



Middleton Baseball & Softball Commission

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Middleton, WI 53562-0823

May 20, 2020

MBSC Zoom Meeting Minutes

Call meeting to order at 7:30pm

Attendance: Members present, members absent, guests

Members	Yes	No	Members	Yes	No	Members	Yes	No
Jamie Guerrero	x		Mike Hinz	x		Mark Wisinski	x	x
Brian Drunasky	x		Brent Jorgensen	x		Brenda Ziegler		x
Jay Smith	x		Joe Kick	x				
Sarah Baird		x	Kelly Kick	x		Associate Members		
Brittany Carl	x		Rob Sax	x		Matt Given		x
Jerry Gurtner	x		Tom Schmitt	x		Eric Roden		x
Jenn Harless	x		Jeff Schleusner	x		Amy Siedschlag	x	
Aaron Harris	x		Dan Schrum	x		Joy Yingling		x

Covid Plan

June 6th/7th tourney, other summer tournaments

League director reports

Refund planning

Officers/terms up

Other items

Treasury report—taxes done for 2019. We have to fill out a federal form because of the amount of cash and assets that we have as an organization. This may require that we keep more specific financial records and other requirements, such as posting minutes on our website.

Commission Members/Officers Terms:

Dan Bradtke announced that he will have to resign completely from the MBSC board due to work responsibilities.

Those with terms up in October 2020 include: Jamie, Brian, Sarah, Aaron, Mike, Brent, Tom, Jeff, Dan, Mark, and Brenda.

Officers terms up in October 2020: Jamie (President), Dan (Vice-President) and Brian (Secretary). We will revisit this issue at the September meeting. Asking commission members to consider serving another term and filling vacant officer positions.

League director Updates:

- Coach Pitch (Dan) --Updated registration list sent to Dan—he is starting to divide up players into teams.
- Softball (Kelly)--Recreation-lots of questions from parents regarding the status of the season. South Central—no games until at least July. Coaches may need to do ad hoc game schedules if the league schedules cannot be played. The deadline for players to commit to playing is in mid-June.
- Cal Ripken (Mark)—rosters have been turned in to the Cal Ripken League. Have not received any recent communications from Cal Ripken League regarding the season. Have not received any requests for refunds. If CR canceled, maybe we split up the players into 4 teams and play games against each other.
- Pepper (Tom)—no requests for refunds from Pepper. He needs the player lists in order to form teams.
- High School (Brian)—Wisconsin American Legion has canceled the Legion season for 2020. This has effectively canceled most of the scheduled Legion games during the week and for weekend Legion tournaments. We will have to try to reschedule games if the season does occur. An email and questionnaire will be sent to registrants later this week.

Refunds--Jamie is getting large amount of emails about what the plans are for the MBSC season and also about refunds. Jay initiated the refund process for the volunteer fees. It is still uncertain how Sports Engine will proceed with the refund process—Jay is continuing to work on this issue. Sports Engine will apparently refund processing fees to families at some point, just not sure when this will happen. Per Jay, before we make any decision about absorbing the overhead costs in registration fees for this year, we need to make sure that we will be able to make our building payments. We will need to decide if we will be withholding part of registration fees for capital improvements, and how much will be withheld. We will vote on this issue at the next zoom meeting.



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Covid Plan:

Dane County has the stay at home order until June 26th—phase one of the Forward Dane plan will then begin. At this point, only family members may practice together during phase one. Technically we could not start any activities until June 18th at the earliest, if allowed by the Forward Dane policy. We cannot start to hold practices until allowed under the Forward Dane plan.

What do we need to do to prepare for possible opening up for practices and games?

Signage—Covid-19 signage at parks—who will be responsible for making and posting of signage?

Sanitizing dispensers—Tom will check with D’Orazio Cleaning about dispensers, hand sanitizer, etc.

City Guidance:

Jay emailed Matt Amundson from the city yesterday—he mentioned that they were waiting from guidance from Dane County. The city is starting to open up outside bathrooms next week. There are several documents from national organizations that have suggestions on how to operate youth sports during social distancing restrictions.

Concession stand—we will not provide any product from the stand for this year. We will not have the vending machines in operation either.

Covid-19 waiver forms needed? Legal adviser suggested that we use an additional waiver form for Covid-19 concerns. A new document will be developed prior to the opening of any activities. Kelly will work on drafting this form.

Adherence to social distancing, hygiene issues, etc—who is responsible? Coaches are responsible only for their team. Spectators at games would need to follow guidelines on their own. We would probably need to have signage that bleachers are for “players only”. If games are played, we will need to decide what to do with bleachers at FFMP. Other fields would require the MBSC modify to meet social distancing requirements. Jay will check with the city about providing some tools for restricting bleacher access only to players. Rob has volunteered to put together a document stating how teams should proceed with practices and games if we are allowed to proceed with activities.

Summer Tournaments

June 6-7 baseball tournament—Jamie will be sending out emails that the tournament is canceled.

June 20-21 baseball tournament—we will wait a week or two until deciding on this tournament—several teams have already dropped out.

Special Olympics tournament on June 13th—this will be canceled.

What is the latest for starting our seasons?

We will try to hold some type of season if we can get started no later than early July. We could possibly extend our seasons into August since some other fall sports may not be able to start.

Next zoom meeting probably the week of June 8th—hopefully we will have more information by then.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Drunasky, Secretary