

Inver Grove Heights Baseball Association Meeting Agenda

Date: June 7, 2020 6pm

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

Directors: Josh Norgard-Tournament Director, Jessica Ostebo-Fields, Tabitha Alberghetti-Gambling, Jon Bell-Away Tournament Director, Kari Miller-Volunteering, Sarah Callahan-Concessions/Events, Jake Devney-InHouse Director, Laura Devney-Media Director, Jake Lundell-Equipment Director, Nick Schiltz-Coaches Director

Members Present: Brett Reinkall, Andrea Veon, Lee Miller, Nick Koester

- I. Call to order by Jeremiah at 6:04pm
- II. Approval of minutes from 5/3/2020 Motioned by Laura Devney and seconded by Nick Koester
- III. Summary of recent decisions
In-house decision to cancel was made due to Eagan and Eastview both cancelling and that is who we partner with.
- IV. Covid-19 update, phase III – medium risk
Phase 3 opens June 10 and baseball games are not on that list. Jeremiah spoke with president of MBL and he feels confident tournaments and games will be in the next phase. July 6th is the first that MBL and Gopher are planning to have any games.
- V. Open floor for member issues/topics
None
- VI. Director Reports
 - a. **Jeremiah Ostebo/President: No additional report.**
 - b. **Ryan Calahan/Vice President: No additional report.**
 - c. **Sarah Gutzman/Secretary: holding off to schedule pictures for now.**
 - d. **John Schmid – Treasurer:** Checking account has been reconciled for May. In-house players have been fully refunded. 2 outstanding refund checks haven't been cashed as of 6/5/20. Home tournament registrations: the first wave of checks were sent out in May for those that opted-out of our new June Tournament dates. Still many outstanding refund checks that associations haven't cashed yet. In anticipation of processing further refunds, set up on-line bill pay at our Bank. In June, will process all the home tournament refunds that remain for the two June home tournaments that were cancelled. Will process all the traveling refunds in June two ways. (A) Full refund for the rostered players on 6/3 when we cancelled the Spring season who don't want to sign up for the Summer season. (B) For those that sign up for the Summer season, the refund will be the difference between the Spring cost and Summer cost.
 - e. **Jon Bell – Travel Coordinator:** Have been canceling the away tournaments for the teams that were folded. Have also been reaching out to the away tournaments that have not

made a decision yet. Most of them are waiting to see what happens today.

- f. **Josh Norgard – Tournament Director:** Email going out to those still signed up notifying teams that our two spring tournaments are canceled altogether. Telling them checks will be out by the end of the month. Email has already been sent to MBT inquiring on info on the new "summer" season and how tournaments will work should we decide to host one. Doubt we'll get a reply until the governor's office ok's a return to play. But started that conversation in case we wanted it for those that do play.
- g. **Kari Miller – Volunteer Director:** Cancelling all dibs
- h. **Nick Schiltz – Coaches Director:** Emailed all coaches, including college guys, and told them about the season.
- i. **Sarah Callahan – Concessions Director:** Nothing to report
- j. **Jessica Ostebo – Fields Director:** Sent Thursday 6/4/20. Cancelled the rest of the practices at RV. Because the season hasn't even started we do NOT have to pay the city the \$13/player per the agreement. If we do a summer league, we will have to pay at that time. Cancelled the fields for the June Tournaments and also the MBT tournament July 10-12. If tournaments are played at some point and we have the option of hosting, we can talk to Julie about getting fields and try to re-coup some money. City fields are open and available, just not Rich Valley. Update from Friday 6/5/20.....Julie emailed Thursday afternoon saying she's received field requests from Club teams. She wanted to check and see if we were going to do the Summer league. Since it's easier to cancel later on, than not get any fields, Jeremiah suggested that we go ahead and tell her we will be having the same 7 teams for summer ball and need fields Mon-Thurs. The deadline to register with MBL is June 17, so asked for fields beginning June 22. We could probably start earlier for the players who plan on registering and told her we'd let her know Monday.
- k. **John Lundell - Equipment Director:** Team Equipment was handed out to the coaches at the coaches meeting on Sunday evening, minus game balls and score books. I need to know the consensus on having the coaches turn those back in until something happens over the summer or just letting them use for non-organized practices with their teams. Picked up two new 14/15 coaches uniforms and one 13A late uniform order today. With those coaches now not coaching I will put into the tub for later this year or next year. Have play it again sports looking for used, in good shape catchers helmets to possibly make a few more complete sets.
- l. **Laura Devney – Media and Communications Director:** Nothing was submitted.
- m. **Jake Devney – In-House League Director:** In-House was cancelled. Nothing else to report.
- n. **Tabitha Alberghetti – Fundraising Director:** We started charitable gambling on Monday June 1st at Celts. I have set up ACH electronic transactions with Brainerd Games and 3 Diamond Gaming to purchase equipment. I have begun to purchase the items on the 'Start up costs' list I handed last fall that was approved. At July's meeting I will report out on the expenditures that happened in June.

VII.Explanation of league options/details as we know it

July 6th-August 13th for Summer Season with the possibility of 12 game season. Would be

6 weeks with 2 games/week. No Play-offs. Will have to wait for the green light for games. As early as June 19th, could hold tournaments if the green light is given. Nothing has been said if they will have a state tournament with Gopher and MBL or MN Baseball Alliance. Gopher State and MBL both will have a season even if IGHBA does not have a season.

VIII. Open discussion on league for this season

Agreed to have Summer Season, will open pre-registration on 6/8/2020 and then let everyone know when the registration opens on 6/12. Looking to do evaluations on 6/20/2020 at Rich Valley by coaches in the Association. Will have registration open thru 6/19. Summer Season will be \$200 and does not include any tournaments. If teams do tournaments, they will need to pay that separately from the team. There will be no volunteer hours for Summer Season. We will have fields scheduled and we will allow other communities to register but they will not have a spot before IGH player. Will have registration open to all levels including high school level. Will ensure college coaches are still on board.

Next Meeting: June 28th (will be July's meeting) at 6pm at Rich Valley Park.

Adjournment Motion at 7:35pm by Lee Miller and second by Brett Reinkall