

CBA Board Meeting 5/2/2021 – 7:00 PM Cy's Meeting Room

Attendees (**bold print in person attendance**):

Chris Franz – Community League (attending via telephone)

Sam W. – Fields/Equipment (attending via telephone)

Tate Brandt – President

Brad Keenan - Equipment

Angela Brau – Youth League

Amie Engels – Youth League

Eric Richard - Treasurer

Jeremy – Communications Director

Megan – COVID liaison

David – Vice President/Travel Director

Dan Jochum – Secretary

Jason Biddle – Guest

Tate Opening Remarks – Reviewed the pre-meeting information. We need to make sure we are documenting everything we are doing so that we can pass on a master list of things that need to be done for each role on the Board. Jeremy noted that in addition to having a master list of things we still need to work on to be better.

Minutes – Motion made by Angela and seconded by Jeremy to approve April 2021 meeting minutes. Dan also noted that photos will be held on June 21st at Athletic Park. Jeremy will have a save the date in the next newsletter. Dan also provided the sponsorship information to Tate to provide to the City.

Tate provided an update for Ryan regarding fall ball. Ryan wants to run a fall ball program. Ryan is going to gauge interest via Survey Monkey.

Grounds Update – We need to keep on top of field maintenance. Some of the fields need chalk so we don't run out. Tate sent an email to all Metro Traveling Coaches regarding field maintenance policies. We are trying to do our best to make sure fields are cared for appropriately after every game.

Community League – Chris – All the kids that wanted to play have been placed on a team. We are down one team for community league from previous years.

Website Update – Brannon is not at meeting but has been doing a great job getting the scheduling done.

Youth League – One of the coaches needs concussion training. There are 6 teams of 12 kids of 7/8s. There are 8 Chaska 9/10 teams and two Carver teams. This is down a couple teams in each age group from years past. Angela and Amie will make the call regarding rainouts for Youth League.

Communication Update – Jeremy put out a youth coaches manual that was very well done. He is also going to send out the May newsletter tomorrow (May 3rd). Jeremy asked if we need to include a field cancellation policy sent out to our families. David noted that we should send out the State Amateur Baseball tournament schedule in our newsletter. Jeremy would like to include something about fall ball in the June newsletter.

Cooperstown Update – The 12AAA team pulled out of the Cooperstown Tournament because of COVID restrictions. They are going to be going to the Cal Ripken Experience in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee in August. The 12AA team is still planning on going to Omaha. The Board needs to have a future discussion if we should keep our slot in Cooperstown or if we should leave it up to each 12-year-old traveling team to decide where they want to go.

Umpire Update – Jeff wasn't available but Tate noted that we are going to increase the rate we pay our umpires. Jeff did a training with umpires recently. We are going to put a notice on the newsletter that notes that people need to be kind and respectful to umpires.

Megan – Provided a COVID update. She is going to send out a letter to all coaches regarding COVID procedures. We need to be smart about enforcing COVID policies and being consistent with enforcing the policies.

Treasurer's Report – Eric noted he is working on a tax exemption form from the State of Minnesota. We have received a generous donation of \$5,000 from an Association Family for improvements on field 4.

Fundraising – Ericka was not available.

Vice President/Travel Update – Metro Season began last week. Tournaments will begin next week. The State Tournament planning has been ongoing. We are looking at a Food Truck provider to provide all the fried food. We will receive a portion of each transaction.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 PM