

WRYSA Board Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2021
Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School

Attendance: Joan Carroll, Wes Kurszewski, Jill Cavanaugh, Aaron Carroll, Paul Lohman, Shad Williams, Sherry Marzofka, Bill Oswald, Kathy Dillingham, Chad Dillingham, Kari Vollert, Josh Freeman, Troy Freeman, Jeff Szelagowski, Angie Susa, Andy Cavanaugh, Eric Millard

Not present: Charlie Nelson, Shane Blaser, Shane Steltenpohl,Carolynn Martin, Cal Homann

Guests: 4

1. Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm.
2. Minutes – minutes from the December 16, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by A. Cavanaugh, second by K. Vollert to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.
3. Rafters Fundraising Opportunities – members from the Rafters organization presented different fundraising ideas available to us. We will certainly host two 50/50 nights like previously – potential dates are the end of July and beginning of August. Other opportunities will be reviewed to see how they would best fit within our season.
4. Reports
 - a. President’s report – Things are moving along well for the season with league registration opening on February 1. Flyers will be finalized this week and sent out to schools for distribution.
 - b. Vice President’s report – We need to help spread the word on the Quadplex, what it means for our area, and how people can donate.
 - c. Baseball tournament director – schedule for away tournaments is almost done and should be out by the end of January. Registration link for the home tournament will go live tomorrow morning. Proposal put forth to move forward with a 2nd home tournament July 30 – August 1 in conjunction with softball. This would be promoted as a “B/Silver” tournament. Motion by S. Williams, second by C. Dillingham to move forward with 2nd tournament. Motion carried.
 - d. Softball tournament director – Registration link for tournament will be done soon. Away tournaments are booked, and information will be out shortly.
 - e. Treasurer’s Report – financial update was emailed to board members before meeting. More things will start to happen as money starts to come in when league registration and tournament registration links go live. Motion made by C. Dillingham, second by P. Lohman to accept treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried.
 - i. Signage – Letters have been mailed with 80 renewal letters and 160 prospective letters going out. To date, six renewals have been received and three new sign sponsors have committed. One business made a general donation.
 - f. Concessions – we need to start putting a plan in place regarding COVID, so we are ready to go when season opens. Committee is looking to scale down offers for this year.

- g. Fundraising – committee met on January 18 and have set the following fundraising events: Bags tournament on April 17th at Double Down, golf outing on August 20th at Lake Arrowhead, 50/50 nights at the Rafters (dates TBD), Walk/Run (date TBD), Dining nights, and opening day bake sale.
 - h. Apparel – Tournament uniforms are almost ready to be ordered. Baseball hats will be ordered separately through Sully's this year. League shirts will need to be ordered also. Last year we found a local vendor for this at a significant price savings. A. Susa will handle the ordering of these shirts and K. Vollert will help with sorting and distribution when they come in.
5. Discussion and possible action on donation to Quadplex – At the December board meeting, we table further discussion on a donation until we were farther into the season as we could financially commit to a donation amount at that time. Since the December meeting, we have been provided with an opportunity to spread our payments out over several years instead of paying a lump sum the first year. Discussion was held on what this may look like and what may need to happen (or not happen) to contribute. Motion made by J. Freeman, second by E. Millard to donate \$6,000 per year for the next five years instead of any major updates to fields for the 2021 season. Motion carried.
6. Discussion and possible action on league registration – discussion held on pricing structure for registration. It has been many, many years since prices have increased. Motion made by K. Vollert, second by J. Freeman to keep registration fee for tball at \$25.00 with no registration offset and all other ages at \$55.00 with registration offset. Motion carried. Motion made by J. Szelagowski, second by J. Freeman to increase buyout option to \$45.00. motion carried.
- Discussion held on a registration offset option different than candy bars. S. Marzofka presented an option of doing Kwik Trip car wash cards. Discussion held on pros and cons for this versus staying with candy bars. Motion by E. Millard, second by J. Freeman to change to Kwik Trip cards. Motion carried.
7. Next Meeting – Regular board meeting will be Wednesday, February 24 @ 6:00 pm.
8. Catch all – nothing currently.

