PYAA Board Meeting January 18, 2017

Minutes:

Meeting called to order at 8:05 pm

The minutes from the December meeting were approved with a 1st by Mike Ames and a 2nd by Travis Downs. 1 question was asked about the amount of info included in meeting minutes.

Randy Meyer discussed the 2017 Plymouth Classic Tournament. 14 teams total commitment with 8 paid. Including Plymouth teams that brings us to 18 teams so far. He commented that the Info Sports posting was offering the tournament very good advertising and his confidence is very high for a full tournament.

Coordinators Randy Meyer, Randy Schmitz and Dawn Krebsbach were in attendance and gave reports on Mid-shore, Lake-shore, and Girls softball. Mid-Shore meetings will be held on Feb. 16th and March 16th at Chissy’s Pub in Waldo 6:30 pm per RM. Lakeshore Meeting will be held on Feb 27th at Snow Rangers park start time (??) per RS. RS also wondered if Plymouth would be interested in hosting the Lakeshore tournament July 17th and 18th. The board agreed to host. The tournament would be held on 2 days Mon & Tues at Lions Park, Rotary Park, Carl Loebe field and 1 5th grade game would be played on the Horizon softball diamond. Dawn Krebsbach Ok’d the use of Horizon per availability and approval by community education. Both leagues should be starting the first week of May. Dawn Krebsbach and Phil Weber asked for permission to run girls softball clinic Mar. 5th at PHS for 3rd thru 8th grade participants and this was Okayed by the board. DK also asked to host a girls softball Tournament June 23rd for U14 – 8 teams. This was approved

Equipment purchases were discussed with MA suggesting 2 sets of new uniforms for 6th & 7th grade cadets and DK suggesting 2 sets of U12 girls’ uniforms be purchased. This was approved by the board and Joe Williams is looking into the girls and Randy Schmitz the boys, both sets to be purchase through Custom Craft provided costs are within reason. Further sets may be purchased depending upon finances remaining in budget.

DK noted that the girl’s U14 teams have been using PHS equipment for their season and wondered if PYAA could purchase equipment for these teams. Board approved the needed sets of catcher’s equipment.

Mike Ames reported that to date $6,675.00 has been received in sponsorship funds. It was commented that there are more opportunities available for sponsorships and the board members should work on securing any sponsors they think might be interested. MA has available forms.

Developmental League discussion was discussed with coordinator Fred Brown in attendance. Fred previously ran the Sheboygan Falls rec department for 15 years and suggests that we get the parents more involved in the program by including them in the early stages of teaching and participation (teaching the parents to teach the kids), also noting that this shouldn’t be simply a drop off and pick up the kids type of program. JR suggested that the possibly the 1st 3 dates be used for group teaching then dividing the kids into teams on the 4th date. JR also suggested that the board members plan their schedules to be available to help out on some of these dates. Fred, Nick Wilson, and JR will work together to set up the format. Suggestions from board members will be expected.

The new tournament volunteer system was discussed with the need for 3 groups to operate the concession stands and scoreboards at the diamonds. Each group would receive $1000.00 for the weekend commitment with the need for approximately 25-30 people to cover the whole weekend. It was suggested that JR draw up the necessary plan and guidelines for the groups by DK. Nick feels he can run one diamond with a group of people, RS suggests we check with RM for another and DK thinks it’s possible that the National Honor Society would take a diamond

Open gyms for the spring will begin on Sunday Feb. 19th from 11 – 1:00 for all kids from 3rd through 8th grade. Doug Sass and MA will be the primary coordinators, but all board members should plan on attending as many of these as possible.

Tony Miller gave the Treasurer’s report with expenditures for PYAA being: website fees, Insurance fees and Sun Graphics and Deposits being: Sponsorship fees and Insurance refund. The PYB account has expenditures for 2 girls softball tournaments and deposits of registration fees.

Mike Ames reported that the Helfaer game will be played Friday July 28th from 1-3:00 with the Brewers game starting at 7:00 pm. Teams to play will be the 5th and 6th grade cadets

TM commented that coaches should be looking into and signing up for the tournaments they want to participate in as soon as possible before they fill up.

DK stated that the girls softball program would like to open the concession stand during girls games and will need to work with Wendy Sass in coordinating this through PYAA.

MA suggests that Evaluation times and dates be posted on the website as soon as possible.

TM 1st and MA 2nd to adjourn meeting at 8:55 pm

Meeting minutes taken by John Richards

Members absent Doug Sass and Clayton Moore