Plymouth Youth Athletic Association

Agenda

April 27th, 2023

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7:00 PM

Call to Order:

Attendance:

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| Board of Directors | | | | | | | | |
| Name | Yes | No | Name | Yes | No | Name | Yes | No |
| Mike Ames Even | x |  | Tim Schweitzer Even |  | x | DJ Weber Even | x |  |
| Doug Sass Odd | x |  | Rich Rau Even | x |  | Josh Chapman Even | x |  |
| Joe Williams Even |  | x | Rich Flunker Odd |  | x | Mitch Henschel Even | x |  |
| PJ Weber Odd | x |  | Mark Raeder Even | x |  | Jason Eigenberger Odd |  | x |
| Travis Downs Odd | x |  | Nic Noster Even | x |  | Ryan Arnold Odd | x |  |
| Frank Arbuckle Odd | x |  | Dusty Medved | x |  | Josh Gumtow Even | x |  |
| Kirsten Cooper Even |  | x |  |  |  | Joe Kiekhoefer | x |  |

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| Coordinators | | | | | | | | |
| Rich Rau  (Cadet/Mid-shore) | x |  | Travis Downs  (Jr. League) | x |  | Doug Sass  (Horizon League) | x |  |
| Frank Arbuckle  (Traveling Softball) | x |  | PJ Weber  (Developmental Softball) | x |  | Jeff D. (Umpire Baseball) | x |  |
| Doug/Wendy Sass  (Concessions) | x |  | Tyler Gruett  (Developmental League) |  | x | Rich Flunker (Umpire Softball) |  | x |

Guests: Jason Lensmire

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Secretary PJ Weber

Review and Approve - approved.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer: Joe Williams

Review and Approve

Savings: $47340

Checking: $17620

Paid insurance. Paid for jerseys and hats, candy, etc.

President Report: President: Josh Chapman

* Opening statement in regard to emotional discussions on the board and strong opinions.

**Report of Committees:** [*Committee members should present items of discussion pertaining to their committee. It can be a simple update on items or if an item needs action taken, the committee should have some sort of an idea of a motion to make, second, under discussion the entire board can provide feedback to the idea, vote to approve/deny] [Board members can bring up new items of business for the committee]*

Tournament Committee: **Ryan Arnold**, Travis Downs, **PJ Weber**, Mitch Henschel, Joe Kiekhoefer

* Sign up filled! – one check from baseball uncertain on.
* Updates on tournament formats – Joe doing an app setting things up. Bracket Team
* Needs to organize tournaments.
* Beer license – alcohol license needed? Mike, Mark, and Rich will get license. Add dates for all-star game.
* Rich Rau paid for extra jerseys – joe to pay josh back what is owed.
* Frank to go to Burghardt’s for 14U team uniforms. (Tops to have last name) $25-30 per top.
  + Dry-fit style to save cost.
* Equipment – baseball is all out. Junior league is left. Frank to get ice packs through fire station.

Action item

* + All inquiries from concerned parents on this topic can be referred to the president of the board

Evaluations Committee: **DJ Weber**, **Doug Sass**, Rich Flunker, Mike Ames, Frank Arbuckle,

* Softball evaluations completed; 1 14U team, 1 12U; 1 11U/12U potentially, 2 10U teams

Sponsorship Committee: Mark Raeder, **Josh Chapman**, Rich Rau, DJ Weber, Dusty Medved, Kirsten Cooper

* Waiting on response from Sargento as sponsor of baseball junior league, including 4 year agreement
  + $7,500 for 4 year deal
  + Emailed today without an update.
  + Banner sponsors are light this year. $3500 currently in, usual year is at $9800.

Equipment Committee: Doug Sass, Frank Arbuckle, Josh Gumtow

* New jerseys needed for Junior League, $7500 for a 4 year commitment
* Jerseys on order, discuss plan for next year, able to pick style before registration numbers? By the time we finish evals and teams are set, many styles are unavailable.
* Need volunteer to take care of hat and jersey orders next year.
* 14U softball will need new uniforms ordered through Burghardt’s.

Registration Committee: Doug Sass, Kirsten Cooper

* Update on registration numbers.
  + Registrations at 345 currently. A little under last year, but very close.