Adjourn – motion to adjourn at 7:54 pm made by A. Cavanaugh, second by J. Freeman. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Jill Cavanaugh, Secretary

WRYSA Board Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2021
Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School

Attendance: Bill Oswald, Shad Williams, Joan Carroll, Wes Kurszewski, Jill Cavanaugh, Aaron Carroll, Paul Lohman, Sherry Marzofka, , Kathy Dillingham, Chad Dillingham, Josh Freeman, Troy Freeman, Jeff Szelagowski, Angie Susa, Andy Cavanaugh, Carolyn Martin

Not present: Charlie Nelson, Shane Blaser, Shane Steltenpohl, Cal Homann, Kari Vollert, Eric Millard

Guests: 2

1. Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm.
2. Minutes – minutes from the January 20, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by A. Susa, second by C. Dillingham to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Reports
 - a. President’s report – Moving forward, agendas will be done earlier than this one was. Policies are still being reviewed and revised and will come before the full board in coming months. Registration – we were not able to hand out flyers at schools which may be impacting our numbers. This policy has changed so flyers are being done for distribution. Teams of tomorrow through the Rafters has all girls’ teams and seven boys’ teams interested.
 - b. Vice President’s report – nothing to report.
 - c. Softball tournament director – home tournament is ½ full and all away tournaments are scheduled and registered. Will most likely need a discussion in the future on what we are doing for the 14u team for registration as there will not be enough kids for a league.
 - d. Treasurer’s Report – financial update was emailed to board members before meeting. Tournament income is starting to come in and go out as tournaments are finalized. Question on renewing contract for garbage – we will stay with current company. Kwik Trip application needs to be completed for cards. Information was given to B. Oswald. Questions asked for additional information for line items, savings account, cash on hand, and what expenses we have upcoming. Motion made by C. Dillingham, second by J. Szelagowski to accept treasurer’s report as presented. Motion carried by majority with A. Susa opposed.
 - i. Signage – Renewals continue to be returned with \$6,850.00 secured and \$7,600 still outstanding. Sponsorship efforts will continue with finalization being such that signs can be hung up or taken down at field clean up night.
 - e. Concessions – committee is looking for guidance on what concessions may look like this year. Items related to COVID and ordering are main concerns.
 - f. Fundraising – Bags’ tournament is April 17 at Double Down, Rafter 50/50 nights will be August 12 and 14, golf outing is August 20 at Lake Arrowhead, Walk/Run is tentatively scheduled for September 18. Dining nights are still being worked on as well as an opening day bake sale. There is a gun raffle with drawing being opening day. S. Williams has tickets for anyone interested in selling. Tickets at \$20.00 each or 6 for \$100.00.

- g. Baseball tournament director – June home tournament has 39 teams and the registration link for the July tournament will be ready soon. We are looking for players at the 13u and 10u age levels. An email will go out to those families registered for league in those age groups to see if there is any interest.
 - h. Apparel – League shirts will be different colors and have WRYSA on the front. We are using a different vendor this year which will be a significant cost savings. Tournament uniform lockers have closed with 64 baseball orders, 15 softball orders, and 66 hat orders. Fan apparel will be coming out soon. Discussion held on late fees for families that did not order in time. We currently have 6 families in this situation. This year, fee will be distributed among appropriate families with a more formal plan for the 2022 season.
- 4. Next Meeting – Regular board meeting will be Wednesday, March 17 @ 6:00 pm at Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School cafeteria. Baseball committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 4 @ 6:30 pm at South Wood County Recreation Center. Executive board meeting on Wednesday, March 10 @ 6:00 pm at Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School library.
 - 5. Catch all – Registration: deadline needs to be extended to allow for greater numbers. New deadline is March 19. Opening day will be May 15. S. Williams will be meeting with some individuals about field/machinery maintenance for this season. This meeting will include those that have done this previously so they can provide guidance.

Adjourn – motion to adjourn at 7:57 pm made by A. Cavanaugh, second by S. Marzofka. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Jill Cavanaugh, Secretary

WRYSA Board Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2021
Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School

Attendance: Bill Oswald, Shad Williams, Joan Carroll, Wes Kurszewski, Jill Cavanaugh, Aaron Carroll, Paul Lohman, Sherry Marzofka, Kathy Dillingham, Chad Dillingham, Troy Freeman, Jeff Szelagowski, Andy Cavanaugh, Charlie Nelson, Eric Millard, Cal Homann, Kari Vollert

Not present: Shane Blaser, Josh Freeman, Angie Susa,Carolynn Martin, Shane Steltenpohl

