

West Central Baseball Association Board Meeting
Community Center Humboldt, SD
6:00pm, Sunday, July 13th

Call to Order

Roll Call:

Andy Lueth- President	Tyler McCoy- Vice President (Absent)
Joe Hanisch- Treasurer (Absent)	Heath Thomsen- Secretary
Lance Koenig	Matt Cain
Tom Scharz (Absent)	

Guests

- Nolan Whitting
- Chad Herr

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve last meeting minutes by Matt, second by Lance. All approved.

Reports

- President Report - Andy Lueth
 - o Getting everything ready for next weekend's 10U VFW Tournament.
 - o Division games for 17U and 14U will be in coming few weeks.
- Treasurers Report - Andy/Tyler
 - o No Report
- Social Media Report – Andy Lueth
 - o Dawn has volunteer schedule ready to go for VFW State Tournament
 - Will take all the volunteers we can, even if you have already volunteered
 - The smoother we run the tournament, the better chance we have for future tournaments (Nolan Whitting)

Public Comment

- Covered under Social Media

Old Business

- State VFW Allstar Game
 - o Still waiting to hear if there is anyone else will take it but will take it if no one else takes it.
 - o Will be the 3rd weekend in August
- State VFW 10U Tournament
 - o WCBA hosting Alpha Division, using all 4 fields with 15 teams.
 - o There will be 3 umps/game changers per field, and they will stay on the field all day and rotate between umping and game changer.
 - o Need to get a quick meeting together with all the umps and Josh H to get everyone grouped together and trained.
 - o Nolan Whitting will volunteer 2 tablets to be used, just need to provide power.
 - o Chad Herr with volunteer 1 tablet to be used, just need to provide power.
 - o Matt Cain may have one or 2 ipads to use.
 - o Dawn has concession stuff ready to go.
 - o Heath will have Pulled Pork and buns
 - o ABC Rental to set up tent.

- o Tuesday night Matt Cain will have his team put up the fence. If the temp backstop is ok, it will be put up as well.
- o Will do a digital program this year and need roster information and sponsorship no later than Tuesday night to get to the company putting together the digital site.
- o Madison partnered with DQ and sold blizzards.
 - Heath will reach out to Lonnie.
- o Opening Ceremony, Andy will announce, and Dawn will get color guard
 - Opening Ceremony at 8:30am on Friday.
- o Andy will work on Handicap Parking
- o T-shirt Orders Close tonight at midnight
- o Will work with Mike to haul in Agri lime.
- Tax Return
 - o Joe got another letter after the denial that we were approved. He is double checking on it.
- Filed A Recommendations (Metal Cleat and Parking Recommendations)
 - o Nolan – Gave over view on the current situation with the field.
 - The city will get a tow truck company and the board will be responsible for calling them to have them towed.
 - People are parking and leaving cars run and burning grass and leaving trash around and drinking.
 - The handicap that we have is far better than a vast majority of the other fields.
 - For parking, handicap on the north side along 6th st, and need spots for umpires.
 - City is looking at buying Jardings Land behind bus barn to expand parking.
 - o WCBA Recommendations:
 - Handicap Parking – Needs to be signage that says Handicap Access on the North End and parking signage.
 - Field Usage – Any team outside WCBA needs to provide proof of insurance, pay the \$50 per practice and \$150 per game rental fee. Has to follow city rules.
 - Parking – WCBA would recommend to leave parking shut off.
 - Metal Cleats – Need to follow the set rules. Needs to be fee or penalty for wearing metal cleats as it cost about \$6,000 to replace batters box and mound turf.
 - Was recommended that maybe we look at buying a cover that goes over the top and allows metal cleats without damaging the actual turf.
 - Andy will attend City meeting the night of 07/14/2025 and we will still work on recommendations.
 - o Armature teams set to host the State Divisions Games the next 2 years so want to make sure that there is still the ability to host them but also need to make sure there is compensation back to the city and WCBA for field usage, cleaning, maintenance, etc.
- Bylaw Changes – Section 5
 - o Any vote on a previous rule, or a large change, will require all board members to vote, not just any quorum of 4 or more people. Just be a majority rules.
 - o If a member would be incapacitated, it would have to be motioned to proxy for them.
 - o Matt motioned to approve, Heath 2nds. All in favor. Tyler voted in favor via text.
- Annual Meeting Voting on New Boards Members
 - o A concern is if we did survey monkey that if they could vote multiple times.
 - Can have settings to allow one response per email.
 - o Move forward to use Survey Monkey for voting.
 - o Need to define an active member
 - o First year vote, will be voting if you have a player that was playing in the current year and current board member.
 - o Motion to approve survey monkey voting and one vote per family and board members in the current annual year by Matt, 2nd by Lance. All approved.

- o If you want to run for board you must declare by August 15th, open voting September 1st, deadline to vote would be September 30th, and announced at October board meeting.
- o Will need to submit a resume.
- Director of Baseball Operations
 - o Stu and Herb will meet this week to discuss the role and any question.

New Business

- Board Member Resignation
 - o Joe has submitted a formal resignation and will be moving on.
 - o Still a year and 2 months left on his initial term.
 - o According to Bylaws, President is to nominate someone to finish out Joe's term but cannot be in an appointed position.
 - o Joe has offered to stay on as an advisor during the transition.
 - o Andy to nominate Chad Herr to fill out Joe's Term.
 - o Andy to motion to nominate Chad Herr to fill and finish out Joe's Term. Lance 2nd, Tyler voted via text to approve, all approve.

Motion to adjourn at 7:37pm. Motion by Matt, 2nd by Lance. All in favor.

Next Meeting

August 3rd, 2025 @ 6 PM, Humboldt Community Center