Arrowhead Fastpitch League Board Meeting Minutes January 13, 2019, 6:00pm Buffalo House

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm

Present: Dennis Peterson, John Stevens, Kelly Goeb, Scott Janigo, Melissa Stevens, Jessica Reinhardt

1. Finances.

- Sherry and Melissa are working on the transition of the treasurer duties.
- Registration fees, etc, discussed at last meeting.

2. Safe Sport Act 2017.

- Received word from Mike Carter at USSSA that they are creating a plan and will let us know when and what they can offer us.
- Jessica also reports she has a connection at Sports Engine and will check with him to see what they can offer.

3. Rule Review.

- Much discussion about how we can advance our league to keep up with the southern teams from our state
- 8U
- Will plan to start with machine this year at 35-38mph rather than coach pitch.
- $\circ \;\;$ Need to work on teaching pitching at this age.
- Kelly will test softies in the machine to see if they are reliable.
- Plan to start the 8U season on Thursday May 30, then move to Mondays on June 3, 10, 17, 24 and July 1. Plan playoffs July 8 and 11.

• 10U

- o Plan to move to straight pitching, no machines, by 2020.
- To be discussed at coaches meeting, plan to use machine thru July 4 of 2019 season, then transition to pitching only. Motion by Dennis, second by John to move forward with transition as above. Motion carries.

- 4. Umpire Training and Recruiting. Tabled until next meeting.
- 5. Umpire Equipment. Will sell our umpire equipment to Cloquet Association. Motion by John, second by Scott. Motion carries.
- 6. Prep for Coaches Clinic in April. Dennis and Scott will teach, along with Dick Swanson. Kelly will check with Mike Carter to get rule books for coaches meeting. Plan to not offer scorebooks this year due to the cost.
- 7. Playoff awards.
 - Will continue with individual medals. Need to have one of our board members present at final games so as to only give as many medals as players. Will have multiple medals made to be used year after year, with lanyard indicating the year.
- 8. Next Meetings
 - Sunday, February 10, 6:00pm, Buffalo House upstairs
 - Sunday, March 10, 6:00pm, Buffalo House upstairs
 - Sunday, April 14
 - o Coaches Clinic 3:00-5:00pm, Buffalo House upstairs
 - o Coaches Meetings, Buffalo House upstairs
 - 8U/10U/12U at 5:30pm
 - 14U/16U/18U at 6:30pm

Motion to adjourn by John, second by Scott at 7:33pm, carries.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Goeb