Fields Committee: Jason Eigenberger, Josh Chapman, Rich Rau, Tim Schweitzer, Nic Noster

* Sunday April 23rd. Field Day went well. Worked on four fields.
* Concrete poured for City Park bases
* Wendy to help clean concessions area at Lions.
* List of to-do’s
  + Bases to be installed – Friday morning at City Park
  + Lone Oak – sand bags to divert water or gutters installed? Josh to reach out to Matt to see what options we have.
  + Clay at Rotary, PJ to pick up 4-5 bags for softball season – needs key to shed at Rotary.
  + Josh to talk to Rory about paint for fields. Each field should have a case.
  + Lone Oak – bolts, washers, or U bolts to hold back backstop, top-dress needed
  + Bolts / washers – go to fleet – turn in receipt to Joe

Coach Committee: PJ Weber, Mark Raeder, Mitch Henschel

* Joe to provide update on what the district does – coaches background check or other management?
  + School charges $30 for background check. Josh to look into starting this for next season.
* Umpires / coaching – college kids? LU players made aware. Connected with coach Mann. He’s willing to help umpire. Just reach out. 12-14 year olds only.
* 5th/6th grade boys coaches – head coaches selected, scheduled
* Something should be put in place for 2024. Every coach to be checked.
  + Concessions for softball a possibility – Frank to oversee. Doug to get with Frank on concessions for softball program at HS field when soccer finishes.

Action Item

* Future coaches form posted to facebook – Done?

**Coordinators Reports:** [*Coordinators should present items of discussion pertaining to their discipline. It can be a simple update on items or if an item needs action taken, the coordinator should have some sort of an idea of a motion to make, second, under discussion the entire board can provide feedback to the idea, vote to approve/deny] [Board members can bring up new items of business for the coordinators]*

Coordinator Update and Review – See Coordinator List

* + Rich – Midshore – all set. Rotary. Diamond sheets sent out for all divisions.
  + Mike – KM League – Cascade a possibility.
  + Frank – Frank – Traveling Softball – Lone Oak Monday / Wed for Softball, Tues/Thurs – baseball
  + PJ – Development League Softball – 3 teams from Ply, 1 from SF.
  + Doug – Concessions – poweraid, candy, soda, garbage bags, pretzels, cheese, burgers
  + Travis – Junior League – June 6th start, 9 games. Finishing on July 22nd.
  + Tyler – Developmental – Tuesday / Thursday at HS softball fields
  + Doug – Horizon – 58 kids in this league.
  + Umpires – Rich Flunker Softball / Jeff Dessolach Baseball - Jeff will start scheduling for tournament. Same format will help.

Old Business:

1. Pumas separate from PYAA – research the change. Provide update on progress for separation.
   1. Insurance is the same – this season.
   2. PYAA supports Pumas going forward.
      1. Discussion with Plymouth kids that have tried out but do not make team to stay on as alternates.
      2. Banking should be separate. PJ and Joe to collaborate on that.
   3. Motion to vote on options for this relationship moving forward at next meeting or future meeting prior to August.
2. Josh to Provide update on kids that signed up for program and were told to find a league in their community to participate in.

Action Items

* + 1. Add language for registration.
    2. Add a field to 2024 registration to ask what school district the youth reside.
    3. Include language for those from outside Plymouth district that they will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

1. Forming competition committee. Looking for 6 board members, 3 from softball and 3 from baseball. Volunteer for committee and vote if more than 6 volunteers
   * 1. Tasked with handling league competition, team formats, tournament rules.
     2. Handling research of topics to which the board struggles to come to a call to vote
     3. Add a field on registration for district on what area player comes from. School district.

New Business: [*New items that typically do not fall under the realm of a committee or coordinator report. It can be a simple new item of information or if it is an item that needs action taken, there should be a motion, second, under discussion the entire board can provide feedback to the idea, vote to approve/deny]*

* Items to discuss? NEW BUSINESS
  + PYAA financials and possibility of financial support to the Lions Park project.
  + Keys for all parks at Josh’s home. Josh to get keys to all necessary members.
  + When we vote for pumas, that we handle this differently. Remove emotion, with 3-5 recommendations for future relationship. Closed ballot vote, unanimous ballot vote. Motion approved.
  + DJ going to bring file for signs, Mike going to go to Melcher to see what current options are.

Next Meeting: May 17th , 7:00pm

Adjourn: 9:30pm