



Anoka Ramsey Athletic Association Softball Minutes

November 12, 2019
7:00 pm Elm Crest Park

Christina Tonda | *Commissioner*

Janie Killian | *Secretary*

Ann Colford | *Treasurer*

Kevin Moore | *12U-18U Director*

Teresa Hawkinson | *6U-10U Director*

Joel Haynes | *Field/Umps/Equipment Director*

OPEN | *Communication/Sponsorship Director*

Matt Kissel | *Player Development Coordinator*

Mick Tonda | *Volunteer Coordinator*

Jesse Anderson | *Uniform Coordinator*

Jeff Henry | *Tournament Director*

Call to Order

ARAA Fastpitch Softball Board meeting was called to order by Commissioner, Christina Tonda at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Commissioner Christina Tonda, Board members Janie Killian, Ann Colford, Teresa Hawkinson, Joel Haynes, Matt Kissel, Mick Tonda, Jesse Anderson, and Jeff Henry.

Absent: Board member Kevin Moore.

Also, present: guest speaker, Meggan Staton with Minnesota Fastpitch Academy (MFA)

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Christina Tonda and seconded by Jeff Henry to approve the minutes from October 8, 2019. All in favor. Motion carried.

Dirt Devil

- Finalized Dirt Devil Dates: May 29, 30, and 31st, 2020.
- Will be filing for permit for the tournament.
- Form a subcommittee for metals, porta-potties. Three people to work tournament.
- 2019 had 8 – 8U teams, 16 10U teams, 12 – 12U teams.
- Advertise to 12U A teams?

Motion by Christina Tonda and seconded by Teresa Hawkinson to form a Dirt Devil Committee. All in favor. Motion carried.

Uniforms

- Swag store open November 13th – 22nd.
- NorthStar's to wear button down jerseys one white, one green.
- New Balance will be at Lord of Life January 17th to try on and fit gear. 10U and up 5:30 before clinic.
- 8U will wear T-shirt.
- Need to know logo by January 2020.
- Fund raiser sponsoring jersey.
- Possible banner at Alpine Park and a traveling banner?

Guest Speaker from Minnesota Fastpitch Academy (MFA)

- MFA Sport services speaker Meggan Staton proposes eight weeks of clinics for one hour on Friday nights.
- Eight pitchers per gym is ideal.
- Meggan can handle six girls if there are eight girls she can arrange for help.
- \$20 per person – minimum of \$120 per hour.
- Seven weeks of pitching and the last we add in a catcher.
- Find out how many girls.
- \$120 per hour = six girls and one instructor.
- Suggest coaches to have a clinic to learn and use the same verbiage and stay consistent with her teaching.
- Suggests having a parent there to catch for girls. Also learn verbiage.

Clinics

- 10 Friday night clinic sessions. January 3 (coaching session), 10, 17, 24, 31, February 7, 21, 28, March 13, 27, April 3rd.

Motion by Christina Tonda and seconded by Teresa Hawkinson to approve clinic dates. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Christina Tonda and seconded by Joel Haynes to hire S&C Sport services for 10 clinic sessions. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Christina Tonda and seconded by Jeff Haynes to hire MFA for 8 clinic sessions. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Charge admission to clinics.
 - \$100 for pitchers (includes pitching and clinic)
 - \$50 for catching (includes catching and clinics)
 - \$20 for 10 clinic sessions.

Motion by Christina Tonda and seconded by Jeff Henry to charge admission for pitching, catching, and clinics. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Christina Tonda and seconded by Jesse Anderson to disregard fees from September 2019 meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous

- Amend handbook on website.
- Get flyer ready for schools.
- Get prices on new big nets and mats, and catchers gear.
- Communications Director to raise funds and team logos.
- Combine Communications Coordinator and Uniforms Coordinator to be sponsorship director.
- Combine player development coordinator and assessments coordinator to be Player development Director.

Motion by Mick Tonda and seconded by Teresa Hawkinson to combine Communications Coordinator and Uniforms Coordinator to be Sponsorship Director. All in favor. Motion carried.

- Motion by Christina Tonda and seconded by Ann Colford to Combine player development coordinator and assessments coordinator to be Player development Director. All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment

ARAA Fastpitch Softball Board meeting adjourned at 9:51 pm.