

CGAA Softball

Board Agenda

Date: September 9th, 2024

Meeting Start time: 7:38pm

Location: YSB

Meeting Called By: Amanda Albert, President
Meeting

Type of Meeting: Monthly Board

Facilitator: Amanda Albert

Note Taker: Kayla Seerup

Board Members Present: Amanda Albert, Tim Dana, Kayla Seerup, Matt Kerttula, Kris Steffen, Angie Letourneau, Charlie Wilwert, Danielle Weise

Call in: Alexandra Tucci, Karyn Cronin

Director of Tournaments Updates: Angie Letourneau

1. PIP tournament – any proposed changes for 2025
 - a. Should we change back to the first weekend in June, May 30th-June 1st
 - a. maybe cutting out Grey Cloud and just running at Lamar.
 - . Starting Games on Friday around 6pm and running under the lights, and will have to cut teams allowed at age level (10U and 12U)
 - . 8U will be at CGMS on Saturday, 8 Teams only
 1. 1 Board member down there, or maybe offering dib hours to ump their games and give them the rules and read up on it!
0. DIBS opportunities for off season
 1. Fences up and down
 1. umping 8U games for PIP
 1. pulling and putting in bases
 1. Inhouse tournament at Woodbury for All Star Game and end of Season Inhouse Tournament
 1. Traveling Uniforms try ons
 1. Nafa Nationals Parade Set up
 2. Batting Cages

Action Items

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Director of Fields & Administration: Danielle Weise

1. Keys at field boxes-Almost done, have Park Left. Putting the new lock box there as well
2. Field usage/requests- Reaching out Gail soon to reserve our time from Spring until end of fall ball
 - a. Glacier Falls- needs to be bottom of 10U teams and not much of parking

2. Update on turf at ice arena- Jordan reached out and they are thinking of using the ice rink for hockey year-round and not putting turf down in the future.
3. Base removal/winterization/blue flames-Once fall ball ends Danielle will come up with a plan to get them out and Angie will create dibs to help pull.
 - a. reaching out to Jim to ask not to pull pitching mounds
2. PAC reservations-Talk to Gail and ask about Sundays
 - a. Bielenberg you can rent 4 fields at a time and put many teams at a time-Danielle looking into to see availability and prices and maybe bypassing pac and west rink if possible.
 - a. Matt's looking into with Gail to see what open gyms are available for the open pitching/catching time.
2. Umpire fees for 2025
 - a. Emailed Laurie and waiting to hear back from her on if she's in and what the prices will be for this 2025 season

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Player Development: Matt Kerttula

1. Pitching open gym times in the off season for IH and Traveling teams-
 - a. 5 girls at a time
2. Introductory Clinic for pitching and catching for fall Ball and Inhouse
 - a. maybe looking into having a clinic or two in the beginning of Fall Ball and the beginning for Inhouse to have girls and coaches to participate (and coaches to watch) and know what the fundamentals are for the new coaches.
0. Space for off season training – potentially DBat?
 - a. Sent a message to D-Bats to see if we could get a group rate and get some time there and make available to the traveling and inhouse program.
 - a. Looking to do a few hitting clinics were CGAA pays for the instructors to run some clinics

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Equipment Manager: Karyn Cronin

1. Equipment turn-in for teams after FB-Wait until fall ball equipment is turned in until next year.
 - a. need to find out where we are going to be doing training to know if we have to give out softies and turn in hard softballs or not.
2. Review equipment needs in preparation for long range planning meeting in October
 - a. need Equipment Budget by end of 1st week of October
 - . Karyn said she would have Ready by October 5th

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Director of In-House Leagues: Alexandra Tucci

1. SEML updates
 - a. OAA potentially coming back at the PB2 level (Monday/Wednesday)- expressed interest to come back as they don't have many girls to have enough teams for their season this year
 - a. A meeting will be scheduled for Q4 with all Associations- Group me chat For SEML that plans what works for all In House Directors.

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Treasurer: Kayla Seerup

1. \$226,326.86 in Account
2. 2024 Traveling Budgets all closed out, no one was negative.
3. FY2024 players fees will NOT be collected, if they have been they will be returned from the Main Board

*Kayla Seerup made a motion that the final expenses for the appreciation dinner not to exceed \$3,000.00 Matt 2nd, and all agree.

