

## **MAGFA Board Meeting - July 20th, 2012**

**Present:** Jon Thompson, Kari Young, Maggie Johansen, Wayne Veroeven, Tomm Richards, Angie Kopp, Carie Weller, Troy Russell, Jeff Scharmer, Daron Fromm, Neil Kaus, Jay Douglas and Debbie Andrego

*Absent: Dan Goettl, Mike DuBeau, Beth Benzkofer, Shane Bowyer*

### **OPEN/CALL TO ORDER:**

Jon called meeting to order at 7:37pm.

### **MINUTES:**

Minutes from previous meeting reviewed/approved.

**FINANCE:** Dan not present – sent updated ledger. Board reviewed current expenditures and income; reviewed tournament income from Spring Fling, Summer Sizzler and Rising Star tournaments – overall were very successful.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

- **Finance** – Board approved 11-1 funding allowance for 3 traveling teams that earned national tournament berth. Board 7-5 vote to change fee structure for 2013, board vote 12-0 to raise deposit from \$100 to \$150. Looking to cut back on umpire costs for 2013 for home league – southern start requires 2 for 16/18; cut back to 1 for 10/12/14 for home league games;
- **Facilities** – Jeff reported that K&G wants to use court 3 more this winter season for meets and will bring in 9' wide bleachers; K&G wants us to price doors to replace the existing set that are near court 4; also looked at smaller bleachers smaller door; Jeff thought 10' overhead door was third and best option considering its purpose with a walk door right next to it. We are negotiating to pay for half of the door to alleviate traffic issue with K&G's main entrance during their open hours. Neil also added that we'll need to look at the expense to pour a 10'x12' slab as well as lay gravel towards the court 4 end of the existing parking lot.
- **Tournament-** Wayne – nothing to report.
- **Lil Peppers** - Peppers in the park this Sunday at Sibley - will wrap up the season for any Pepper player that wants to come down – will have games, Pepsi wagon, free treats donated by Angie's Kettle Corn; Angie set up equipment return date and end of year meeting with coaches to get suggestions and feedback.

- **Peppers REC** – Tomm reporting for Shane. Equipment return date not yet set up. Tomm wants to be sure that we extend thank you to all coaches and make sure that we have all expenses paid. Suggestion for 2013 would have a director for each age level.
- **Peppers Travel** - Debbie put national bags together and they're now ready for distribution – include t-shirt, Gatorade and seeds; Fall Ball registration open until July 24<sup>th</sup> – Debbie/Maggie and Angie to form teams and identify coaches. Tomm to finalize upon return from nationals; whole committee to meet August 8<sup>th</sup> to decide 2013 coaches along with try out schedule which has been set for August 11/12<sup>th</sup> at Sibley.
- **Equipment** - Troy would like to get board feedback on jersey/uniform for fall ball – discussion of 3 button Henley versus performance t-shirt vs. traditional fan gear; board approved orange t-shirt with two color screen print. Player to provide their own shorts and socks. Troy does have inventory of shorts for purchase.
- **Corporate Fundraising - Neil** reported that he was able to gain donations Loose Moose and Big Dog for this month; Neil has to date collected \$10742 in corporate donations for 2012; was \$9350 for 2011. Wade at Big Dog agreed to donate 5x7 wall space for Peppers collage (to be donated by Quality 1 Hr Foto).
- **Operations** – Angie mentioned the idea to organize a year end party day at Sibley - Peppers in the Park day – July 22<sup>nd</sup>. MAGFA subcommittee would organize – have relay games and activities for cross age Lil Peppers – Oldest REC and any Travel Peppers teams.
- **Player Development** – Tomm reported that he wasn't able to fit in all the clinics that he had hoped.
  - Looking to next year – Tomm would like to identify a pitching specialist for the org; available to offer clinics – evaluate at try outs and offer lessons;
  - Tomm made recommendation that association purchase an Ipad – could be used for many things as well as a resource for hit/swing analysis using apps like Power Chalk; Motion passed;
  - Dome ball; Tomm approached by a parent that wanted to field a 18U West HS Dome team under the Pepper's umbrella; Wayne commented that this doesn't fall into parameters outlined by our program (excluding players based upon school)

***Meeting adjourned by Jon at 9:37pm; Next Board meeting is August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012 – 7:00pm.***