

Arrowhead Fast Pitch League Association
Board Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2020, 6pm
Tele-Meeting via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Present via Zoom: Pat Shelton, Dennis Peterson, Theresa Leopold, John Stevens, Kelly Goeb, Melissa Stevens

1. Insurance. Pat has reviewed insurance options and recommends we stay with USSSA as they offer the best coverage for the cost.
2. Construction Update. Duluth has planned to renovate Wheeler and Wade 7. They plan on starting construction in August, presumably after our season is over.
3. COVID update. We discussed there are many unknowns as of now. Minnesota currently has a stay at home order until May 4, Wisconsin until May 26. Those dates may change. Neither state has made a decision about the spring high school seasons. Chances are high that our summer season will be delayed, and perhaps even canceled. We discussed options if our season should be delayed.
 - Shortening the season options:
 - Recalculating registration cost for the number of weeks played. Kelly will check with Cloquet and Dennis with Duluth if our field usage amounts would change with a shortened season
 - Perhaps adding games on Thursdays so some age groups would play twice per week
 - Not having playoffs, or perhaps having them as an all day Saturday event.
 - Extending into August
 - High school coaches would need a special waiver to coach beyond July 31
 - May be affected by Duluth field construction
 - Could potentially interfere with fall high school sports
 - Uncertainty if teams would still participate if the season goes into August

- Changes for upcoming season?
 - Do we get rid of handshakes at the end of the games?
 - Do we help provide any special distancing recommendations in the dugout, or cleaning suggestions between games/batters, etc?
- Kelly will reach out to coaches and community leaders to let them know we plan to have a season if we are able, though it may be delayed. Also, to see how many teams each community may have.
- We need to be ready for a quick registration, preferably only one week, should we be given the OK to have a season. We also will need to be quick about making schedules thereafter.

4. Umpires. Awaiting to hear from Jason what his availability will be this summer. And will need to continue looking for umpires for the upcoming season should we have one.

5. Next meeting. We will meet again in 2 weeks. By then, we should know more about the high school seasons and any changes in the stay at home orders.

- Zoom meeting on May 3 at 6pm. Kelly will send out invite a couple of days prior.

Adjourned at 6:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Goeb, secretary