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### **Board of Directors Monthly Meeting**

**Tuesday, November 17, 2020**  
**Meeting time: 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.**

**Location:** Zoom Virtual Meeting

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/98311473670?pwd=UGMyR216Q2Q3OU91RDN4bHN3bE1vdz09>

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**Attendees:** Andy Kaul, Scott Walworth, Mike Klumb, Ron Gumz, Joletta Kerpan, Rob Peters

**Special Guests:** Ryan Butzke, Becky Fisher, Mindy Riesen, Beth Filter

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### Start Time / Roll Call – Board Member (1 minutes) – **Start 6:11PM**

1. Approval of October 14 minutes – (1 minutes) – *Motion: Mindi R 2<sup>nd</sup>: Andy K; Approved*
2. Approval of November 17 agenda – (1 minutes) – *Motion: Scott W 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mindi R Approved*
3. Open Forum to Public – *No comments made from public*
4. Treasurer Report – (10 minutes) –
  - Current Balance – [REDACTED] (as of November 17)
    - i. [REDACTED] earmarked for league/tournament play
  - Outstanding Bills and Payments
    - i. Up to date as of October 14, 2020
    - ii. Outstanding Rage Fees for 2020-21 Season – (See Appendix 1)
      - ❖ Boys – [REDACTED]
      - ❖ Girls - [REDACTED]
      - i. Total: [REDACTED]

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- *Each outstanding balance assigned to board member to follow-up on. Pay by check at this time.*
- *BSN bill for pants just came in and not reflected in numbers*

### 5. Coordinator Report / Action Item List– (30 minutes)

- Scheduling Coordinator and Village Liaison – Ryan Butzke
  - i. November 10<sup>th</sup> meeting with Village of Richfield
    - ❖ Items discussed
      - *New home plates, redoing all pitching mounds/home plate, possible nets to protect fans*
      - *Future of Heritage Park with possible Richfield Days move*
      - *Positive meeting*
      - *Clarification of fees as field reservation fees not usage fees*
  - ii. Field Usage due to Village - \$2100
    - ❖ Total Fields Used: 449
    - ❖ Total Rain Days: 29
    - ❖ Total Fields Used (minus rain days): 420
  - iii. Practice Schedule completed and accepted by all coaches
    - ❖ Completed and uploaded onto the website by Nov. 25
      - *Discussion on a few different practice schedules. Ok'd 1 hr 15 min slot schedule, reaching out to those affected and allowing coaches to swap spots*
      - *Would like it set and posted next week*
      - *Leave Friday open for teams to sign up for*
      - *Continue having youngest teams earliest and oldest the late time spots*
      - *Because this is the offseason, slots guided by coach's availability, NOT if the whole team can make it. Off-season practicing not required and many kids in other sports/activities which RYBSA supports.*
- Safety, Training and Lessons - Open
  - i. Corey Bigler - Pitching
    - ❖ Session 1 of 2 (December 3, 10 and 17)
      - Total number of players (cost) 22 players (\$1,425)
        - U8-U11: 8
        - U11-U13: 10
        - U14-U17: 1
    - ❖ Session 2 of 2 (November 30, December 7 and 14)
      - Total number of players (cost) – 10 players (\$1,125)
        - U8-U11: 3
        - U11-U13: 7
        - U14-U17: 5
  - ii. Mike Pocaro - Hitting
    - ❖ Session 1 of 1 (November 5, 12 and 19)

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- Total number of players (cost) – 32 players (\$2,475)
        - U8-U11: 10
        - U11-U13: 15
        - U14-U17: 8
      - *Discussion of asking Mike to do a coach's clinic, will reach out*
      - *Possibility of smaller groups in future?*
    - iii. Marcus Hanel - Catching
      - ❖ Session 1 of 1 (November 4, 11 and 18)
        - Total number of players (cost) – 15 players (\$1,200)
          - U8-U12: 7
          - U13-U17: 8
    - iv. Melissa Benter – Fastpitch Pitching
      - ❖ Session 1 of 1 (November 2, 9 and 16)
        - Total number of players (cost) – 13 players (\$975)
          - U10-U12: 5
          - U14-U16/17: 8
        - *Reaching out to see her cost of attending practices for more individual attention*
    - v. Sylvia Flarity – Fastpitch Hitting
      - ❖ Session 1 of 1 (December 1, 8 and 15)
        - Total number of players (cost) – 15 players (\$1,125)
          - U10-U12: 6
          - U14-U16/17: 9
        - *Great overall lesson turnout this year!*
  - Uniform and Spirit Wear
    - i. Fall shipment has closed
      - ❖ Total of 46 orders placed
        - \$328 coming back to the organization
        - *6% back to RYBSA*
        - *Will get by mid December – rely on coaches to distribute*
    - ii. Plan Spring shipment for February (receive in March)
      - ❖ Items requested tank tops, hats, can koozie...
        - *Any other suggestions?*
        - *Selling at Mother's Day event, event specific gear, more ladies options?*
  - Open Gym – Organized by Scott Walworth or our new Safety, Lessons and Training Coordinator.
    - i. Cancel until next year, but we need to have buy in from all coaches and create a sign-up sheet to staff THOR
      - ❖ Discussed at coaches meeting (November 13)
  - Sponsorship Coordinator
    - i. Update
      - *Mindy presented idea for our sponsors to give them recognition – looks great!*

