

Cardinal Power

Minutes from December 29, 2016

Present: Jim Tschumperlin, Todd Gochanour, Margaret Gochanour, Tom Seifert, Cory Hainy, John Oothoudt, Bruce Abitz and Amy Brinkman

Absent: Brian Johnson, Glenn Moeller and Tim Terfehr

A correction from the minutes on December 18, 2016; the meeting date was moved from January 15 to January 29, 2017. A motion was made to accept the minutes with the correction by Margaret Gochanour, seconded by John Oothoudt. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report by John Oothoudt: We officially opened up an account at Bank Midwest.

We had 26 for the morning session and 24 in the afternoon session. We will be issuing a refund to one individual who was in the hospital. CER will issue a check to Rick Pauly. Additional expenses could include custodial/janitorial fees. We are hoping that these fees will be waived & should know by the next meeting in February. In addition to the fees paid to host the camp, our organization paid for the hotel room, \$100 gift card, Fruit/gift basket; which included a Cardinal Power sweatshirt. Rick and his daughter, Sara were very grateful for our kind hospitality.

Future Clinics: Information was gathered on perspective experts for hitting/catchers/and infield camps. This will be discussed in depth at the next meeting.

Registration Update by Jim Tschumperlin: We currently have 38. A question that came up during the meetings was how many tournaments will be included and if there will be additional tournament opportunities? The intent is that the registration fee includes, 2 tournaments which are southern stars and the Fairmont tournament. If teams would like to play additional tournaments, which will be decided per age group, the cost would be \$20 per tournament, based on 10 players and an average fee of \$200.00. Anything above this cost, the organization will pay. A motion was made by Amy Brinkman, seconded by John Oothoudt to approve the additional expenses, should they occur at a tournament. Motion carried.

John Oothoudt, Jim Tschumperlin and Cory Hainy will work on an email to be sent to clarify tournament information and outline expenses to individuals interested in playing additional tournaments, not included in the registration fee.

Newsletter by John Oothoudt. The newsletter would be a 4-page highlight of all the teams. It will be discussed more at a coach meeting on how we can accomplish and feature teams in a timely manner. One suggestion is to have a format or guideline available for coaches to complete. This could also be used when sending information into the Sentinel or Photo Press on game highlights. We will continue to discuss ideas at the next meeting.

Homework:

Brian Johnson is working on an application for potential coaches to complete.

Sponsorship – How do we honor them? Is it a thank you card? In the newsletter? Website? Name mention in our weekly update to the newspapers? What can we do that is different to recognize these sponsors?

Ideas? Have the sponsors names on a t-shirt that can be purchased by players & parents at the beginning of the season.

Suggestions: Amy Brinkman was nominated to write thank you notes to the sponsors and the group will sign the card. Jim will get the list to Amy.

Circle Update by John Oothoudt; The turf is here and ready to be brought into the circle. John O. and Brian Johnson picked up the turf from a company in Chaska. They said they will send us an invoice. Glenn Moeller has donated 2 batting nets. Todd & Margaret donated a tire cover with a "softball" to be used as decoration. Progress continues & texts will be sent for work dates.

Open Discussion:

We have 2 individuals that indicated they would be interested in coaching 10u. The coaching application will be used to determine qualified applicants.

Jim T. and Bruce A. will begin working on finding/scheduling umpires for the season.

The southern stars meeting will be February 19. Jim will be attending the meeting. Todd Gochanour is the community rep and is not able to attend this meeting.

A motion was made by Todd Gochanour, seconded by Amy Brinkman to provide one shirt to be worn by the coaches at games and tournaments. Motion carried.

Next meeting date is February 26, 7p.m at Gochanour's