Guests: 2

1. Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm.
2. Minutes – minutes from the February 24, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Date of registration deadline should be March 19. Motion made by W. Kurszewski, second by K. Vollert to approve minutes with correction noted. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Reports
 - a. President’s report – Policies draft is almost complete and will be distributed soon for review. Lease agreements are in the process of being updated also.
 - b. Vice President’s report – Eben Peck will be the maintenance person and has met with previous maintenance individuals for a review of processes. A lot of clean up needs to happen at the fields which may require a dumpster. E-Con Electric is interested in the open scoreboard sponsor area. Rudolph is not going to have league this season so their kids will register and integrate into our registration. We will need to find people to mow at least two times per week.
 - c. Softball tournament director – division coordinators are almost secure. A softball committee meeting will need to happen in the next week or so. Draft night is April 7th. We will have enough girls for an 8u tournament team and looks like we will also be able to field a second 12u team.
 - d. Baseball league coordinators – Most division coordinators are set, and work is now happening on securing coaches.
 - e. Baseball tournament director – we were able to fill the 10u white team but still need some help for the 13u white team.
 - f. Treasurer’s Report – Report was emailed out to the committee for review. Report included line items this month to help answer some questions that have be asked. We do need look at putting a budget together for future years to better see anticipated costs in each area. Items of note – tournament fees have been paid out and will be recouped in July when tournament player fees are collected; Field maintenance usually costs \$10,000; we should be good on netting and fencing for this year; we usually spend \$2,500.00 on replacement signs; we also have upcoming – league t-shirts, concession start-up purchases, tournament award, tournament umpires, and league charter. We also need to review our Pepsi contract. Motion by A. Cavanaugh, second by K. Vollert to approved. Motion carried unanimously.
 - g. Concessions – Kari, Bill, and Sherry met last week to start process for this season. Plan is to have concessions like previous years but will probably need to include COVID

protocols. Mark from Holiday is getting together what we have ordered in the past and a delivery schedule for the season. Sherry has talked with McCain's about French fries and Kari has talked with Dairy Queen and King Cone. Pepsi contract is up and we need to decide if we are renewing or looking elsewhere. If we do look elsewhere, we need to look at replacements for the coolers Pepsi provides. Consideration is being given to purchasing cash registers to replace the cash drawers. This will help with inventory and human error. Committee will set up a meeting with Joan to discuss start up money, deposits, etc.

- h. Fundraising – work continues for the Bags' tournament April 17 at Double Down, a dining night is set at Taco John's for April 28th, and discussion has taken place with a t-shirt vendor for the home tournaments. Gun raffle is going well, and any unpurchased tickets will be available for purchase at the bags' tournament. A request will go out shortly looking for volunteers for the bags' tournament.
4. Discussion and possible action on Field Clean up Night and responsibilities – Date is Wednesday, April 14th from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm with equipment pick up for league coaches happening right after. Discussion held on designated areas per team and a meeting area for new people to ask questions and gathering information.
5. Discussion and possible action on Kellner Field usage – request was received from Firepro Fastpitch to rent facility again this year for a fall camp held August 7 & 8, 2021. Discussion was held on what camp entails, how it is run, what WRYSA would be asked to provide, rental fee, and how requests for other organizations would be handled. Motion by A. Cavanaugh to approve rental of fields for August 6-8 pending school approve. Any future requests will be handled on a case-by-case basis. Motion seconded by E. Millard. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Discussion and possible action on league pitching policy for baseball – baseball committee met and discussed improving communication between league and tournament coaches. Committee also recommended league rules be changed to read "2 consecutive innings" for pitching rules.
7. Discussion and possible action on travel team fundraiser(s) for baseball and softball – Information from the gaming commission has updated how raffles can be run which means a change to our tournament team fees to comply. Options were discussed including Kwik Trip car wash cards or coffee sales. Discussion was also held on providing an option to pay fees directly. Decision will be discussed at the executive board meeting on March 24th for which options to provide.
8. Catch all – baseball clinics are set for April 20 (8u) and April 22 (10u) from 5:00- 7:00 pm.
9. Next meeting – Wednesday, April 21 at Kellner fields at 6:00 pm.

Adjourn – motion to adjourn at 7:58 pm made by C. Nelson, second by K.Vollert. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Jill Cavanaugh, Secretary

WRYSA Board Meeting Minutes
April 24, 2021
Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School

Attendance: Bill Oswald, Shad Williams, Joan Carroll, Jill Cavanaugh, Angie Susa, Sherry Marzofka, Kathy Dillingham, Chad Dillingham, Troy Freeman, Jeff Szelagowski, Josh Freeman

Not present: Wes Kurszewski (softball clinic), Aaron Carroll, Shane Blaser, Charlie Nelson, Paul Lohman (softball clinic), Andy Cavanaugh (softball clinic) Carolynn Martin, Shane Steltenpohl, Eric Millard, Kari Vollert, Cal Homann

