

St. Anthony sports Boosters Softball Association (SABSA) Minutes

2016, November 16

St. Anthony Village High School Commons – 6:30 PM

Call to Order: President Al Bates called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

Attendees:

Al Bates, Jerry Welch, Scott McCleary, Danielle Bogucki, Melody Herlofsky, Kirsten Stendahl, Pat Clark, Teresa Turner, Natalie Dougherty, Lora Kohan

Meeting Ending Goal:

Al shared a goal of ending the meeting around 8:30 pm, and noted that this is a SABSA meeting, and Fall Ball issues may be discussed after the SABSA Meeting has concluded.

Approval of the Prior Meetings' Minutes:

Danielle moved, Melody seconded to approve the minutes from the October 12, 2016 meeting.

Motion passed.

Melody moved, Jerry seconded to approve the minutes from the October 27, 2016 "virtual" meeting.

Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Al reported an October end "Bank" Balance of \$13,280.62, of which \$1,100 is encumbered, and mentioned that we are buying Equipment.

President's Update:

Al reported that we had, as authorized in the October 27, 2016 "virtual" meeting, sent a letter of support for the Grant project for Central Park C1 netting, and pledged a monetary contribution of at least \$1,000 should the grant be secured.

Player & Coach Development Update - Al:

- Pitcher Clinics –
 - Reminder that on Monday nights in Columbia Heights, beginning November 7, there is an Open Gym staffed at the Hylander Center. Interested Pitchers would be welcome. Al will follow-up with an email to all players.
 - We discussed a Winter Break Pitching Clinic run by Coach Stan Waldhauser; still need to follow-up on this. Al will follow up with Jim Zusan/Stan Waldhauser.

- Catcher Clinics – Scott
 - MFA has set up Catcher Clinics on Sundays March 26, April 2, and April 9. They are filling up. Al will follow-up with an email to the players, and announce the authorized rebate.
- Hitting Clinics/Skills Clinics – Al
 - Winter Skills Clinics are now set up with MFA. Dates are Sundays: January 22, January 29, February 5, & February 26. Al will email blast on November 28, after Thanksgiving.
- Parent Survey of Coaches
 - Dirk was not at the meeting to report. The Consensus was that it would be good to still get parent feedback for 2016. Al will follow up.

Coordinators' Updates:

- Equipment – Al:
 - Working on buying Equipment. Bats are done; catching equipment, defensive masks, nets, and weighted balls are on the list of purchases yet to be made.
- Fields –
 - Pat Clark has volunteered to be the Softball/Baseball Fields Coordinator for 2017. THANKS, Pat! Al will inform Joe Wax (Baseball).
- Spirit Wear – Danielle:
 - We confirmed our interest in having Spirit Wear Sales go thru Ngin. Al will pursue getting Danielle access to Ngin to work on this.
- Umpires –
 - For next year, Dirk had said he would do it if nobody else would. There being no other ideas immediately forthcoming, further discussion was tabled again.
- Online Store – Tahoe Sports – Al/Jess Rengstorf:
 - Nothing to report.
- Uniforms – Al/Jess:
 - Some jerseys have been pre-ordered for Samples to have at Evaluations. There was interest in having Samples of all sizes available. May need to borrow some. Sample sizes of pants would also be good to have.

HDC Liaison Update – Melody:

- The HDC assisted in a Fall Field Cleanup of C1, taking down signs, etc.

- The next HDC meeting will be held November 30, time & place TBD.

Fundraising – Al/Kirsten:

- Jersey Mike's has expressed interest in repeating the Fundraiser in 2017!
- We reiterated our interest in doing another joint fundraiser with the HDC through The Unofficial.

8U 2016 Season Follow-up – Al:

- Al will initiate follow-up now that the Fall Ball work is done.

Bylaws Potential Changes Discussion:

We reviewed Drafts of key elements of the Bylaws, and came to consensus on revised Draft language. Including were the following elements:

- In addition to the President, the VP, Treasurer, & Secretary would become defined Board Positions, leaving 3 At-Large Positions.
- The SAVHS SB Liaison would no longer be designated VP.
The SAVHS SB Liaison and HDC Liaison would no longer be voting Board Members; they would be Non-Voting Board Members (and thus their absence would not factor into having a Quorum).
- The Board would be 'expandable': Coordinators would become Voting "Board Member-Coordinator"(s) by attending 4 regularly-scheduled meetings in a 12 month period, and would retain their voting rights on the Board while serving in a Coordinator Position. However, "Board Member-Coordinators", although in possession of voting rights, would not count towards a Quorum.

Al will finalize a workup of the revised Draft language, and will email both Board Members with the finalized language, and call a "virtual meeting" to vote on the Bylaws revisions, before the December meeting.

Nominations for Board Positions for 2017:

The following nominations were made, and accepted by the Nominees, for 2017 -- under the assumption that the changes in the Bylaws would be passed before the December meeting:

- President: Al Bates, nominated by Pat Clark
- Vice-President: Rossi Cannon, nominated by Danielle Bogucki
- Secretary: Natalie Dougherty, nominated by Kirsten Stendahl
- Treasurer: Kirsten Stendahl, nominated by Danielle Bogucki

- Directors at Large (3 positions open):
 - Rick Ballot, nominated by Jerry Welch
 - Danielle Bogucki, nominated by Rossi Cannon
 - Pat Clark, nominated by Rossi Cannon
 - Lora Kohan, nominated by Danielle Bogucki

It should be noted that if the Bylaws changes are not approved prior to the December meeting, that the above Nominees for Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer will be also running for Directors at Large positions, and the number of open DaL positions would be 7.

Other Business:

- Recruiting Volunteers – discussion tabled until after the election.
- Electricity at Wilshire Park – On hold pending the result of ongoing construction planning at Wilshire Park.
- Volunteer Celebration – Consensus was to plan such an event for 2017.
- Meeting Location – we discussed the HS Commons area as a site for meetings, and agreed that for larger meetings, it was ok.
- Open Gyms at Wilshire Park – The consensus was to pursue these. Al will follow-up.
- Rent-free loans of Equipment to HDC Dome Teams – By consensus, we agreed to continue the SABSA rent-free loans of Equipment to 14U and younger HDC-sanctioned Dome Teams.
- Jerry noted that the Band Pancake Breakfast would not coincide with Evaluations weekend, as previously thought.

Next meeting:

The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 pm in the Community Center. Upon attempting to reserve Room CS9, it was occupied, and the SABSA meeting will be in the Multi-purpose Room.

Meeting adjourned:

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Al Bates, President