

Inver Grove Heights Baseball Association Meeting  
Minutes

Date: Sunday, January 11th, 2021  
5pm  
At VMCC

Board: Jeremiah Ostebo-President, Ryan Callahan-Vice President, John Schmid-Treasurer, Sarah Gutzman-Secretary

Directors: Jessica Ostebo-Fields Director, Tabitha Alberghetti-Fundraising Director, Jon Bell-Away Tournament Director, Kari Miller-Volunteer Director, Sarah Callahan-Concessions/Events Director, Jake Devney-In-house Director, Laura Devney-Media Director, Josh Norgard-Tournament Director, Jake Lundell-Equipment Director

Absent: None

Members Present: Kate Skappel, Jen Shepard

- I. Call to order by Jeremiah at 5:09 pm
- II. Approval of minutes from 12/13/2020 - Motioned by Sarah Callahan and seconded by Jon Bell
- III. Voting began
- IV. Open floor for member issues/topics – Nick resigned as Coaches Director – send email to find replacement
- V. Director Reports
  - a. **Jeremiah Ostebo/President:** No additional report.
  - b. **Ryan Callahan/Vice President:** No additional report.
  - c. **Sarah Gutzman/Secretary:** No additional report
  - d. **John Schmid – Treasurer:** end of year report.  
Charitable gambling - no revenue in Dec.  
\$17,000 expenses  
\$176,000 revenue  
\$110,000 expense  
\$71,000 net profit  
\$43,000 donations  
Tab suggested the 5% bonus on 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter since she didn't work in December  
\$3,000 for expenses for January – buying games \$1800  
Vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain
  - e. **Jon Bell – Travel Coordinator:** All away tournaments are registered.
  - f. **Josh Norgard – Tournament Director:** Links for each are up and available need to add to our website now that just about everyone who had a spot saved is signed up for their respective age groups. Will provide a breakdown on Sunday as we're getting a couple more each day. Still waiting

on the 11A to get added to our slugfest but that age group is close to full, sports engine has been a little slow to work with this year. Would like to get the high school fields reserved for Saturday June 5th for the 2 older age groups in the summer slam. We are a MBT qualifier for all 11 age groups. Gopher state is announcing there qualifiers on Friday.

We are hosting the 12AAA for gopher state that was confirmed on Monday

**g. Kari Miller – Volunteer Director**

1. Drac's passed along the below and attached. Please let me know your thoughts. – Bowling Fundraiser Idea
2. Celts has asked that we start up Raffles (meat, merchandise, liquor, etc.) Friday nights. Would like to discuss as a group how we can handle this.

**h. Nick Schiltz – Coaches Director:** Nothing new to report.

**i. Sarah Callahan – Concessions Director:** Nothing new to report.

**j. Jessica Ostebo – Fields Director:** Nothing new to report.

**k. Jake Lundell - Equipment Director:** need to figure out and budget for catching gear. Did MBL change chest protector rule, are they next year? Catchers gloves? Better game balls for all teams? Team bags or any other ideas for coaches to move equipment.

Like to add to the team bag at least one of these training aids for warmups:  
Diamond DRB-9 Foam Practice 9" Baseballs (dozen each team) \$21.19 ea  
Total Control 2.9" Training Standard Hole Ball 74 12 pack \$43.99

USA bats for one more year; chest protectors have not changed as of yet  
Price out catchers equipment for each team (get red catchers equipment) – budget \$6,000  
Decide on bags/wagon when coaches are decided – Vote: 15 yes, 0 no

**l. Laura Devney – Media and Communications Director:** Discussed putting together a sub-committee for website revamp; John S, Sarah C and Kari M volunteered to help.

**m. Jake Devney – In-House League Director:** There is not much new to report from in-house. Registration is open, the city did not place an email activities flyer due to the pause, so no ad has gone out. I will be in contact with Egan in the next couple weeks to get the season figured out.

**n. Tabitha Alberghetti – Fundraising Director:** report of the charitable gambling activities is available upon request.

**VI. Election results**

- a. President – Jeremiah with 14 votes
- b. Secretary – Sarah with 7 votes, Laura with 9 votes
- c. Positions effective immediately

**VII. Batting cage – purchased for The Shed, Jake D and Ryan C volunteered to put together**

- a. March start date for Shed practices

VIII. Shed start up dates-Need to wait to hear from Governor re-opening and also how is set up with the cages.

IX. Uniform update- Uniforms have been a work in progress here is the latest and hopefully last alteration from the uniform design committee of one. The red in the picture is not Scarlett red like it should be but it will be once we approve.

If we go the camo blue sleeved top which is screen printed and the full sub red we'll be right at our mark of \$130 if we want the other Columbia blue script (twins style throwback) we're looking at 150 per kid.

Jerseys are badger for the camo sleeved one

k1 for the full dye sublimation ones

Hat is the Richardson PTS30

Pants is evo shield (not the cheapest version)

All felt good when physically looking at them before Xmas.

X. Try-out date Set:  
March 21<sup>st</sup> at The Cages in Burnsville

Next Meeting: February 14th at 5pm, VMCC

Adjournment Motion at 6:34 pm by Jake Devney and second by Jon Bell