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.
2. Minutes – minutes from the March 17, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by J. Carroll, second by S. Williams to approve minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Reports
 - a. President's report – Thank you to everyone for their hard work and please thank any volunteers that help in any capacity. Quadplex field usage has been discussed between legion, WRYSA, and high schools. Ways to accommodate everyone will continue to be a high priority. Teams of tomorrow information needs to be to Bill by April 29 for which teams are doing which nights. Idea proposed for walkie talkies to be purchased for use at fields. This would be particularly useful during tournaments when maintenance or tournament director need to be contacted quickly. It would be nice if board members were able to be recognizable quickly at our home tournaments if needed. We also need to have more board members be engaged and involved.
 - b. Vice President's report – We are still looking for volunteers to cut grass. Thank you to Scott Whitrock for his work the last couple days placing clay bricks in batters boxes on fields 3 & 4.
 - c. Softball tournament director – division coordinators are almost secure. A softball committee meeting will need to happen in the next week or so. Draft night is April 7th. We will have enough girls for an 8u tournament team and looks like we will also be able to field a second 12u team.
 - d. Baseball league coordinators – 15u league needed a little work around because of high school ball. Everything for all other age groups is set.
 - e. Baseball tournament director – We have moved to a 14u Red, 14u White, and a 14/13 combined team as we were not able to fill out a second 13u team.
 - f. Softball tournament director - we are still looking for teams for the home tournament.
 - g. Treasurer's Report – Report for month end 3/31/21 was emailed out to the committee for review. An estimate was given as to upcoming expenses and potential revenue (see Attachment A) Motion by S. Williams, second by C. Dillingham to approve as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
 - h. Apparel - The first order of tournament uniforms have come in and sorting has begun. Hat order and league shirts have been ordered. Fan apparel link will be available tomorrow with an end date of May 2, 2021. A. Susa reached out to a graphic artist to begin a redesign of the brand for next year. Cost would be around \$300.00. Decision made to move forward.

- i. Signs - \$11,650 has been collected (\$10,150 for 2021, \$1,500 from 2020) - 47 have paid (8 new), 29 have been invoiced but not paid, 18 removed, 11 comped businesses. New signs should be here any day.
 - j. Concessions – Working on contacting vendors and 1st orders will be placed shortly. We need to look at bringing stuff back from Robinson and Mead fields if we are not utilizing those areas. Menu will be less than previous years and a propane tank has been donated by AmeriGas. Discussion held on air dryers for restrooms. Motion made by S. Marzorfka, second by C. Dillingham to move forward with purchase if cost is less than \$1,200.00. Motion carried.
 - k. Fundraising – Bags tournament was very successful with total revenue of over \$14,000.00. Expenses are still being paid but we should clear over \$10,000.00. We have a dining night at Taco John's coming up on April 28 as well as the opening day bake sale on May 15. Wheelers will again be doing a \$20.00 donation per test drive on opening day. We also have two Raters 50/50 nights, the golf outing on August 20 and Walk/Run on September 18.
- 4. COVID communications - recommended guidelines were handed out (Attachment B). Other local organization guidelines were looked at and incorporated as appropriate. Email will go out shortly to all league families with this information.
 - 5. Concession point of sale devices - Suggestion brought up to purchase a point of sale system for concessions which would make things easier on workers/concessions coordinators/treasurer. This would also help with inventory and would allow us to accept credit cards. We would put a minimum purchase amount on any credit card transactions. Costs is roughly \$1,500 for three machines, \$2,000.00 for four. Motion made by B. Oswald, second by A. Susa to purchase four machines not to exceed \$2,500.00. Motion carried.
 - 6. Opening Day - J. Carroll will contact American Legion, B. Oswald will work with Wheelers, K. Dillingham will head up bake sale, E. Millard will handle gun raffle.
 - 7. Next meeting – none scheduled at this time.

Adjourn – motion to adjourn at 7:58 pm made by C. Dillingham, second by J. Freeman. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Jill Cavanaugh, Secretary

WRYSA Board Meeting Minutes
August 18, 2021
Kellner Ball Fields

Attendance: Bill Oswald, Shad Williams, Joan Carroll, Wes Kurszewski, Jill Cavanaugh, Paul Lohman, Sherry Marzofka, Kathy Dillingham, Chad Dillingham, Troy Freeman, Jeff Szelagowski, Kari Vollert, Angie Susa, Josh Freeman

Not present: Shane Blaser, Charlie Nelson, Andy Cavanaugh, Eric Millard, Cal Homann, Aaron Carroll,Carolynn Martin, Shane Steltenpohl