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- *Banners left up from last years sponsors*
- *Need to check pricing, finalize sponsorships, reminder of tax breaks for businesses.*
- *E-mailing coaches sponsorship information*
- Concessions, Umpire, Awards Coordinators
  - i. No update needed today

### 6. Old Business

- Build or update the Budget Tracker for this year
  - *Ready to start logging tournaments*
  - *Rob will be sent update for coming season and trained*
- We have been asked by KJ Development to change WE Energies into our name
  - i. Have been asking since last year and we have not done it
    - ❖ Agreed to pay 2020 YTD to give us a break for COVID-19
      - This will add \$150 to \$200 a month
        - Add this cost into the RAGE spreadsheet for use on Rage/Lady Rage Fees 2022
    - *Quick math means \$1-2 a kid*

### 7. Rage Uniform Orders – (5 minutes)

- Order has been placed and expecting them to be delivered in January
  - i. Speaking with BSN he would suggest we do it as early as possible. If there are errors, we can get them worked out. He is worried that COVID-19 may play and issue with receiving orders as the season goes on.
    - ❖ Do we set a Uniform Try-on day today or table until next month?
      - *Making sure uniform and spirit wear don't come at same time*
      - *Table discussion to next mtg closer to delivery*

### 8. New Equipment – Team and Organization (20 minutes) -

- New Teams (RAGE and LADY RAGE only)
  - i. New Teams (U8 and U10/11)
    - ❖ Equipment Bag
    - ❖ Bownet
    - ❖ Ball Bag
    - ❖ Catchers equipment
      - Need to speak with coaches of U9 and U11 and see if they are planning on handing their gear down and getting new gear. When should we order?
      - Mike will start getting quotes for new equipment.
    - *Not a fan of swapping equipment, new teams new equipment*
    - *Have a box of scorebooks, are they even used anymore?*
    - *Get all orders in before Thanksgiving*
    - *Mike coordinating*
- Current Teams that need replacement equipment (RAGE and LADY RAGE only)

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- i. U14 stated that they do not have any neck protectors for their catcher's gear – need to see their helmet(s).
- ii. Baseballs for teams as they are starting to run low.
- iii. Specific Baseball for league play
- iv. Any other teams?
- Equipment needed for THOR
  - i. Order 4 of the following JUGS machines (See Appendix 2)
    - ❖ JUGS MVP (\$975 or \$3,900)
      - *Discussion on pitching machines do not come with cart*
      - *Corey offered to donate material to make carts*
      - *Goal to be to use machine while on cart*
      - *These machines will run off generator, not battery*
      - *Will sell blue and red JUGS to offset cost of new*
  - ii. Jeff Northern sent a “wish list” for use at THOR (See Appendix 3)
    - ❖ Cost would range from \$2,500 to \$3,500
      - *On Appendix 3, agreed to order*
        - *1 MaxBP Reaction Pitching Machine Bundle*
        - *4 Strike Zone Home Plates*
        - *2-3 Bownets*
        - *4 12” Weighted Balls*
        - *2 6lb weighted medicine balls*
      - *Will follow-up with Girls coaches to get more info on the Velpro Training Harness, Xelerator Pitching Aid, Ernie Parker Wrist Snappers, Perfect Circle Pitcher Training Aid*

### 9. Tournaments (20 minutes) –

- Need to finalize our format for all tournaments by December 1- (See Appendix 4)
  - i. Mother's Day Tournament
    - ❖ Thursday – Sunday (May 6 – 9)
      - What level and field?
      - How many teams per level?
      - U11?
      - U12?
  - ii. Lady Rage Summer Slam
    - ❖ Thursday – Sunday (June 24 – 27)
      - What level and field?
      - How many teams per level?
  - iii. Boys Summer Bash
    - ❖ Thursday – Sunday (June 24 – 27)
      - What level and field?
      - How many teams per level?
- Who will update the team registration forms?
- Who will post on Info Sports and other websites?

