

## June 2024 Soderville Baseball Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 06/09/2024

Present: Eric P., Nate, Eric L., Terry, Troy, Corryn, Tim

Not Present: Greg

5:33 Call to Order by Eric P.

Approval of Board Minutes – No meeting minutes to approve

No public forum – baseball committee members present only

Old Business –

- Scholarships for Seniors – Scholarships approved for Mike Richmond and Jackson Potthoff
- Storage Container at City – Plan is for Ham Lake city to level area for storage container with street sweepings, then we can put the storage container in place. Estimated timeframe is two weeks.
- Batting Cage updates – The location for the batting cage has been staked out and post locations marked. We need to figure out where we will get the aggregate. Eric L. will talk with Jesse to determine how much aggregate is needed and then Corryn will talk with the City to see if they can supply the aggregate and the cost.

New Business –

- Assistant coach removed from A-Town Classic
  - After considerable discussion, the committee agreed on recommendations of a permanent coaching ban from Soderville baseball and a ban from attending games at City Park and Booster Park for the remainder of this season. These recommendations will be submitted to the Board for a final decision.
  - To reduce likelihood of future coach misconduct incidents, the committee proposed requiring Trusted Coaches Certification for all Soderville baseball coaches (head coaches and assistant coaches) and limiting number of adults in dugout to a maximum of three coaches and one scorekeeper.
- Discuss Tournament Date for 2025 Soderville/Ham Lake Classic – minimal discussion on this topic. The tentative date is Mother's Day Weekend.
- Rule clarification – no discussion on this topic.
- Discussions about Tournament Ball –
  - Tournament Ball fee will be raised by \$10 for 2025.
  - Registration will be opened in mid-August.
  - Need to begin recruiting coaches for Tournament Ball now.
- Proposal to add an Umpire Coordinator position on the committee - Troy motioned to add this role. Nate second. Motion carried.
- Ham Lake Hornets using Soderville fields – question was raised about providing access to field maintenance tools and equipment for the three dates they will use the fields. There was general agreement that they could use field maintenance tools for a small fee (\$15 per game). Eric P. will discuss with the Hornets.

Committee Reports –

- Budget – We are behind on budget due primarily to lower youth registration and over-budget on uniforms.
- Tournaments
  - Ordering awards for 6U/8U and 10U and 12U
  - Directors needed for
    - 6U & 8U (July 12-14) - Nate
    - 10U & 12U (July 19 & 21) - TBD
    - 13U All-Star (Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>) - TBD
    - 13U and 12U Rec State (Aug 9-12) – Check with Greg and Pete
- Junior League Baseball – Going well
- Senior League Baseball (12U and up) – Have had some umpire issues – missing umpires for some games
- Tournament Team Baseball (Schraufnagel) – No new discussion

- Uniforms (Schesso) – Need to get shirts for 12U All-Star teams soon, teams to be formed in next couple weeks.
- Equipment (Laumeyer) – No new discussion
- Development & Training (Laumeyer) – No new discussion

Other – no new discussion

6:55 Nate motioned to adjourn the meeting. Terry second the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

**NEXT MEETING: SUNDAY, 07/14/2024 AT 5:30PM**