Guests: 12

1. Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm.
2. Minutes – minutes from the April 24, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by A. Susa, second by C. Dillingham to approve minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Reports
 - a. President’s report – thank you to everyone involved in anyway with a successful year. Communications platforms for 2021 will start to close down for season. Email communications went out to current board to gauge interest in continuing on board next year so we can see what we need to do for recruitment for the October annual meeting. Uniforms/Branding continue to move forward. Angie will speak to this later in the meeting. Looking into a player/parent/coach conduct form as well as a system for field reservations next year.
 - b. Vice President’s report – planning for additional batting cage and player warm-up area behind field 2 as well as parking across from field 1/maintenance building. We have looked into having fields redone and received a quote of \$14,000.00.
 - c. Baseball league coordinators – nothing to report.
 - d. Softball league coordinator – nothing at this time. Committee will look to meet between now and January to discuss rule changes, etc.
 - e. Softball tournament director – 2022 teams were posted yesterday online. We were able to field one full team at 10s, 12s, and 14s. Looking for a few more players to fill out a second team at 12u.
 - f. Baseball tournament director – Sandlot tournament was a success as was the Silver Sluggers tournament the end of July. Tryouts for 2022 teams were August 14 with high participation. We are waiting for one team before posting results. Explanation was given as to how teams are formed.
 - g. Treasurer’s Report – verbal report given and overall, 2021 was a strong financial year. We currently have a balance of roughly \$134,000 with a few things left to pay (gun raffle to Ace Hardware, Rapids Signs for boards, City of Wisconsin Rapids for Robinson Park usage, and a few Holiday items). That should put us at about \$110,000.00 to go towards 2022 – concession startup, insurance, field improvements, initial registrations for tournaments.
 - h. Apparel – logos were distributed for review. Discussion held on pros/coms on moving forward. Request given of red pants for softball side.

- i. Concessions – year went well as sales were almost \$84,000.00. Decision to go with Square as a point of sales device was well received, worked well, and easy to use. We were able to generate \$5,000.00 in credit card sales that might not have been recognized with this system. Scaling back on the menu was also a wise move. A few things to look at for next year – lights be grillers/fryers would be very helpful and area should be fenced in. Concession worker list needs to be out sooner, and coaches need a better understanding of how concessions is staffed for interleague tournaments and rain nights.
 - j. Fundraising – Things have gone well this year with two more events to go. The golf outing is scheduled for Friday, August 20 and walk/run will take place on September 18.
- 4. Handicap parking – questions on what is considered handicap parking down by field 1/maintenance building. Current sign is unclear. Moving forward we will remove large sign and leave individual signs on fence. Discussion on adding additional spots in east parking area by field 5.
 - 5. Discussion and possible action to approve board members – we currently have two openings on the board and interested parties to fill them. Motion made by J. Freeman, second by P. Lohman to elect Betsy Borski and Chris Stoflet to the board. Motion carried unanimously.
 - 6. Discussion on more open communications between executive board and full board as well as more committee input in meetings.
 - 7. Next meeting – Wednesday, September 15 at Kellner fields.
 - a. Executive board – 5:00 pm
 - b. Full board – 6:00 pm

Adjourn – motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm made by W. Kurszewski, second by C. Dilligham. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Jill Cavanaugh, Secretary

WRYSA Board Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2021
Kellner Ball Fields

Attendance: Bill Oswald, Shad Williams, Wes Kurszewski, Jill Cavanaugh, Paul Lohman, Angie Susa, Sherry Marzofka, Kathy Dillingham, Chad Dillingham, Troy Freeman, Josh Freeman, Betsy Borski

Not present: Joan Carroll, Aaron Carroll, Shane Blaser, Charlie Nelson, Andy Cavanaugh, Eric Millard, Cal Homann,Carolynn Martin, Shane Steltenpohl, Jeff Szelagowski, Kari Vollert

1. Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm.
2. Minutes – minutes from the August 18, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by B. Oswald, second by B. Borski to approve minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Reports
 - a. President’s report – Just a reminder for anyone not interested in continuing on the board next year, please let Bill know. We are also working on a monthly to do list to make sure everything is done when needed. If you have anything to add, please let Bill know. COVID expectations – as we look to winter workouts, please be aware of COVID restrictions/expectations at the facilities we are using and follow whatever guidelines outlined. Equipment coordinators will be putting together a list of equipment that should be replaced for next season (both league and tournament) so that we can be ready to go by next season with new equipment.
 - b. Vice President’s report – planning for fields upgrades continue and quote received remains at roughly \$14,000.00. We would also like to have sprinklers put in the in fields so watering infields is easier. We received a quote from a surveyor of roughly \$1,400.00 for the batting cage and parking lot areas. Phases of projects – 1) redo infields, surveying areas, and sprinkler update; 2) batting cages and parking lots; 3) fence in grillers and dumpsters areas. New location for dumpsters will be needed. We will have field clean up on October 7th and also need to winterize the sprinkler system and concessions.
 - c. Baseball league coordinators – nothing to report.
 - d. Softball league coordinator – nothing at this time.
 - e. Baseball tournament director – nothing at this time.
 - f. Softball tournament director – there are a few teams playing in fall tournaments yet this year. Nothing else to report.
 - g. Treasurer’s Report – report was emailed out to board before meeting. Questions were compiled and Jill will email to Joan for answers before October meeting.
 - h. Apparel – Hoping to have an update by the October meeting. One suggestion received was to change softball to fastpitch which will be incorporated going forward. Need to have a discussion on how logo should be distributed and to whom.
 - i. Concessions – nothing really to report. Still working on getting rid of some leftover product that couldn’t be returned. There are a few areas on the concession building that need to be addressed and the dumpsters and garbage cans need to be collected. We will have to look at fryers/grills for next season and should have some pricing by the October meeting. We also need to have the fire extinguishers recharged/checked over.

- j. Fundraising – The golf outing went very well and was well received. The walk/run was cancelled due to lack of participation. We did incur roughly \$200.00 in cancellation fees.
- 4. WRYSA app – Question was asked if we would like one app for softball and one for baseball or one encompassing both? Decision to only have one app. We will incur a \$300.00 fee as a non-profit. This is a one-time fee. Once this is paid, app can go live whenever we would like.
- 5. Discussion and possible action on approving field/facility upgrades/maintenance – Recap of costs associated with proposed projects - \$1,400 for surveying of parking lots/batting cage areas; \$2,000 for updates to sprinkler areas on fields; \$14,000 for field improvements including having fields 2 and 3 pegged for 50/70 base paths. Motion made by A. Susa, second by J. Freeman to move forward with Phase 1. Motion carried.
- 6. Next meeting – Wednesday, October 20, location TBA.
 - a. Executive board – TBA
 - b. Full board – 6:00 pm, Wednesday October 20, location TBA.

Adjourn – motion to adjourn at 6:56 pm made by W. Kurszewski, second by C. Dilligham. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,

Jill Cavanaugh, Secretary

WRYSA Board Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2021
Biron Town Hall

Attendance: Bill Oswald, Shad Williams, Wes Kurszewski, Jill Cavanaugh, Paul Lohman, Angie Susa, Sherry Marzofka, Kathy Dillingham, Chad Dillingham, Troy Freeman, Josh Freeman, Betsy Borski, Aaron Carroll, Joan Carroll, Kari Vollert

Not present: Shane Blaser, Charlie Nelson, Andy Cavanaugh, Eric Millard, Cal Homann,Carolynn Martin, Shane Steltenpohl, Jeff Szelagowski

Guests: 4

1. Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm.
2. Minutes – minutes from the September 15, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by B. Oswald, second by B. Borski to approve minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Reports
 - a. President’s report – Thank you to all board members going off the board for your time and efforts. We have a successful season and have positive momentum moving forward. Communication and transparency will continue to be key points next year. Surveyor has completed work at the ball fields and information was given to WRPS for next steps.
 - b. Vice President’s report – Hopefully fields will be completed yet this year. Field 1 will move from a temporary mound to a clay mound.
 - c. Baseball league coordinators – nothing to report.
 - d. Softball league coordinator – nothing to report.
 - e. Baseball tournament director – nothing to report.
 - f. Softball tournament director – nothing to report.
 - g. Treasurer’s Report – report was emailed out to board before meeting. Not much has changed since last month. We are wrapping up a few things from the season and have the regular utilities bills. Discussion on non-resident fees paid to the city for use of Robinson & Mead and if it is beneficial to keep these agreements. Costs per year is roughly \$4,000.00 for the non-resident fee on top of the utilities we pay. We are also waiting for the invoice from Rapids Signs. Clarification questions were asked and answered for a few areas. Motion by B. Oswald, second by J. Freeman to approve financials as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
 - h. Apparel – Email and Facebook notices went out for an apparel order for delivery by Christmas. Ideas received for uniforms were sent back to be reworked.
 - i. Concessions – nothing really to report. Looking for new fryers for next year and possibly a different vendor.
4. **Executive Board Election:**

President – Bill Oswald (Unanimous motion to appoint B. Oswald president made by A. Susa, second by B. Borski. Without objection, so moved)

Vice President – Shad Williams (Unanimous motion to appoint S. Williams vice president made by B. Oswald, C. Dillingham. Without objection, so moved)