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- *All tournaments c level and will track potential b level teams participation, work with coaches, b & c separate brackets?*
- *Looking into getting a snow fence or some kind of temporary fence for U10 girls so they can use more fields*
- *At coach's meeting 3 tournaments agreed on*
- *Update and post first week of December*

### 10. Sports Engine (10 minutes) -

- Website – Use the projector
  - i. Our League Athletics Yearly Payment of \$500 is due on November 20, 2020, hence the website will go down.
    - ❖ What do we need to complete before the website is operational?
      - Build a registration for RYBSA
      - Do we give a team manager access to update schedule?
  - ii. When should we have the website go live?
    - *Old Website last day November 20<sup>th</sup>*
    - *Will transition to rybsawi.com*
    - *Minutes will be available on website to all*
    - *Treasurer report of monies in account only available to board*
    - *Went over new website*
    - *Team Manager had opportunity to update schedule, add pictures and due to signoff we have access to those pictures for social media*

### 11. RYBSA Registration (10 minutes) –

- Sports Engine will build our system
    - i. Start registration on December 15 and end on March 15
    - ii. Amount to play?
      - ❖ Last year it was \$105, plus \$75 volunteer fee
      - ❖ Slinger and Hartford are the following:
        - \$85 resident
        - \$110 non-resident
      - ❖ Jackson is the following:
        - \$75 (late fee of \$10 after February 28<sup>th</sup>)
        - \$100 fundraising fee
        - \$100 volunteer fee (6 hours)
- *Agreed to keep fee same*
  - *\$5 is the fee for Credit card payments*
  - *Confirmed registration will close on March 15*
  - *No early bird discount*

### 12. Fundraiser(s)

- We have been approved by the State of Wisconsin for the Charitable Gaming License A and B.
  - i. Last meeting Scott brought up a raffle that has been highly successful.

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- ❖ Do we start this raffle during the old cookie raffle date?
- ii. Last year we did super bowl squares and filled up two grids.
  - ❖ Do we do this again?
  - ❖ How many grids do we shoot to fill-up?
  - ❖ Do we launch this ASAP?
    - *Agreed to do s bowl squares again*
    - *14 teams – 7 grids?*
    - *Andy will put together grids*
    - *Raffle License on file with Village*
    - *Discussion of 2 fundraiser S Bowl Squares starting soon and one in March*
    - *2<sup>nd</sup> raffle tabled until next meeting*
    - *Get a committee for S Bowl Squares*

**13. Adjourn (1 minute) – 8:52PM Motion Joletta, 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott W, Approved**

- Next Meeting on Friday, December 18, 6:00PM
- Located at Pioneer Bowl

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APPENDIX 1:



APPENDIX 2:



MVP® Combo Baseball and  
Softball Pitching Machine



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### APPENDIX 3:

Amount Requested	Item Requested	Price per item	Minimum Price	Supplier	Maximum Price	Supplier
2	MaxBP Reaction Pitching Machines	\$900.00	\$900.00	MaxBP (x1)	\$1,800.00	MaxBP (x2)
200	Mini Multi-Color Whiffle Balls	\$160.00	\$160.00	MaxBP (for 260)	\$160.00	MaxBP (for 260)
3 to 4	Strike Zone Home Plates	\$27.00	\$81.00	BSN (x3)	\$108.00	BSN (x4)
4	Power Pod Training Aids	\$13.00	\$52.00	Amazon (x4)	\$52.00	Amazon (x4)
3 to 4	Bownets	\$100.00	\$300.00	BSN (x3)	\$400.00	BSN (x4)
3 to 4	Spin-Right Pitching Spinners Trainers	\$17.00	\$51.00	Amazon (x3)	\$68.00	Amazon (x4)
2 to 4	12" Weighted Balls		\$40.00	Dicks (x2)	\$80.00	Dicks (x4)
1	Velpro Training Harness	\$110.00	\$110.00	Amazon (x1)	\$110.00	Amazon (x1)
2	Rebound Throwing Nets	\$125.00	\$250.00	Skils (x2)	\$250.00	Skils (x2)
2	Xelerator Pitching Aid	\$33.00	\$66.00	Amazon (x2)	\$66.00	Amazon (x2)
2	Ernie Parker Wrist Snappers	\$25.00	\$50.00	Amazon (x2)	\$50.00	Amazon (x2)
3	Perfect Circle Pitcher Training Aid	\$25.00	\$75.00	Amazon (x3)	\$75.00	Amazon (x3)
2	6lb Weighted Medicine Balls	\$25.00	\$50.00	Amazon (x2)	\$50.00	Amazon (x2)
4 to 6	12" or 18" Orange Traffic Cones	\$7.00	\$28.00	Amazon (x4)	\$42.00	Amazon (x6)
	Combo on Amazon (Combo is not included on total)	\$105.00	\$105.00	Amazon (for one)		Amazon (for one)
			\$2,318.00		\$3,311.00	

