastpitch. She lives in Blaine and has had issues such as Dan L. has spoken of with that association. She is interested in having her kids play for SAA this next season and is hoping her husband will be interested in coaching.

## **Elect New Board Members**

Steve M. wanted to thank Donna H. for all she has done for fastpitch and the time she has put in. Donna will be stepping off the Board as she has completed her term. She will be taking on the Traveling Commissioner duties so she will still be involved. Donna also thanked the association for all SAA has done to support traveling fastpitch.

Steve M. nominated Heather Lund to be on the Board, Greg Z. nominated Dan L. to the Board and Steve M. nominated Justin Dahlberg, Greg Stephani and Brian Braden. All those that were nominated accepted. No voting was necessary as there is exactly this number of seats available. Following are the terms accepted by each new member:

Justin Dahlberg – 3 years  
Greg Stephani – 3 years  
Heather Lund - 3  
Dan Legierski – 2 years  
Brian Braden – 2 years  
Nick Braden (voted on at the last SAA meeting) – 3 years  
Mike Laciskey (voted on at the last SAA meeting) – 3 years

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Greg Z., Greg S. seconded the motion, motion approved and meeting adjourned at 7:50p.m.