

NPGFA

**Board Meeting minutes 12/5/2018
7:00PM Great River Energy Conference Room**

New Prague Girls Fastpitch Association Mission Statement

New Prague Girls Fastpitch Association is committed to teaching the fundamentals of competitive Fastpitch softball. We are here to promote leadership, cooperation, team skills, to deal with accomplishments and disappointments, to improve self-confidence and self-esteem and to have FUN! We do this as a feeder system to the New Prague Schools.

Board Members

Present: Alex Perkinson, Pat Perkinson, Jim Kaufman, Colleen Ambroz, Todd Pietsch, and Lisa Johnson

Not Present: Michelle Fischer and Chad Kraml

Quorum present: Yes

Others Present: Joel Munson

Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 7:00PM by Pat Perkinson

President's Report:

- Reading of mission statement by Pat Perkinson

Secretary's Report

- Reading of last meetings minutes by Alex Perkinson
- Changes:
 - Clinics start January *6th*
 - Signs: going out in Elko New Market *and New Prague* areas when registration opens (Dec. 9th)
 - All association meeting *will be January 8th*

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to approve 11/14/2018 meeting minutes.

Seconded by Todd Pietsch.

Motion passed 5-0.

Calendar:

All Board Members

- Added discussion of joining the New Prague Holiday Parade of Lights in 2019
 - July 3rd/10th board meeting
- Parent/Player Meeting: February 25th (if available)
 - Go over feedback, the season, coaches, volunteer hours, etc.
- All Association Meeting: January 8th in HS commons
 - Geared towards newer athletes/families

Treasurer's Report:

Jim Kaufman

- Above predicted budget yet; current budget = \$20,623
 - Have spent all the money we are going to spend for the rest of the year
- End of January → about \$31,433
- Actual total cost per athlete in Summer 2018:
 - 8U: \$148.62
 - 10U: \$321.20
 - 12U: \$351.91
 - 14U: \$363.52
- Actual total cost per athlete in Fall 2018:
 - 8U: \$115.44
 - 10U/12U: \$146.95
- Actual total cost per athlete in Winter Clinics 2018: \$138.03
- Overall, the association is losing money at the 10U and 12U levels with the 2018 numbers
 - costs the association more to put an athlete through our association than what they are getting charged
- 2019 season → possibility of losing about \$3,273
 - Looking at cutting costs or raising fees in the fall of 2019 or summer of 2020
 - Predicted budget at the end of 2019: \$17,027

Volunteer Coordinator's Report:

Lisa Johnson

- Updated SBDC members on the website
- Sending out videos on chalking to the board
 - Will be placed under the "Training" tab on the website
- Proposals:
 - Participate in the Parade of Lights

Webmaster Report:

Lisa Johnson

- Proposals:
 - Highlight sponsors for the website, nationals, and the association
 - Sponsors for senior scholarships or current athlete scholarships
 - Update FAQs and make more visible on the website
 - Add link to Facebook for the Softball Buying/Selling page
 - Add page as a “Trophy” page to highlight the teams and the achievements
 - Add to website for athlete/team testimonials and pictures from Dozinky/tournaments/etc.

Registration Coordinator’s Report:

Todd Pietsch

- Winter clinic registration: up and running by Sunday, December 9th
- Offer a payment plan for the summer season → two payments versus paying all at once
 - Won’t get the early registration discount then

Tournament/League Coordinator:

Colleen Ambroz

- T-shirt boards at the banks can be used - FREE
 - “Not a lot of space to put information on”
 - Round Bank allows up to 10 days up until the date
- No dates for league meetings yet

SBDC Report:

Joel Munson

- Next SBDC meeting is Sunday, December 9th
- New Chairperson:
 - Option #1: Cannot be a head coach, but can be an assistant coach
 - Option #2: Cannot coach at all
- Vice Chairperson:
 - Need to have one just like the board has a President and Vice President
 - They are able to vote
- Play Ball! Minnesota Coaches Conference
 - Level II training for coaches
 - \$20 registration fee → group rate for 20+ people (about \$400)

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to allocate \$400 for the Play Ball! Minnesota Coaches Conference for Level II coach's training (offer available to all coaches within the NPGFA, high school coaches, and coaches to other communities).

Seconded by Alex Perkinson.

Motion passed 5-0.

Other Business:

- Field Improvement priorities
 - Budget about \$5,000
 - Flag pole between four high school fields
 - Cost: about \$1,000
 - Must get approved by the high school
 - Poles for the JV field fence → looking for more heavy duty poles
 - Cost: about \$400-\$500
 - Batting cage net
 - Cost: about \$500
 - Just need to order
 - Windscreen options from Sean Crawford
 - Submit to the booster club and high school coaching staff
 - NPGFA prefers one of the black designs
 - Cost: \$2,400

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to allocate up to \$2,500 for the windscreen for the Varsity outfield fence (final design chosen by the booster club and high school coaching staff).

Seconded by Jim Kaufman.

Motion passed 5-0.

- Coaching evaluations
 - Proposal: Go over coaching evaluations with the coaches

Table Until Next Meeting:

- Topics for NPGFA Player/Parent Meeting

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Alex Perkinson.

Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05PM.

Next meeting 1/2/2018 at Great River Energy Conference Room at 7:00PM.