

***MVSA FASTPITCH***  
***MOUNDS VIEW SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION***

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**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**October 24, 2013 Board Meeting**

The Annual Meeting of the Mounds View Softball Association was held at the Shoreview Community Center, in Shoreview, MN at 7:10pm.

Board members in attendance: Ted Labey, John Peschel, David Van House, Karin Wessberg, Tom Bye, Doug Schley, Sue Blumer, Mark Hewitson and Laura Tondson

Absent: Chris Kelley, Greg Sherrill, Jim Murphy

Guests: Paul Hesterman, Al LaValle, Leah Kluz, Lori Manke, Keith Eibensteiner and Frank Roth

**Election (Conducted by Tom Bye)**

The slate of candidates as presented was unanimously elected; immediately thereafter Ted Labey resigned his position as VP In House

A motion was made and seconded (Peschel/Blumer) and unanimously passed to appoint Leah Kluz for the remaining term for the VP In House.

The 2014 Board Members for the Association are:

President - Tom  
Treasurer – John Peschel  
Secretary – David Van House  
VP Traveling – Ted Labey  
VP In house, player development – Leah Kluz  
At large tournaments and clinics – Greg Sherrill  
At large – Fields – Sue Blumer  
At large – Uniforms – Chris Kelley  
At large – concessions – Laura Trondson  
At large – concessions – Karin Wessberg  
At Large – Umpires – Mark Hewitson  
At large Equipment – Jamie Buchanan

While the primary purpose of the meeting was to conduct the election of Board members, there were a few minor reports by Board members as noted below:

### **Secretary's Report (David Van House)**

A Motion was made and seconded (Van House/Labey) that the 7 at-large Board positions be staggered 2 year positions starting with the next election cycle. No vote was taken on the motion and the matter was tabled for further review and discussion.

### **Treasurer's Report (John Peschel)**

John pointed out in the reports he had circulated prior to the meeting, that nearly all expenses had been paid for the summer season and that the operating account had a substantial balance.

### **VP – Traveling (Doug Schley)**

Doug did not have a lot to report at this time. We had 10 teams this fall and a good season.

### **In-House – (Ted Labey)**

Not a lot to report. Ted is anxious to assist Leah in the transition

### **Concessions (Laura Trondson and Karin Wessberg)**

Concessions reported that we had a good year end. We are closing books on concessions and will report at a later date.

### **Equipment (Jim Murphy)**

The report was tabled in Jim's absence.

### **Umpires (Mark Hewitson)**

Mark reported that he is looking for continued emphasis on training for the younger umpires, including monitoring actual games with senior umpires.

### **MVSA Tournaments and Clinics (Greg Sherrill)**

In Greg's absence the report was tabled.

### **Uniforms (Chris Kelley)**

In Chris's absence the report was tabled.

### **Fields (Sue Blumer)**

We had a good year. We want to be more proactive with coordinating with the city for next year.

### **New Business –**

Frank Roth the Head Coach of the Mounds View High School softball teams provided a detailed history of the Association from its early days, including his participation and that of many of the other early leaders of the Association. The primary focus of Frank's presentation was his observations that the club teams have become extremely competitive and are now recruiting our 14U and 12U girls.

In conclusion Frank proposed that the Association begin fielding an A team at the 12U level.

Immediately following the meeting, Tom Bye appointed a committee of people to review the proposal and report back to the Board.

### **Concluding Business**

A Motion was made and seconded (Van House/Peschel) to approve the minutes from the September meeting subject to the correction of Complete Game commitment correcting the term and financial commitment amount to \$7000.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting (Bye/Blumer to) and the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

The next meeting is **Wednesday** December 4, 2013 at 7:00pm.