Treasurer – Joan Carroll is stepping down. Thank you, Joan for your service. (Unanimous motion to appoint Angie Susa treasurer by B. Borski, second J. Freeman. Without objection, so moved)

Secretary – Jill Cavanaugh (Unanimous motion to appoint J. Cavanaugh secretary by S. Marzofka, second J. Freeman. Without objection, so moved)

Baseball Tournament Coordinator – Wes Kurszewski is stepping down. Thank you, Wes for your service. (Unanimous motion to appoint Betsy Borski Baseball Tournament Coordinator by J. Cavanaugh, second A. Susa. Without objection, so moved)

Softball Tournament Coordinator – Paul Lohman – (Unanimous motion to appoint P. Lohman Softball Tournament Coordinator by B. Oswald, second W. Kurszewski. Without objection, so moved)

Board Member Election:

Baseball Division Coordinator – Chris Stoflet

Softball Division Coordinator – Wes Kurszewski

Concession Coordinator – Sherry Marzofka

Maintenance Coordinator – Kelsey Helmuth

Fundraiser Coordinator – Erika Langfoss

Umpire Coordinator – Keesha Stoflet

Equipment Coordinator – Baseball – Tex Anderle

Equipment Coordinator – Softball – Chad Williams

Uniform/ League Apparel Coordinator – Kari Vollert (Nicki Williams will assist)

Schedule Coordinator – Jill Cavanaugh

Signs – will be headed up through the fundraising committee

Baseball Clinic Coordinator – baseball committee driven

Softball Clinic Coordinator – softball committee driven

Capital Improvements – Executive board driven

Dibs Coordinator – Cara Abts

Website Coordinator – OPEN

Apps Communication – Betsy Borski

Opening day committee – Bill has a lead

Troy Freeman

Josh Freeman

5. Discussion on dibs system for next year. Rough number of hours needed for fundraisers, concessions, maintenance, and any other areas need to be given to Cara ASAP so this can begin.
6. Next meeting –
 - a. Executive board – 7:00 pm, Wednesday, November 3, WRAMS
 - b. Full board – 6:00 pm, Wednesday, November 17, Biron Town Hall.

Adjourn – motion to adjourn at 7:39 pm made by B. Oswald, second by S. Marzofka. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,
Jill Cavanaugh, Secretary

WRYSA Board Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2021
Biron Town Hall

Attendance: Bill Oswald, Shad Williams, Jill Cavanaugh, Paul Lohman, Angie Susa, Sherry Marzofka, Troy Freeman, Betsy Borski, Tex Anderle, Erika Langfoss, Keesha Stoflet, Chris Stoflet, Cara Abts

Not present: Wes Kurszewski, Josh Freeman, Kelsey Helmuth, Kari Vollert, Chad Williams

Guests: 3

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.
2. Minutes – minutes from the October 20, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by B. Oswald, second by S. Marzofka to approve minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Reports
 - a. President’s report – For committee meetings, please share agenda and dates with Betsy for distribution on app. We are also having our insurance reviewed to make sure we are covered appropriately. Information given on lack of indoor facility usage through the schools except what is offered through baseball open gym times.
 - b. Vice President’s report – fields will be redone in the spring.
 - c. Baseball league coordinator – nothing to report.
 - d. Softball league & tournament report – meeting held last week with discussion on ways to increase participation numbers for both league and tournament, pace of play, rules, and an end of the season tournament game.
 - e. Baseball tournament director – app will be going live in the next week. We will have a tournament coaches meeting soon to start planning the 2022 calendar.
 - f. Treasurer’s Report – report was emailed out to board before meeting. Current balance in checking account is \$118,821.15. We did receive a gift from Rural Mutual of \$1,500.00. We also have an old endowment fund through In courage Foundation which they are letting us out of. Payment should be about \$3,300.00. We need to review contracts with the city for Mead and Robinson and evaluate if these should continue. We pay roughly \$6-7,000.00 in utilities and user fees. A note for everyone that we are a tax-exempt organization. If anyone needs the certificate, please contact Angie. We have requested a yearly audit to close out year and start 2022 fresh. Motion by B. Oswald, second by E. Langfoss to approve financials as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
 - g. Apparel – ideas were handed out and request was made to figure out which vendor we would like to use first. We can alter look later. Board agreed on using vendor 1. Pre-Christmas apparel order had 22 orders totally over \$1,700.00.
 - h. Concessions – nothing really to report. C. Stoflet checked grilles/fryers and reported findings. Information on quantities and pricing will be available by next meeting.
 - i. Dibs – Cara is collecting information on hours and opportunities available. Discussion held on what qualifies and who may be excused from dibs.
 - j. Fundraising – We are compiling dibs information from bags tournament and have a firm date of August 19, 2022 for the golf outing.

