

## 2014 Spring Informational Meeting Minutes

Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014

State Center City Hall

President Tracey Malloy called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm

### Board Members Roll Call

Present: Tracey Malloy, Emily Bowie, Brad Fuller, Lanise Burchland, Stacey Keeler

Not Present: Bryce Dee, Stacy Porter

### Town Roll Call

Present: Albion, Baxter, Clemons, Ferguson, Garwin, Laurel Boys, Laurel Girls, LeGrand, Melbourne,

Rhodes, State Center

Not Present: Green Mountain

### Treasure's Report

Current Balance : \$3081.35

Last Year (at this time) Balance: \$2965.26

### Board Member Terms ending in 2014

- Emily Bowie will renew for another 3 years
- Stacy Porter did not want to renew 3 year term

One board member needed to replace Stacy Porter.

- Emily made a motion to have Jon Reed (Garwin) on the Central Iowa Baseball and Softball Association Board. Tracey Seconded that motion.
  - Vote was taken. All in favor with 0 opposed.

### New Secretary

Lanise Burchland's email address [lburchland@gmail.com](mailto:lburchland@gmail.com) was given out for anyone with questions.

### Green Mountain

Green Mountain was discussed. Farmer plowed up field. Green Mountain was not present to discuss what options they had. It is possible that they would be able to up the kickball field at the school. They may have sign ups this week. They are still welcome to come to scheduling meeting.

### Old Business

Rule changes for 2014 were read and discussed.

### **T-Ball (Girls & Boys)**

15.09 (Girls) & 16.09 (Boys): For the first 2 innings of the game, all players will bat off the tee. The last 2 innings will be OPTIONAL coach pitch. During coach pitch, there will be a limit of 3 pitches per batter.

15.11 (Girls) & 16.13 (Boys): Games will have a one hour time limit.

15.12 (Girls) & 16.14 (Boys): Rosters will be limited to 10 players per team.

10 players on a team was readdressed. We will stick with this rule but will most likely need to revisit at Fall meeting.

Tracey made a motion that Towns can have a minimum of 6 players on the T-Ball teams. Brad Seconded the motion.

- Vote was taken. All in favor with 0 opposed. Rule changed as follows:

15.07 (Girls) & 16.07 (Boys): There will be a maximum of 10 players on the field at one time, with the tenth player being the fourth outfielder. Towns can have minimum of 6 players on a T-Ball team. All players will ball.

### **PeeWee Girls**

4.04.2 Pitching rubber distance PeeWee 32'

9.07 All pitchers within the PeeWee division must wear a face mask.

There is no rule change in the rules for not following the rules but Tracey stressed to let the coaches know to please follow the rules.

### **New Business**

The board recommends that each coach have a rule book at each game. Order rule book (\$7.20) online.

Tracey reminded town to make sure their coaches print off the bylaws & read them. The bylaws are available on the website.

### **Meeting Dates for 2014**

- **Scheduling Meeting**
  - **Saturday, April 5 from 9 am to 12 pm**
  - **Melbourne Community Center**
  - 2 Representatives from each town
  - Tracey will have a plan and group towns together so everyone can schedule with each other.
    - Boys will start first at 9:00
    - Girls will follow at 10:30 ish
  - Everyone will be required to stay for the entire scheduling meeting
  - Do not schedule your own teams playing each other until the end
  - Reminder that Monday June 16<sup>th</sup> will be the absolute last day to schedule a regular season game
  - Know what conflicts and what dates work for games
  - Towns will need to turn in ALL rosters. Make sure coach name, phone number and email is on ALL rosters. Must be on the Official Roster Form.

- Roster Form was noted that is not on the website. Secretary will email this out to all the towns.
  - Each town will need to pay League Fees
    - \$15 per T-Ball team
    - \$30 per PeeWee team
    - \$30 per Minor team
    - \$50 per Major/Babe Ruth team
    - \$20 per town for website fees
- **Tournament Scheduling**
  - Sunday, June 1
    - Board Members at 1:30 pm
    - All Towns at 4:00 pm
      - 1 Representative from each town
  - Ferguson Community Center (gym)
- **End of Season Rules Meeting (Boys Rules)**
  - Monday, July 28 at 6:30 pm
  - LeGrand Community Center (aka Log Cabin) – 206 North Vine LeGrand
- **Tournament Dates**
  - PW Girls & Boys 1<sup>st</sup> Round
    - Tuesday, June 17
  - Minor Girls & Boys 1<sup>st</sup> Round
    - Wednesday, June 18
  - Rain Date
    - Thursday, June 19
  - PW Girls & Boys 2<sup>nd</sup> Round
    - Monday, June 23
  - Minor Girls & Boys 2<sup>nd</sup> Round
    - Tuesday, June 24
  - PW Girls & Boys Semi-Final
    - Wednesday, June 25
  - Minor Girls & Boys Semi-Final
    - Thursday, June 26
  - Rain Date
    - Friday, June 27
  - Boys Championship
    - Saturday, June 28
    - At GARWIN
      - Pee wee at 2:00 pm
      - Minor at 4:00 pm
  - Girls Championship
    - Sunday, June 29
    - At LAUREL
      - Pee wee at 2:00 pm
      - Minor at 4:00 pm

#### **Other Business**

- Baxter Representative discussed that a family has moved from California with 2 girls (one T-Ball and one PeeWee.) Dad has offered to coach IF girls can play baseball. All towns were in agreement to allow the girls to play baseball as long as they are clear that the girls will be playing softball in school. The board has no problem with it and it really is up to the town boards.

- Board encourages coaches to have a parent meeting before the season begins to discuss their expectations and plans for regular season games versus tournament games.
- Try to do Monday & Wednesdays for Boys and Tuesday & Thursdays for Girls
- Try to do double headers when possible
- You may start practices as soon as you would like. Each town can determine this.
- You may choose how early in the season to start your game schedule but be aware of kids staying up late during school
- Umpires
  - Most towns schedule parent to ump & they must find their own replacement
  - During the regular season, if you would like to hire certified umpires, Tracey has a list. Usually charge \$25 per game
  - Towns can hire umpires that are NOT certified for regular season games.
- Brad stated that ALL towns master schedules to be brought to the Secretary to place them the website
- Tracey encourages that coaches call each other the day before the game to verify time and place.

**Meeting adjourned at 5: 33 pm**