

Coon Rapids Fastpitch Association Jan 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 8:00 pm 6 Jan 2021

Attendees: Mark, Jake, Laurie, Kris, Mike, Zach, Ben

Absent: Brian, Jen, Rhonda

Approve meeting agenda

Motion - Jake 2nd - Laurie UA

Approve last months meeting minutes several meetings held in the past months not yet approved. Link sent in email on 5 Jan.

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Board Members and Current End Dates: (terms end in August) (UPDATED 6JAN 2021)

Jake Cimenski, President 2021
Laurie Anderson, Treasurer, 2021
Mike Carney, Equipment Manager 2022
Rhonda Samborski, Scheduler, 2021
Kris Boden, Training Coordinator, 2022
Zach Nienaber, Tournament Director, 2022
Jennifer Kivioja, Volunteer Coordinator 2021
Ben Ruddy, Communications / Webmaster 2021
Mark Bauck, Secretary 2021
Brian Nelson, Traveling Player Rep 2022

There is a need to balance out the terms - we shouldn't have 8 people (potentially all 10) leaving in 2021. Could we get 5 volunteers to have their terms extended to 2022?
Zach, Mike, Brian

Treasurer's Report- Laurie CRFA Treasurer's Report-1/6/21

Current Balance	\$34,717.33
Previous Month's Balance	\$36,325.16 October 22 balance
Outgoing Expense Summary	\$2,550 S & C Dome Ball 16U \$192.83 Sterling Trophy (Sox) \$590 Anoka Ramsey Fastpitch (CC Refund Cashed)
Incoming Summary	\$1725 Sox Payments

2021 Liability Insurance

Laurie will get quotes, need to determine the number of teams. There are 3 sox teams (1 14 and 2 16U), and will most likely be 4 CRFA Teams 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U

Quoting Big West League insurance as well as there have been some reports that it is less expensive

Winter Training

Sunday Nights 1/10, 1/17, 1/31, 2/21, 2/28 11 am 3/1 3/8 (Dates are not reserved)

SOX using the batting cages from 6:45 to 9:15 for hitting clinics

Latest update is that the school district is not letting outside (of HS) activities in the fieldhouse so our dates are not reserved at this point.

2021 Summer Registration

_____ Signs are at the Haack's

Elementary School Flyers - can't get an email list from the district. Need it done the first week in February, can we add people to the mailing list? Ben working on this.

Registration fee was \$300 last year and \$50 for 8U.

All online payments worked really well last year. Will do the same this year (payment terms, etc.)

Need the website updated, reach out to Laurie for discount codes.

Motion Mark 2nd Zach UA

\$300 registration fee. \$50 8U includes uniform. \$100 1st year discount for 10U and up. Referral of a new CRFA player refund of \$25, limit of \$300.

Motion Mark 2nd Laurie UA

Volunteer check \$250, buyout \$150 8 hours requirement

Evaluations

Scheduled date 28 Feb 2021, High school field house is reserved. (Subject to Covid availability) Zach is confirming that we are ok here.

General discussion about potential backups in case we lose the fieldhouse. ARCC? Mark to look into this. Outdoor at the HS? Or Moor Park? Do we want to consider a backup date just before league registration for an outdoor evaluation as a backup in case indoor falls through? Needs to happen before the April Big West team scheduling meeting. 4 Apr is Easter. Big West team meeting is more than likely later that week

Need Evaluators.

Board Positions

Elections were not held this past August as the Banquet was cancelled due to Covid. According to the Bylaws the board is allowed to fill open positions in a regular monthly meeting.

Mark - Motion Kris - 2nd UA

Extend Jake and Laurie's terms to 2021 and extend Zach, Mike, Brian, Kris terms to 2022.

2021 CRFA Tournament

1st weekend in Jun \$295 Registration fee

10U open, 12U AB, 12UBC, 14U No Club, Community teams only

SOX update - Zach

1ST 14 Domeball starts 16 Jan

16U looking to pick up more Monday evening games

Starting to register for summer tournaments.

High School Program update -Zach

Starting week after spring break. Signups about a month before the season.

Need fundraising - No VB tournaments this past winter, Need about \$4K

Planning on a full season to include non-conference games. Maybe pushed back 1 week from normal. Last possible day 19 Jun. last week of May the end of the regular season.

Equipment - Mike

Buy tees

Communications / Website - Ben

_____ Website updates needed - clean up of stale data and pages.

2021 Registration needs to added

2021 CRFA tournament can be added

Add Approved meeting minutes

Player Rep Issues - Brian

No report

Volunteer Update - Jen

_____ No report

Training - Kris

ADRENALINE in Ramsey:

Booked up from 5p-10p on weeknights and all day Sundays through April.

They do have availability on weekdays from 3p-5p and various times on Saturdays.

They have "field" rentals available for \$160/hour and can have up to 36 players on one field for training. We can bring in nets, T's, do ground ball and fly ball training and infield training.

There are no cages.

P5 Sports:

Availability on Saturdays (pretty wide open), Mondays and Wednesdays from 4p-6p, Fridays 4p-close

They have 5 Tunnels - \$50/hour with 6 players per tunnel

\$90/hour for Training space of 100x40 feet with up to 20 player, but pretty short distance for throwing.

10-20% discount with bookings of 8 weeks or more.

Discussion around making a donation to the HS Fastpitch Booster Club for having HS players coach the winter clinics (donation to the booster club)

Preferred P5. Discussion around trying a couple days, possibly a signup?

Scheduling - Rhonda

No update

Open Mike

Uniforms - in the shed we have stuff we can use. Need to try and reuse uniforms on a team basis as teams will need the same uniforms.

NAFA 16U Tournament help. Last week in 29 July - Aug 1st. Boosters? Tough to get parent help.

Cross sports recruitment with hockey and basketball. Fastpitch hands out registration flyers to our players at the end of our season for BB and hockey and vice versa.

Next Meeting

10 Feb 8 pm Probably via Google meet

Adjournment at 9:27 pm

Motion Mark 2nd Mike UA