

**St. Anthony sports Boosters Softball Association (SABSA) Minutes
December 15, 2014 Meeting
St. Anthony Community Center – 7:00 pm.**

Call to Order:

President Al Bates called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Attendees:

Al Bates, Dirk DeWester, Rick Ballot, Jerry Welch, Danielle Bogucki, Lamar Brendemuehl, guest Jim Zusan

Meeting Ending Goal:

Al shared a goal of ending the meeting around 8:30

Approval of the Prior Meeting's Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 10 meeting by Dirk, second by Rick; motion passed.

Budget Update:

Al shared that we have about \$5,500 in the bank, which is among the lowest of the Boosters sports. We got there by being about \$1,500 positive on the year. However, we have not settled one partial refund (\$65) and we have not paid (\$100) authorized for the SAVHS Upper Gym Tile donation. There will still likely be some trickle-in costs, too.

Also discussed was Baseball's practice of making a donation to the City and the School Board. Perhaps Softball should make a 'proportional contribution'? (Baseball has a much larger Player Pool and Budget. This was tabled for further consideration.

Annual Voting for Board Membership for 2015:

Ballots were distributed, and a vote was taken, and tallied by Lamar Brendemuehl (non-elected Board Member). The results of the vote created the following SABSA Board for 2015:

- President: Al Bates
- Board Members-at-Large: Dirk DeWester, Jerry Welch, Rick Ballot, Rossi Cannon, Scott McCleary, and one unfilled position.

Coordinators Updates:

Umpires Coordinator Dirk DeWester –Dirk will send Al the address for Umpire Tim Klein; we need to get a 1099 issued.

Uniforms Coordinator Al Bates – Danielle mentioned that Laura Kohan and Tessie Rodkewich had indicated their willingness to assist with Uniforms and Apparel coordination.

Yard Signs Coordinator – Danielle volunteered to distribute, track, collect, and (re)-store the yard signs for Open Registration Jan 1 – Feb 28. Other names suggested for sign placement in their yards were Larry Ranallo and Jeff Tonkin. In addition, Danielle offered to create a Facebook page for SABSA. Thanks, Danielle!

Player & Coach Development Updates:

- January-February Skills Clinics, run by MFA to be held at SAVHS are available for registration on the MFA website. Dates are Jan 25, Feb 1, Feb 8, & Feb 22. We need to do an email blast.
- Open Gyms – are scheduled for Mar 1 & Mar 8; we'll need a Building Opener/Closer. Perhaps Helen Siggelkow would be willing to help? Al will ask.
- Evaluations/Tryouts – Wilshire Park Gym has been reserved for Sat. Mar. 14. SAVHS Gyms have been reserved for Sun. Mar. 15 for main evaluations. Will need to coordinate volunteers for both Evaluations. Danielle volunteered to help; Al will seek out other volunteers.
- Sean Hall of S&C Sports has been contacted, and is willing to bring us a Coach's Clinic. Al will follow-up with Sean and attempt to zero into a time & place. A Sunday night in the Feb-Mar time frame might work best...
- Fundamentals Clinics on Tuesday Nights in April – Wilshire Park Gym has been reserved for all 4 Tuesday nights in April 6-8:30. This works best for younger players, but is not necessarily so limited.
- A Wilshire Park presentation was discussed for this winter. Lamar suggested Varsity players who might be interested in volunteering: Irene, Julia, Rachael, & Anna.

8U Off-Season League Work Needed:

Off-season discussions with neighboring communities, on the direction for 8U, have not yet begun. Danielle & Rossi Cannon would like to be involved. Communities suggested were: Irondale, Anoka-Ramsey, Fridley, Columbia Heights, Blaine, Mounds View, Roseville, & Centennial.

Registration:

- Registration should open on January 1 and close on February 28.
- We discussed Registration enhancements including address and potentially birth certificate loading through the registration process.

Other Business:

- HDC has fielded a Dome Team for the January – February "high school season" (16/18U).
- Jim Zusan (guest) introduced himself. Jim is an experienced 10U-16U Coach who recently moved into the area and is interested in getting back into coaching.

Next meeting:

The next meeting will be Sunday, January 11 at 6:30 pm at the Village Pub.

Meeting adjourned:

The meeting adjourned at 8:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Al Bates, President