

**NHAA General Meeting
July 18, 2019
Sagamore Hills Park Upper Pavilion**

Call to Order: 7:03pm

Board Member Attendance: Jim Filisky, Dave Hermann, Dann Jasko, Joel Streby, Randy Outward, Marc Sprang, Andy Papile, Scott Lanzilotta

Approval of July Minutes: 1st: Randy O. 2nd: Andy P.

Financial Report: (Marc Sprang): Budget Review

Account balance:

- Balance to date - \$21,434.30

Outstanding:

- MAC REC bills still coming in
- Travel team income

New Business:

- Conclusion of the season
 - Most games were made up with in the last week / weekend
 - Total of 652 registrations
 - 8 travel teams
 - Total of almost 800 children in the program
- Colt/SK (Bobby Reveille/Scott Lanzilotta): Play Off no, finishing up this weekend with TBL
- Umpires:
 - Special thank you to Dan Lingo for stepping up on the scheduling aspect
 - Busy with make ups due to rain
 - Future for umpires:
 - Would like to see more training
 - Separate instructions for baseball and softball
 - More certified umpires to assist the younger umpires learning

Softball Updates:

- Joined with Independence, Valley View, Brecksville, and Seven Hills
 - Great season traveling to other communities
 - Went well, all feedback was positive

Fields:

Longwood:

- **Weather-related cancellations determined by City by 3:00pm**
- Lighted games are extra fee, lights off at 11 PM on timer \$35.00 (no Lights yet at this time)
- Macedonia maintains fields (Longwood and Sugarbush) they are also lining the fields for NHAA , equipment was provided to them by NHAA (Bases, chalk, anchors, etc) Cost was \$10 per game during week
- NHAA was not able to schedule each team 1 game under the lights as they are currently not up and in use.
- All Star and Championship was moved to Sagamore Park

Sagamore Hills:

- Sagamore has turned over the fields to NHAA this season due to staffing and not able to maintain the fields, NHAA Maintained all fields at sagamore
- NHAA did not pay for the fields
- We are providing the equipment to the fields and liner, field prep, etc.
- Board makes decision on the field closures based on the conditions of the field and playability
- Repairs are in need of Sagamore Park, Dirt will be delivered to fill in the low spots due to the rain and erosion (ASAP)
- Will be working with parks and Rec (Trustees and Service) to fix up the dug outs and benches this off season

Northfield Village:

- Restoration in process
- Smith Park: 50 tons of dirt delivered. Needs broken up and mixed in again and final dirt to fill in low spots still, currently holding water due to tire tracks from dirt delivery.
- We were not able to get the field completely back for games to be played due to the rain this year, Smith will be set up and ready to be used in the spring. Equipment box was provided by Greg LeFeld
- Will hold 60-65 foot bases (TB, BR, RC, GMP, WM, and A)

Schools:

- Ledgeview was opened up:
 - 25 tons at Ledgeview already placed; will hold 60-65-70 foot bases (ages that will be able to play there are TB, BR RC, GMP, A, WM, PWR (Only 65-70 foot bases are in place)
- Need approval from schools prior to any work on fields that are not associated with schools and NHAA
- Repairs needs to be done at Middle School, Ledgeview and Northfield, planting grass and raking out the areas that were damaged with placement of dirt on the fields. (volunteers)

Fund Raising:

- Chipotle (\$405.00) / Chick-fil-A (\$250.00)
- Pictures
 - \$1,670

All Star Weekend:

- June 22nd, was a hit and went well
- Sagamore Hills Park
- NHAA BOT purchased all Gatorade and waters at the fields and provided ice cream for all players at conclusion of their games.
 - Leagues that played in all stars:
 - RC, WM, PWR, GMP, A, AA, AAA

Babe Ruth and Tee Ball Day:

- Was a hit, BOT also had popsicles for the children, along with water and Gatorade that was provided by the BOT

Travel Updates: (Andy)

- Try outs coming up 8-13U boys, and 10, 12, 14U girls
- Dates: (see emails sent directly from NHAA website)
- Question to have more travel teams in certain division

AAA Soft Ball and Transition Continuation:

- Continue transition to flat style pitch
- Girls moving up will now have had exposure to playing flat / fast pitch
- Tammie Vasek presented strong feelings about fast pitch vs. slow pitch; going to lose girls if AAA goes all fast pitch without another “recreational” option. Brought along emails.

Board Member Nominations: by Laws allow for minimum of 5 and maximum of 15 Board Members Terms are for two years

Board members whose terms expire at end of 2019 Season:

- Christina Lepri, Jim Filisky, Dave Hermann, Randy Outward

Board Members whose terms expire the end of 2020 Season:

- Marc Sprang, Andy Papile, Bobby Reville, Dann Jasko, Joel Streby, Mike Brumfield, Scott Lanzilotta

Nominations for Board:

- Randy Outward (declined)
- Jim Filisky (Dann J -1st / Scott L - 2nd)
- Dave Hermann (Andy P - 1st / Jim F - 2nd)
- Sean Nowlin (Jim F - 1st / Andy P - 2nd)
- Mike Graham (Jim F - 1st / Randy O - 2nd)
- Christine Lepri (Jim F - 1st / Joel S - 2nd)

Fall Ball:

- Registration closes in TBL on 7/24/19
- Email blast to NHAA parents tonight to induce interest

League Updates:

- Already discussing (for boys) with other communities for lower leagues that have less teams to join as with the A and AA leagues this year
- LEAGUE TRUSTEE REPORTS
 - GMP – need to get hockey shin guards for the smaller girls for next season

OPEN FORUM:

- Ed Ralls brought up the Willie Mays coach email
 - 11U interest in a 2nd team for 2020
 - Review # of players after tryouts to see if 2nd team is needed
 - More board members “for” 2nd team than opposed

Meeting Adjourned: 8:07 pm