



Diamond Club Regular Meeting Agenda
January 4, 2023
Middle School Room #141 – 6:30 pm
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1. Call to Order-Chad Schmitz
2. Approve minutes from 12/7/22 regular meeting (no paper copies provided),
Laura Sikkink made a motion to approve, Scheevel provided the second. Approved.
3. Entertain changes to the agenda – Chad Schmitz,
None
4. Treasurer Report – Tamsen Leimer, see financials.

Operating Account - \$53,404.44
Florida Account - \$971.95
Players Accounts - \$4,200
5. The Sandlot Updates & Discussion
 - a. Finance Update – Tamsen Leimer
Scheels payment received of \$5,000. Some upcoming expenses to equip concessions with.
 - b. Donor Recognition Plaque Update – Tamsen
Tamsen has received rough draft of sign. Requesting to spend up to \$2,000 (from \$1,500) due to 4 smaller signs (rather than 2 bigger). Silvano made a motion to approve. Bridget Neubauer provided the second. Approved. Will have them ready for grand opening.
 - c. Grand Opening 4/15 Plan.
Chad Schmitz noted that some help is needed to plan out the event. Silvano volunteered to help, as did Leimer. Leimer has thank you cards to fill out and provide to sponsors inviting them to grand opening.
6. Bylaws- Chad Schmitz
 - a. Electronic Version-online
Schmitz has reviewed paper copies and will scan into website.
 - b. Annual Election of Board Members
Schmitz will schedule vote for February meeting to provide individuals an opportunity to add their name to ballot.
7. Volunteer Checks-Chad Schmitz,
Schmitz provided summary that softball utilized \$100 volunteer checks in 2022, while baseball did not. There is a need to be consistent one way or the other. Need stronger connection between youth baseball and older baseball. Consensus to follow through across the board.



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Leimer made a motion to apply \$100 per family across all age levels. Each program will manage. Luke Johnson provided the second. Approved.

8. Field Signs new Volunteers- Chad Schmitz,
Sara Elton will manage again this year for baseball/softball, but is looking for help and to take over next year.
9. Senior Scholarships-Chad Schmitz
Sara Elton managed last year and will again this year, but needs another volunteer to take over next year.
10. Umpire Pay- Chad Schmitz – Leimer requested consistency for umpire pay.
 - a. Baseball
Current: \$40/game, \$25/\$15 if two. Metro league \$50/game. Motion by Silvano, with second provided by Leimer for the following:
 - i. 9-12 ZVL \$40/game
 - ii. MBL/Junior/Senior Babe \$50/gameApproved
 - b. Softball - \$50/game last year, discussion to increase by RYFSA, to be continued.
11. Florida 2024-Tamsen Leimer,
The trip will occur in March 2024. School schedule is available, with a week off for spring break. Leimer asking for a rough draft of plan. Last year – baseball stayed at the Days Inn, with softball at the Best Western. Best Western is nicer and would be great to have baseball/softball all there. Leimer will hold a Florida trip meeting before March diamond club meeting to start drafting plan. Group will further promote Kwik Trip gift cards to help players fundraise. Leimer, Neubauer, Laurie Klug, Silvano volunteered to help.
12. Volunteer Coaches Pay- Chad Schmitz
School pay for volunteers, currently \$2,000 per program. Coach Schmitz provides to Junior High, C Squad, B squad. Softball pays to varsity assistants. Silvano made a motion for \$1,000 per assistant, 2 for softball, 4 for baseball. If numbers warrant additional assistants, Diamond Club will revisit. Neubauer provided the second. Approved.
13. Baseball Game pants-Mark Schmitz,
Baseball/softball game pants needed. Leimer made a motion for \$500 per program, Sikkink provided the second. Approved.
14. Add-on topic: Summer Youth Baseball
Scott Boettcher informed the group that there are currently two teams for current 7th graders. One team will be playing league, while the other is considering doing tournaments only. Should the tourney team be a part of Diamond Club or no? The consensus is that teams need to play in



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a league to be a part of summer Diamond Club, and MBL might be the best option for a more competitive team.

15. Agenda Additions (if needed)

None

16. Coaches Comments

a. Varsity Softball Coach-Krystal Peterson,

Dome ball starts in a few weeks. Morning workouts for pitchers/catchers ongoing, opening to others next week, 1/9/23, 6:15-7:15 AM.

b. Varsity Baseball Coach-Mark Schmitz,

Baseball is working concessions on 1/5/23 and needs more volunteers. Nearly wrapped up one-on-one meetings with grades 9-12 players. Meeting with players next week (not in winter sports), to discuss winter training opportunities. Worked out open gym/captain's practice times with Coach Peterson.

17. Next Meeting Date – February 1, 2023

18. Adjourn.

Motion to adjourn by Sikkink, second provided by Missy Klar. Approved. Adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Submitted by Tony Lehrman