# SCMB April 17, 2023 All Saints 7:00pm

## **Welcome Everyone**

## Meeting called to order at 7:01pm.

**Present:** Gerald Johnson, Jason Soos, Dave and Lori Langen, Chad Duckworth, Toni Adair, Erlene Deobald, Garnett Unger, Quinton Chastkiewicz.

Gerald made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Lori, All in favor.

**Registration:** Update from Quinton:

Total- 286

T-ball (junior rally cap)- 30 players

Rally Cap- 100 players

11U-67 players

13U-50 players

15U-22 players

18U- 19 players.

Quinton sent out a reminder email regarding payments. It worked well. He received a bunch of payments. Registration should be paid before the player can play. Quinton will send more reminders to each player that hasn't paid. Once the season has started, the Division heads may need to remind the players to pay.

Registration will be closed after this weekend on Monday.

**Selects Tournament-** We will discuss more next meeting when Joe is here.

## **Division Reports:**

**Rally Cap-** There are 8 teams, each with a head coach, and there are 7 assistant coaches. Everything is ready to go, they just need to pick up the shirts from Butter. May 30 and June 1, photos are booked.

**11U-** There are 66 kids registered. The AAA and AA coaches are picked, and 3 house league coaches. They are all ready to get their schedules. AAA try-outs on are on Tuesday and Wednesday, and AA is on Saturday. These will be inside. House evaluations are happening on Monday, and hopefully will be outside. The Elks League starts on May 8.

**13U-** AA and AAA are good and ready for try-outs next week. House league only has 1 coach willing to help. We might get some other help after AA cuts. Evaluations still need to be planned.

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Elks League is going good, however we were the hold-up for the scheduling meeting. Next year we may need to book rep team try-outs earlier. Toni would like to book the try-outs in the Fall. We may need to quit catering to the Spring Hockey players as we have moved/cancelled and deleted practices based on these players.

**15U-** Craig is having the try-outs tonight. There are 22 kids registered. Craig is willing to take 11 kids so it allows 11 for a house league team. The only question would be if the out-of-town kids are willing to play house. He is willing to AP a few kids from house league also. We may have to bump some 15U kids into 18U Elks league if there is not enough interest.

**18U-** Kurri said try-outs are going good. He will take 14-15 players. Rylan Hildebrant will be the assistant coach.

#### **Old Business-**

## **Score Clock-**

Garnett will help lead it. It will be erected on the Kinsmen Field, more to the left field than the center. It will hopefully be up by May Long weekend.

**Fundraisers-** Konrad is not here to give an update. We are thinking of running it from middle May to the end of July. When we do get the fundraiser going, we should explain what the money is going towards, ex. Money for washrooms, batting cages. We can get some posters made and post them around all the diamonds.

**Jerseys-** This will be discussed another day when Butter is here.

**Batting Cages-** There is asphalt under the turf, that is in rough shape. We may need to address this issue. (Off the record from after we had our meeting- a flooring rep recommends we put down a subfloor rubber turf. This will prevent the ball from bouncing/rebounding. Erlene will get more information and pricing on this). We are hoping to reuse the poles. We are looking for advice on the batting cages. Toni is going to ask the new 57's coach to come with her to discuss any new ideas he may have.

We are partnering with the Big 57's. They are allocating \$2000 towards the batting cage.

# **New Business-**

**Social Media-** Ashley Langen is willing to be in charge of our social media pages. We are hoping she will update it with some scores and news articles too.

**Safe Places-** Anyone who will be assisting the team will need to be youth certified in Safe Sport. This includes coaches, bat boys and board members. Garnett has drafted a letter that we will use to submit to the RCMP for the Vulnerable check. It needs to be personalized for each person.

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**Try-out discussions-** There has been a lot of discussion about choosing teams with only indoor try-outs, and when we are conflicting with Spring Hockey. We cannot cater to the Spring Hockey players. We should not be cancelling any try-outs because some players are not able to attend. We are hoping that picking a team in Fall will help with their commitment. We want the kids that are committed to baseball to make our rep teams, not the part-time players that are choosing hockey over baseball. We hope we can get the players that make the rep teams to commit equally to hockey and baseball. We will discuss this more when the season is done.

**Coaching/Ump'ing Clinics-** The umping clinic is taking place on Saturday April 22 at All Saints school. It will run 8:30-4:00.

The coaching clinic will take place on Sunday April 23 at Prime Training. Joe will be teaching the initiation, absolute, pitching, catching and skills. The rest will remain online. There is no registration required. Just show up.

Next meeting we will discuss umpire compensation.

**League Fees-** SCMB to pay upfront and teams will reimburse when they collect team fees. Toni will send out to the Division Heads once they are finalized.

**Sponsorship-** Hailey will work on it tonight and will get the information to the Division Heads.

**Financial Report-** Konrad is not here so we don't have a report.

## Other

Toni is willing to offer her expertise to any coaches that are helping with ADHD or any sensory issues. Division Heads can hopefully pass this information along to their coaches.

Garbage-The Boy Scouts are willing to help. They are 9-13 year olds. We may also want to look at getting a dumpster, especially needing one by Ford Field. The high school kids tend to hang out near there and are having some difficulty getting their garbage into the garbage cans. Recycling will be left up to each team.

Traffic- The city has come back with a few options to help with our issues on 19th ave.

- 1- 19th ave will be closed during tournaments or major events.
- 2- 19th ave will be a 30km zone from May to September. SCMB will still need to put out our signs.
- 3- No parking in the back alley of Laurier Dr.

We are hoping to ask for both 1 and 2. #3 doesn't seem to be a problem.

Coaches and Managers are responsible for blocking off hotel rooms for tournaments. Motel 6 and Days Inn are usually very accommodating.

Next Meeting- May 8 at 7:30 Meeting Adjourned at 9:15pm.

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