### Max BP Pitching Machine Bundle



Professional Package #1  
 From ~~\$980.00~~  
**\$890.00**

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Strike Zone Home Plate



Power Pod Training Aid



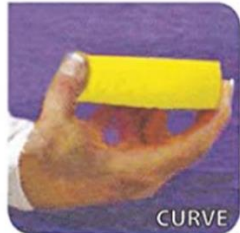
**\$9.99**

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## Spin-Right Pitching Trainers

### Spin Right Spinner Training Aid

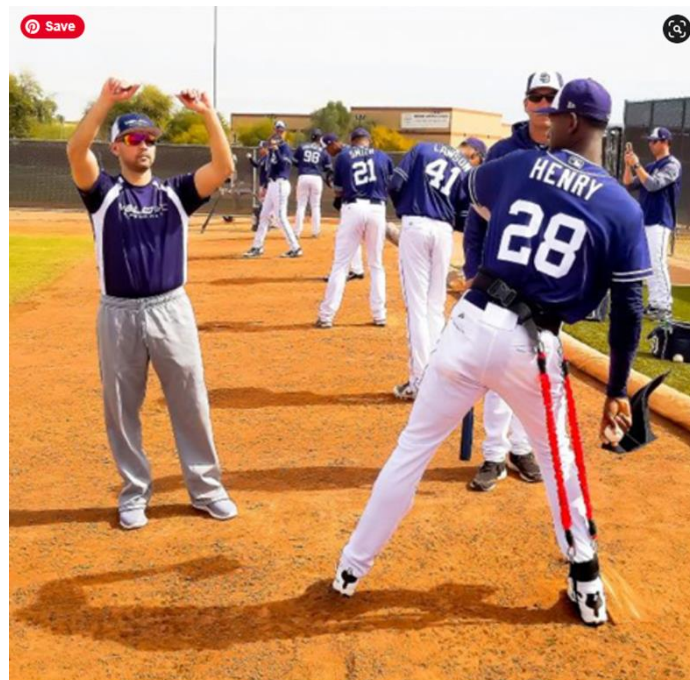


Learn the correct rotation for:

- Rise
- Drop
- Curve
- Change up
- Fastball



## Velpro Training Harness



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Xelerator Pitching Aid



Ernie Parker Wrist Snappers



Perfect Circle Pitching Training Aid



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### APPENDIX 4:

#### **Mother's Day Tournament - May 6th - 9th**

Participating Rage Teams - U8, U9, U11 Red, U11 Navy, U12 Red, U12 Navy, and U13

In my attached outline, we can have 7 brackets balanced out among our 6 fields. What I have done for the U11 Red bracket - is they will play their games on Fields 1, 2, and 7 as those fields have 70 ft. base stanchions. The U11 Red bracket games are highlighted in Red to easily see when those games will be played on fields 1, 2, and 7. All of the other levels will play their games at one field for the entire tournament and will not have to move around. What this means is we would need to have 2 games on Thursday (May 6 @ 4pm and 6pm) and 2 games on Friday (May 7 @ 4pm and 6pm) on Fields 1, 2, and 7. Fields 4, 5, and 6 will have one game on Friday night (May 7 @ 6pm).

This outline would allow us to have 2 brackets at our U11 and U12 levels and thus split up the teams coming to our tournaments into essentially an A and B Bracket. The biggest downfall of this outline is having games on Thursday night and if we have inclement weather, we do not have much flexibility to move games around to open times throughout the weekend. The only flexibility we would be left with is to have a 2-hour delay on Sunday as we do not have any games starting at 6PM on Sunday, thus we could shift games back 2 hours.

If we have less than 6 teams enter in any of our brackets at U11 or U12, then this will also create an opportunity to not have games on Thursday and give us more flexibility on Saturday and Sunday if we get inclement weather.

#### **Boys Bash and Girls Summer Slam June 25-27**

Participating Rage Boys Teams - U14, U16, and U17

For the Boys tournament, I was thinking it would be best to put U14 on Field 2 and have a combined bracket on Field 6 with U16 and U17 teams. I do not think we will have many U17 teams sign up if we have 3 separate brackets.

Participating Rage Girls Teams - U10LR, U12LR, U14LR, U17LR

For the girl's tournament we could do this a couple of ways. First, we will need to still run a double elimination tournament and that is standard for softball. So, we could just give each team one field:

U17 (Field 7)  
U14 (Field 5)  
U12 (Field 4)  
U10 (Field 1)

or I start looking to see if we can balance the 4 brackets amongst the 3 fields with 200-foot fences. I think this will be difficult to do with the double elimination bracket and will require us to start the tournament on Wednesday or Thursday rather than Friday. Or the other option is to see if we can rent a portable outfield fence for the weekend and put that up on field 1.