

MAGFA Board Meeting Notes – 11/18/2015

Attendance: Tomm, Steve, Matt, Phil, Ashley, Neil, Adam, Jean, Brian, Dan, Jon, Jeff, Kari

- I. Open/Call to order: Jon
- II. Secretary minutes: Notes will be emailed out and everyone has 24 hours to respond with any changes they have before they will be posted to the web site.
- III. Treasurers report: Dan walked through the finances
- IV. Old business
 - a. Board members – we discussed needing to 3 more board members for a total of 15. That is required if we want to get a gambling license.
- V. New business:
 - a. Committee Chairs: Jon provided a document with the committee assignments and responsibilities of each committee.
 - i. Facilities – Brian
 1. Winter staffing
 - a. Hours
 - i. Tuesdays & Thursday 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 - ii. Saturdays 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
 - iii. Sundays 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm
 2. Staffing schedule – Opens on January 1.
 - a. We need top get a copy of Ashley’s calendar from last year and create one for this year. Email everyone to get ideas of days that will/won’t work for them.
 - b. Tomm to get clinic dates to Brian to add to calendar
 - c. Neil/Jon to get any other reserved dates to Brian to add to the calendar
 - ii. Equipment – Jean
 1. We have a few bags yet to collect from last year
 2. Need to empty shed at Sibley in case of spring floods
 3. Talked about uniforms – discussed having players pay for pants in the future.
 - iii. Fundraising – Neil
 1. We are on pace for the year.
 2. Neil spoke with Paul Vogel from City of Mankato about facility space.
 3. Gambling – Phil is working on this. Need to attend class and complete lots of paperwork.
 - iv. Tournament –
 1. Phil will help with things while Chris is away.

2. Need to make sure tournaments are posted to Peppers web site as well as other web sites
 3. Discussed dedicating one of our tournaments to the Waconia girl who played her last games here last year before she tragically passed away
- v. Lil' Peppers - Tomm
1. We reviewed the email from Nate. He sent details for us to access the surveys from this last summer. Nate pointed out the following points:
 - a. Continue to strive for strong communication. Parents liked the information posted on the web site.
 - b. Couple responses about equipment – helmets too small, bats too heavy
 - c. Couple of responses that liked the new t-shirt style jersey and one that liked the old reversible one
 - d. Improve on communication of rule changes & encourage coaches to be consistent and clear as to how they will be enforced. Have a stronger rules meeting during the coaches clinic or a separate rules meeting ahead of time. We could also consider sending rules reminders to coaches throughout the season. Also make sure rules are visible and easy to find on the web site.
 - e. A couple surveys were critical of the Roe Crest fields. Phil said he would take care of this.
 2. Very positive response from all the clinics, camps, and most of the parent/volunteer coaches
- vi. Jr Peppers – Tomm discussed things that we need to start working on
1. Need to set costs
 2. Press release about the new program and the fees
 3. Program descriptions – look for them on the web site and update them
 4. Determine league – Suburban? Southern Star?
 5. State tourney schedule
 6. Clinics – coaches & players
- vii. Peppers Traveling – Phil
1. Surveys – document was provide for our review
- viii. Player Development – Tomm
1. Committee chairs need to let Tomm know what clinics they want and he will help set them up
 2. Kari will remove Sean Hall's information from our web site
 3. Discussed coaching clinics and paying for them to go. A motion was made and seconded to pay 50% of clinic costs up to \$100. The board voted and approved this.
- ix. Operations – Jon

1. Committee meetings – Chairs need to invite Tomm and Jon to all meetings
2. Hall of Fame – Phil, Tomm, Neil, and Jon will meet to discuss names of candidates to be inducted
3. Kari discussed web site upgrades – \$600 to get the responsive (Mobile ready) option. We will also get the tournament and online registration feature for free. They will waive the setup costs. Kari confirmed that our annual fees for this will not increase. The board approved moving forward with this.

VI. Other/Open

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Next meeting: December 16th – 7pm