4. Discussion and possible action to approve board member(s) Motion by J. Cavanaugh, second by S. Marzofka to appoint Eric Millard to board. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by P. Lohman, second by K. Stoflet to appoint Noalee Stublaski to board. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Discussion and possible action to approve purchase of baseball equipment. League equipment is good, but we do need to look at replacing tournament equipment. More information on pricing and quantities will be available vote a December's meeting.
6. Discussion and possible action to approve registration dates for 2022. Registration will be February 1 – 20 with first round of flyers going to schools on January 19 and a reminder flyer going to schools on February 9.
7. Discussion regarding baseball and softball home tournaments. Baseball tournament is June 3-5; softball is June 17-19; and silver sluggers is July 29-31. Discussion held on hosting a fall softball tournament the 2nd or 3rd weekend in October. Nothing is firm yet for this.
8. Next meeting –
 - a. Executive board – 6:00 pm, Wednesday, December 1, WRAMS
 - b. Full board – 6:00 pm, Wednesday, December 15, Biron Town Hall.

Adjourn – motion to adjourn at 8:01 pm made by B. Oswald, second by S. Marzofka. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,
Jill Cavanaugh, Secretary

WRYSA Board Meeting Minutes
December 15, 2021
Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School

Attendance: Shad Williams, Jill Cavanaugh, Paul Lohman, Sherry Marzofka, Kelsey Helmuth, Kari Vollert, Tex Anderle, Erika Langfoss, Chris Stoflet, Cara Abts, Troy Freeman, Noalee Stublaski, Wes Kurszewski

Not present: Josh Freeman, Chad Williams, Bill Oswald, Angie Susa, Betsy Borski, Keesha Stoflet

Guests: 1

1. Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm.
2. Minutes – minutes from the November 17, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by E. Langfoss, second by K. Vollert to approve minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Reports
 - a. Maintenance – tarps for six fields for home plate and pitcher’s mounds, new mat behind drag, and three new chalkers would be roughly \$9,800. Initial questions were asked and answered, and this will be an agenda item for January meeting for discussion and approval. Dibs will also be needed for field set up and field shut down.
 - b. Baseball league coordinator – January 6 will be first meeting at East, just waiting to verify time.
 - c. Softball tournament – working on home tournament registration and hoping to have it open soon. Date has been submitted for a Fall tournament at the quad and we are waiting for approval.
 - d. Dibs – Discussion was held on what is considered for dibs, if it is per family or per athlete, etc. We will delve into this at the next exec board meeting.
4. Discussion and possible action to approve purchase of baseball and softball equipment. Equipment needed includes catchers gear, tees, balls, equipment bags, umpire gear. Cost given by distributor is roughly \$10,000.00. Motion made by S. Marzofka, second by K. Vollert to approve purchase not to exceed \$10,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.
5. Discussion and possible action to approve concession funds for equipment. We are looking to allocate \$5,000.00 each year for budget purposes for concession equipment. Equipment needs for 2022 season include three fryers at roughly \$1,000.00 each and a 4-foot grill at roughly \$1,200.00. Motion by S. Marzofka, second by K. Helmuth to approve \$5,000.00 for concession for the 2022 season. Motion carried unanimously.
6. Discussion and possible action on league fundraiser. Motion by W. Kurszewski, K. Helmuth to continue with Kwik Trip card fundraiser for league. Base fee is \$55.00 with buy out of \$45.00 or fundraiser. We make \$14.00 per card so three cards would get you to \$42.00. Motion carried unanimously.
7. Recommendation and possible action regarding field utilization and leases within City of Wisconsin Rapids. Discussion held on pros and cons on field usage. Motion by T. Anderle, second

by P. Lohman, to discontinue leases with City of Wisconsin Rapids for Robinson and Mead.
Motion carried unanimously.

8. Recommendation and possible action to replace sponsor signs. Discussion held on how often signs get redone, how much signs costs, what the plan will be for 2022. Erika will come up with a plan for how to move forward for the January meeting.
9. Recommendation and possible action to approve travel uniforms for baseball and softball. All of the information has not been received yet. Angie will send it out once it is received.
10. Next meeting –
 - a. Executive board – 6:00 pm, Wednesday, January 5, WRAMS
 - b. Full board – 6:00 pm, Wednesday, January 19, WRAMS.

Adjourn – motion to adjourn at 7:40 pm made by K. Vollert, second by E. Langfoss. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,
Jill Cavanaugh, Secretary