

Vienna Babe Ruth

Board Meeting
March 2, 2005

1. The meeting was called to order by Board President Clarke Gray, at 7:10 p.m. A quorum was present.
2. New Board Candidates
The following Board candidates were introduced and accepted by acclimation.
Mary Stickney - Secretary
Debbie Ochs - Snack Bar
Mark Skehan - Scheduling
Steve Fox - Web Administrator

Joanne Jedlicka will be introduced at the next meeting to serve as Team Liaison coordinator & Team Pictures coordinator. The Field Maintenance coordinator position is still open.
3. Vice President's Reports
Paul Boren, American League Vice President, reported that high school schedules have been completed, and that no high schools object if their players also play Babe Ruth. Current managers are asked to contact returning 15s to encourage them to register.
4. Player Agent Report
The last walk-in registration for the season will be on Saturday, March 5 at the Vienna Community Center from 10:00-1:00.
5. Registrations
To date, registrations are as follows:

13s	51
14s	43
15s	52
16s+	32
6. 2005 Snack Bar
Volunteers are still needed for all snack bar operations – shopping, volunteer scheduling, and unloading supplies.
7. Old Business
League Vice Presidents need to check the condition of their gear. New gear will be purchased if necessary. Some uniforms remain out.

8. New Business & Discussion

Four high school fields were taken out of the available pool. Madison was one of those fields. Obtaining additional fields is on-going. No field practice will be permitted at the Oakton JV, but it has been reserved for throwing, etc.

The National and American teams draft will be held on March 8 or March 5, depending on manager and coach availability. Prep league draft will likely be held the week of March 9 - 13.

The American League Cubs manager position was vacant. Three very strong candidates expressed interested in the position. Based on input from players, parents and members of the Board, Ron Decker, who served as the Cub's Assistant Manager last year, was recommended to the Board. The Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

Season will begin April 9. Early games will be front loaded with Prep and National games. American League games will begin around May 14, upon completion of the high school JV schedules.

The Board approved the concept of bringing the Clark Griffith League to Waters Field. It also authorized Clarke Gray and other representatives of the League to explore the specific arrangements and conditions required to accomplish this. A proposal for consideration and approval by the Board will be made at a future meeting.

The county has approved Thoreau field improvements. The cost of the improvements is \$210,000, of which the County will provide \$80,000. Field users groups (e.g., Vienna Babe Ruth, Vienna Little League) must provide the additional funding. The Board will pursue funding opportunities.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2005.

Approved:
Clarke Gray