

Minutes from February 26,2017

Present: Jim Tschumperlin, Brian Johnson, John Oothoudt, Glenn Moeller, Cory Hainy, Bruce Abitz, Todd Gochanour, Margaret Gochanour and Amy Brinkman

Absent: Tim Terhfer

The minutes were approved with a correction of the meeting being held on January 29, 2017 replacing the date of December 29,2016. Margaret Gochanour made the motion with the correction as noted, seconded by Brian Johnson.

**Treasurer's report** by John Oothoudt was presented and approved

No checks have been deposited for registrations fees. The checks will be deposited on April 1, 2017.

Margaret Gochanour made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as stated, seconded by Brian Johnson. Motion carried.

**Registration update** by Jim Tschumperlin; We currently have 58 girls signed up, with an estimated 10 more to come in. Jim provided a copy of the current player list and will update the group as more registrations are received. Jim asked that Amy Brinkman find out when we will need to have uniforms ordered for a start date of May 15, 2017 and how we handle late orders. Amy will update the group with the information when she finds out. Uniforms will be ordered at Fairmont Awards.

**Sub/part time players:** Jim asked the group their thoughts on having girls play part time. The group discussed in depth. A motion was made by Amy Brinkman, seconded by Margaret Gochanour to not allow players to have an option to play part time. All players must be on the roster full time per ASA rulings. Motion carried.

**8u Fees:** The board discussed setting a fee for 8u, the players will play one night a week, play the Fairmont tournament and possibly one other tournament, and include the cost of the uniform. 8u will also use a pitching machine for all games, which is required by southern stars. Brian Johnson made a motion, seconded by John Oothoudt that the registration fee is \$65.00. Motion carried.

**Southern Stars update** by Jim Tschumperlin; Jim & John Oothoudt attended the meeting held in February and requested approval from Southern Star to join the league. It was approved.

Schedules & registration/tournament fees for southern stars

8u – Monday night only; \$25 fee/tournament fee \$200.00- start date of May 22

10u – Monday & Wednesday; \$95 fee/tournament fee \$200.00 – start date of May 22

12u – Tuesday & Thursday; \$95 fee/tournament fee \$200.00- start date of May 23

14u – Monday & Wednesday; \$95 fee/tournament fee \$200.00 - start date of May 24

16/18u – Tuesday & Thursday; \$95 fee/tournament fee \$200.00- start date after June 1

The state tournament fee is \$210.00 and registrations due April 9.

State tourney dates are:

8u – July 15

10 & 12u – June 24-25

14, 16 & 18u – July 15

The Fairmont tournament is July 8-9.

Umpire meetings will be held April 30 in Mankato and May 17 in Jackson. 16/18u requires 2 umpires at games.

A copy of a birth certificate and school photo is required with the rooster for all tournaments. Amy Brinkman will organize the information for the coaches prior to the start of the season. A note will be sent to parents informing them of the needed items in March.

**Coaches Meeting:** The southern star's coaches meeting will be held on April 30 in Mankato. It is highly recommended that all coaches attend this meeting.

**Family Fun Fair is** Friday, March 31,17. Jim Tschumperlin, Brian Johnson and Tom Seifert will be at the event. Our registration has been sent to CER.

**Other:**

**Coach application;** Brian Johnson presented information for a coach application. This was discussed in detail by the board to have a formal application for all interested applicates to complete. Based on the applications the board would approve and decide who is qualified to coach. Brian asked that we review the application and make suggestions and can be sent to Jim Tschumperlin.

**Tournament update** by Glenn Moeller. Glenn asked the group for approval to pay \$100.00 to be on the ASA/NAFA website and to be considered a qualifier tournament. 14, 16 and 18u would be a qualifier to go to a national tournament. 10 & 12u must play at a state tournament to qualify for nationals and not considered a "qualifier." Glenn is checking into this further.

Amy Brinkman made a motion, seconded by Margaret Gochanour to pay \$100.00 to be listed on ASA website for 14, 16 and 18u to be a NAFA qualifier.

**The next meeting is Sunday, March 26, 7p.m. at Todd & Margaret Gochanour's.**