

## 2016 Spring Informational Meeting Minutes

Sunday, March 13th, 2016 @ 4:00 pm

Kauffman Shelter - State Center

### Called to Order at 4:00 pm

### Board Members Roll Call

Tracey Malloy, Emily Bowie, Brad Fuller, Jon Reed, Bryce Dee, Lanise Burchland

### Town Roll Call

**Present:** Albion, Baxter, Clemons, Ferguson, Garwin, Green Mountain, Laurel, LeGrand, Melbourne, Rhodes, State Center

### Treasure's Report

Current Balance: as of February 16<sup>th</sup> - \$3014.94

Last Year (at this time) Balance: \$3873.78

### Board Member Terms ending in 2016

- Bryce Dee – he will renew for 3 more years
- Brad Fuller – he is not renewing
- Stacey Keeler will would like to end her term – 2 year term

Emily Bowie nominated Marci Grant for 2 year term

Brad Fuller nominated Jared Kriegel for 3 year term

Brad left the meeting

### Old Business

- Girls Rule Changes Discussion
  - Rule 9.07 - Face Masks is Mandatory for Pee Wee Girls
    - 9.07 All pitchers within the Peewee division must wear a face mask.
  - Rule 9.06 All batters must wear NOCSAE approved helmets with a chin strap and face mask.
    - Going to assume that the batters will be wearing the chin strap tight and face mask is properly placed.
  - No Pets nor Smoking at Ball Parks
    - Rule 14.04 Possession or consumption of alcohol will not be allowed on the field, or in the immediate premises by any person. Each town is responsible for its own enforcement of this policy.
    - No Pets is hard to enforce due to most parks are in City Parks. May need each little league to go to their own City Council.
  - In Section 3.0 Team Responsibilities:
    - Reminder: Have a copy of the Central Iowa Baseball and Softball Association Rules, the National Federation Rule Book, and the IHSAU adaptations with you at all games.
      - Tracey will look into ordering boys & girls books to get one per town to have in the concession stands. We would still like each coach to have a copy.
      - Make sure coaches are reading the by-laws!
  - If there is an issue, the Home Plate umpire has the final say but after discussion with the base umpire.
  - Could Pee Wee Girls games have a 1.5 hour time limit? Up to each town and curtesy.
  - Pitching distance seems to be working well.
  - Tee Ball ... people have seen more than 10 players on the field at one time.
  - Any issue could be brought to the board and board can discuss and get back to town.
  - **Boys Rule 10.01 - Equipment** regarding bats was read:
    - Bats are to be 2 5/8"
    - Time out may be called if opposing coach questions the bat
  - No STEEL Cleats
  - **Umpires Rule 5.03:** Umpires must be a minimum of at least 16 years old.

## Meeting Dates for 2016

### ◆ Scheduling Meeting

- Saturday, April 9 from 9 am to 12 pm
  - 9-10:30 Boys Scheduling
  - 10:30-12 Girls Scheduling
- Melbourne Community Center
- 2 Representatives from each town
- Checks and Rosters to be turned into Lanise
- Marshalltown Girls would like to play for just games. They will be coming to the scheduling meeting.

### ◆ Roster Deadline

May 15<sup>th</sup> – Last Day to make changes on Roster

### ◆ Tournament Scheduling

- Sunday, June 5
  - Board Members at 1:30 pm
  - All Towns at 4:00 pm
    - 1 Representative from each town
- Ferguson Community Center (gym)

### ◆ Tournament Dates

- ◆ PW Girls & Boys First Round -Monday, June 27
- ◆ Minor Girls & Boys First Round -Tuesday, June 28
- ◆ PW Girls & Boys Second Round -Wednesday, June 29
- ◆ Minor Girls & Boys Second Round -Thursday, June 30
- ◆ Rain Date -Friday, July 1
- ◆ PW Girls & Boys Semifinal -Tuesday, July 5
- ◆ Minor Girls & Boys Semifinal -Wednesday, July 6
- ◆ Rain Date -Thursday, July 7 or Friday, July 8
- ◆ Boys Championship at Albion -Saturday, July 9
  - PeeWee at 2 pm
  - Minor at 4 pm
- ◆ Girls Championship at State Center -Sunday, July 10
  - PeeWee at 2 pm
  - Minor at 4 pm
- ◆ **Tracey will find all umpires for Tournaments.**
- ◆ Check rules for baseballs and softballs required for tournament games and regular season games.

### ◆ End of Season Rules Meeting (Boys Rules)

- Monday, July 25 at 6:30 pm
- LeGrand Community Center (aka Log Cabin) – 206 North Vine LeGrand

## New Business

- The board accepted Gladbrook into our community little league. Gladbrook was not able to attend tonight. Not sure of what ages this will involve.
  - Meeting at Gladbrook Wednesday, March 16 at 7 pm – Jon Reed, Tracey Malloy and Emily Bowie can all attend.
- Portable Mounds
  - Baxter said there is a grant they will look up where if you put up “No Smoking” signs and fill out a little paper work you will get \$500 which could pay for half of the mound.
    - Tobacco Free
  - If you would like to look at one, Ferguson has one. They can get more information where they purchased theirs as well.
  - The board will discuss further whether the mounds should use during tournament play

## Other Business

Fees are the same as last year but no charge for Web fee this year

If other towns are struggling to get kids, talk and work with other towns to see what everyone can do to help keep the towns going.

Adjourned at 5:25 pm