

NPGFA

**Board Meeting minutes 2/6/2019
7:00PM Middle School Media Center**

New Prague Girls Fastpitch Association Mission Statement

New Prague Girls Fastpitch Association is committed to teaching the fundamentals of competitive Fastpitch softball. We are here to promote leadership, cooperation, team skills, to deal with accomplishments and disappointments, to improve self-confidence and self-esteem and to have FUN! We do this as a feeder system to the New Prague Schools.

Board Members

Present: Alex Perkinson, Pat Perkinson, Colleen Ambroz, Michelle Fischer, Chad Kraml, Todd Pietsch, and Lisa Johnson

Not Present: Jim Kaufman

Quorum present: Yes

Others Present: Daylan Johnson

Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 7:01PM by Pat Perkinson

President's Report:

- Reading of mission statement by Pat Perkinson

Secretary's Report

- Reading of last meetings minutes by Alex Perkinson
- Changes:
 - Trophy and ~~and~~-All-Stars pages have been started
 - A new coordinator has been appointed → Nikki Hauck
 - Winter clinic registration
 - Tryouts: March 9th-10th
 - February 25th Parent/Player Meeting at 7pm
 - HS commons
 - Pat has been in contact with ~~Craig Most~~ Eric Steinhoff about adding a flagpole in the center of the high school fields

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to approve 1/2/2018 meeting minutes.

Seconded by Michelle Fischer.

Motion passed 5-0.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim Kaufman

- Bank balance is at \$31,265
- Registration as of month end \$9,279 → 43 registrations to date
 - Moneywise we are just about at 50% of what we budgeted for registration
 - Last year at January 2018 month end we were at \$6,550
- Only one person has opted for the 50% payment plan so far
- Renewed insurance for the year → both policies cost was \$3,021
 - \$221 over budget
 - Increase was due to adding our 3 sheds being added to the policy
- Clinic income for the month was \$1,625 → \$1,325 more than forecast
- Money for our scholarship winners last year has been paid out (\$1,000)
- Michelle bought clinic equipment totaling \$1,035
 - Budgeted \$1,500 for the year.
- No one has opted for the volunteer time buyout to date
- Just a few buyouts for pizza and flower fundraising to date
- Angie Sticha from the Booster Club asked about if we would be interested in getting involved in sponsoring pull tabs at Czech's Sports Bar
 - Went and looked at the regulations on the State website. We would qualify as a tax exempt non profit to do it. Lots of regulations but not that complicated – application, reporting requirements, etc.
 - It would be a way to raise a significant amount of money for field improvements (dugouts, scoreboard, etc.)

Volunteer Coordinator's Report:

Lisa Johnson/Nikki Hauck

- Proposal: Put a cap on the amount of hours families can get from winter clinics to try and get more volunteers during the summer
 - Cap Option #1: 50% (7.5) of hours
 - Cap Option #2: 10 hours

Webmaster Report:

Lisa Johnson

- All DIBs information for clinics is now on the website

Registration Coordinator's Report:

Todd Pietsch

- Look at other payment plan options next year, not just an early registration discount
- 46 players signed up so far for the summer season

Board Calendar

Todd Pietsch

- Player/Parent Meeting on February 26th at 7pm in the HS Lecture Hall

Equipment Coordinator:

Michelle Fischer

- All equipment for clinics has been ordered and is with Anna
- Sliding mat just came in and will be going to the middle school

Field/Gym Coordinator:

Michelle Fischer

- Heavy User meeting was supposed to be tonight (Feb.6th), but got cancelled
 - Will be rescheduled for next week
 - Was to talk about adding a fee for reserving gyms/fields
 - Essentially doing this to keep the people who do reserve the space responsible for actually using that space instead of reserving and not using it

Fundraising Coordinator:

Michelle Fischer

- Pickup for flowers is May 5th

Uniform Coordinator:

Chad Kraml

- Same pricing for any new jerseys
- Additional clothing: with some type of "New Prague Softball" logo and takes about 2 weeks to get an online store setup
 - Coats/Pullover Quarter Zip for players: price range \$35-\$45
 - Fleece Full Zip: price range \$35-\$45
 - Sweatshirts
- Clinic t-shirts are in and will be brought this week (Feb. 10th)

Tournament/League Coordinator:

Colleen Ambroz

- Ejection Rule:
 - Zero Tolerance:
 - First Offense: Verbal warning to offending coach/fan
 - Second Offense: An out will be assessed to offending team
 - Third Offense: Coach will be ejected from the game and asked to leave the park
 - First ejection results in a 3 game or 7 day suspension, whichever is longer
 - Second ejection results in a 30 day suspension
 - Third ejection results in a lifetime ban from coaching
 - How do you track who (coach/fan) has been ejected?
 - Make a courtesy call to other organizations (umpires and associations) about coach/fan who has been ejected
- Sean Hall with Top Tier (club teams)
 - Top Tier teams are not getting the games in at the 12U level and would like to come into associations get them in instead of traveling
 - A small group will be meeting with Sean to discuss this further

SBDC Report:

Daylan Johnson

- Questions on why we might be losing players:
 - Are players there to be competitive or just to “hang out with friends”?
 - More skills training, conditioning, strength training?
 - Club ball is only for “good” players or “the best”?
 - Is the association considered “community ball”?
- We HAVE to keep the pitchers around, but the players need to develop with the pitchers
- Pat will reach out to Angie from Forest Lake on what they’re doing to keep players within their association and how they built it up

Other Business:

- Team pictures
 - Similar to what was done with community ball/hockey/etc.
 - Bring it up at either the Player/Parent Meeting or email
 - Can be used for a team banner as well
- New meeting location
 - Possibilities: city hall, school media centers, rehab center, fitness/pool

Motion made by Colleen Ambroz to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Michelle Fischer.

Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45PM.

Next meeting (regular meeting) 3/6/2019 and (team conformation) 3/13/2019 at City Hall Chambers Room at 7:00PM.