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Director of Traveling: Tim Dana

1. Traveling Program updates-NA
2. Fall Ball updates-NA
3. Parent surveys
 - a. Only 1 negative coaches survey and they are not coaching this year
2. Traveling Coaches Meeting scheduled: **Wednesday October 2nd @7pm at Ysb**

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Director of Events & Promotions: Kris Steffen

1. Uniform updates for 2025
 - _Beginning of December
 - Not Providing Pants, 2 Jerseys, 1 belt and 1 pair of socks
 - Before dismissing faded Jerseys, kris is looking to see if they can put on a different style shirt.

-If parents are in charge in ordering on their own, we just have 2 set jerseys and parents order them.

-Maybe Run the same as last year and then circle back at long range meeting and see if we change things.

2. Traveling teams winter raffle-Tickets together in October and handed out in November before thanksgiving to be delivered before Christmas.
3. Spirit wear store-Meeting with designer at Advanced next week with a few different options with a few different logos
4. Boombah store to order for Holiday gifts

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Director of Communications: Bridgitt Looney

1. Save the dates – update website calendar
 1. PIP May 30th -June 1st
 2. Traveling Tryout Dates 2026 August 8th-August 10th

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Secretary: Melodee Thole

1. Kayla Made a Motion to Approve August Board Meeting Minutes, Angie Seconds, all agree, motion passes.

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Member at Large I: Charlie Wilwert

1. WELCOME TO THE BOARD!
 1. Roles are listed in the rules of play

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Member at Large II: Devanie Hoven

1. Background check/Safe Sport tracking – MN Softball & IH

- IH will be going back to Trusted Coaches for all background checks – Amanda to provide log in

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Vice President Updates: Tim Dana

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Team Formation Committee: Tim Dana, Dev Hoven, Matt Kerttula, Amanda Albert

- 2 8U (1 spots available), 5 10U, 3 12U (1 spot available), 1 14U (3 spots available), 1 HS

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President Updates: Amanda Albert

- Vice President Nominations
-Tim raised his hand to fulfill the roll

****Amanda Made a Motioned to Appoint Tim Dana as 2025 Vice President, Kris Steffen Second. All approve, motion passes ****

- Upcoming Board Meetings – **October LRPM scheduled:**
- October Monday 21st Virtual) and October Wednesday 23rd (in Person at YSB) Starting at 6pm- 10pm Pot Luck style**
 - [ROP revision opportunity](#); review and bring redlines to LRPM
- Board Positions up for election results (2-year terms)
 - President – Amanda Albert* - committing to a 1 year term
 - Director of Traveling – Tim Dana
 - Treasurer – Kayla Seerup*- committing to a 1 year team
 - Director of Communications – Bridgitt Looney
 - Director of Events and Promotions – Kris Steffen
 - Director of Player Development – Matt Kerttula
- OPEN Board Positions (1-year terms)
 - Director of In House – Alexandra Tucci
 - Member at Large I – Charlie Wilwert
- Main Board appointed Justin Langbehn as VP for another 2 year term
- [Conflict of Interest form](#) – on CGAA main page, needs to be completed if you haven't done so already- **NEEDS TO BE DONE EVERY YEAR BY ALL BOARD MEMBERS!!**
- Capital Improvement Projects –

- a. 2025 City bringing power to parking lots at Kingston for carnival and food trucks
 - I’ve asked about bringing power up to the GC shelter during this project. This may be a cost sharing project between the City and CGAA
- a. 2026 City to replace the building at Kingston, and upgrade lighting at Lamar
 - . I’ve requested that the City look at converting Lamar into a dedicated softball complex with 200’ fences and dugout covers considering the men’s league softball program has been phased out as of this year.
 - 1. What are chances for us to take over Lamar and fence at 200ft and put out dugout covers? If we can get them to give us the okay that we can have them then we start putting money into that.
 - 2. There is a new housing development where a pinwheel of softball fields has been proposed along CTY Rd 19, however that could be 5-15 years out.
- a. 2025 Glacier Valley is available for use, I’ve tried to stake a claim on the field however there are caveats to discuss 10U and younger only
- a. CGAA Softball Project plans
 - . warm up areas at GC
 - . replacement of wooden benches

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- 1. ✓ Succession planning

*** Angie Letourneau made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Matt Kerttula 2nd, all agree. Motion passes, meeting adjourns at 9:59pm