#### **SCMBA**

# April 8, 2024 @ 6:30

## 57's Clubhouse

Present: Jason Soos, Chad Duckworth, Conrad Funk, Gerald Johnson, Quinton C, Dave and Lori Langen, Toni Adair and Erlene Deobald

Called to Order at 6:33pm.

Gerald Johnson made a motion to adopt the agenda, seconded by Jason, All in Favor

Quinton made a motion to adopt the minutes, seconded by Gerald, All in Favor.

## **Division Reports:**

T-ball- Monday and Wednesdays only. All coaches that offered to coach could only do Monday and Wednesday. We lost 2 kids because of no Tuesdays/Thursdays. There are 40 kids registered. We have 4 head coaches and 6 assistant coaches.

Rally-Cap- 82 kids are registered. 46- for Monday/Wednesday and 36 for Tuesday/Thursday. 8 head coaches (5 returning from last year) and 10 assistant coaches (4 returning from last year) There will be 8 teams.

Friday evenings for the 3<sup>rd</sup> years may be coached by Clay Becker. There are 22 3<sup>rd</sup> years, and that will start June 1<sup>st</sup>.

11U-72 kids are registered.

AAA/AA try-outs went well. All teams are picked.

48 kids for house league. So far only 3 coaches, but will hopefully find another to form a 4<sup>th</sup> team. The Elks meeting is held this Wednesday April 10th at 6:30 in Gull Lake.

There will be an evaluation night to equally divide up the teams.

13U- 43 kids are registered.

AAA/AA try-outs went well. Each team will have 12 players. That will leave between 18-19 players for house-depending if Hodgeville is able to form a team. Kevin Broccolo is willing to coach the house team.

With that number of kids there was discussion to form 2 teams, or just 1 team, and all kids practice and only 12 go to games (in a rotation). We will wait to decided once we know that final numbers and if Hodgeville is forming a team.

15U- 27 kids registered.

AAA- will take 12 players, AA will take the remaining 15. Eli Lafontaine will be coaching. We may have to consider cutting a couple players, or a couple have expressed interest to only practice.

18U- It is running smoothly.

The Selects tournament now has 16 confirmed teams. Fees will be due on April 15. We had 2 teams not pay last year. Toni will also be getting numbers for a supper. It will be \$25/plate. If there is a larger than expected response, she may consider renting the Stockade.

They will also be playing a pink game on Saturday afternoon. The 50/50 will be in support of Bella Brave and Rustyn.

Registrations- A few have not paid yet. There is 1- 18U player that didn't make the team but has asked to practice. If he does practice, he will need to pay the registration mostly for the insurance purpose.

We are down 6 players from last year.

Quinton asked if all division heads could send coaches lists to him. Also send anything to him that you would like added to the website.

Kidsport- There has been some controversy with KidSport, and Swift Current has been cut off. It is recommended to approach Jump Start.

**Course Updates**- Coaches courses went well. Quite a few showed up especially from T-ball and Rally Cap.

Umpires Clinic is scheduled for this weekend (April 13<sup>th</sup>). It is changed this year that is an online course. There is no need to take the course in person unless ump'ing at the 15U and 18U level.

**Tournament Dates-** All dates on the website and Baseball Sask.

Ashley will put them on the social media pages. Please give tournament details to Quinton, including tournament contacts. 11U AA is considered tier 2/3 in Swift Current.

All Fields are booked with the City. The City would like all the schedules for all games. This will allow them to have extra garbage pick-up, or to cut the lawn before a game.

**Sponsorship-** Erin Soon and Pat Friesen have offered to help with this.

SCMB will be keeping 40% this year. This money will be going towards improvements for the diamonds. This year the focus will be on the batting cages. Next year will either be upgraded bathrooms, and/or upgrades to the concession.

We will keep mentioning the sponsorship names on our social media pages, and website.

We appreciate all sponsorships from businesses or individuals.

This year will make sure all teams don't make money, however there won't be as many restrictions of what is covered by sponsorship and what is not covered,

It has been brought to our attention that 1 team has 3 Grand Slam sponsors and would like the naming rights to the team. We will have to figure out that do. Some other options may be naming rights to:

concession booth, dug-outs, batting cage, home page on website, tournament or game sponsors, or a name on another team.

It is mandatory that each player find a \$250 sponsor. If it is a new sponsor, the cost of the sign will come off the team's amount.

**Requests to move players**- We have had a new player that is born in December, and should be first year 11U. The parent has asked if he could move down to Rally Cap to play with his friends. He is also on the Austism spectrum.

The majority didn't allow him to move down. They want him to come to evaluations and see how he does. It was mentioned that if we allow this kid to move down with his friends, how many others will want to move down?

We have also had a request to allow 2 kids from Beechy to play here since they already have a child that is playing on a Swift Rep team, also the next closest town already has 15 players. We have allowed them to come if they are able to get a release from their association.

**Changing name-** If we only have 1 house league team, could we name them our "A" team? Some concerns were if they were able to go into the Elks League as an "A" team?

We could also form a Provincial team, and they could attend provincials.

We will need to get them some better jerseys with their last names on them.

?? Did Butter order shirts for the 13U house?

11U Shirts are already ordered.

June 5 is the deadline for applying to go to Provincials

**Umpires**- The umping clinic has changed this year. There is an online portion and a shorter on-field portion.

Register on Baseball Sask. SCMB will pay Baseball Sask directly.

Umpire Fees- We have set new amounts for umpires per game:

Level	Plate ump	Base Ump
11U A & AA	\$40	\$35
11U AAA	\$50	\$45
13U AAA & AA	\$55	\$50
13U A	\$40	\$35
15U AAA & AA	\$65	\$55
18U AAA	\$65	\$55

**Coaching Reimbursement-** Kurri Darby is paid \$3000 from team fees because he has signed a contract. All other non-parent coaches will need to be discussed with the team.

**Diamond Improvements-** Kiwanis diamond. Butter has contacted the City for more shale and extra work needed to be done with this diamond. Nothing has been done yet.

Could all Division heads let Butter know what needs to be done at their fields?

**New equipment**- Kurri had requested a Tee and cage to hit into when out-of-town. Toni and Butter talked and bought Tee's and Nets for all travelling teams.

New screens have been bought.

Still discussing a new shed at Mosquito South field. No prices yet.

Clothing- all head coaches and assistant coaches will get a coaches jacket. SCMB will pay for them. All board members were in favor of this.

Coaches can go to Southwest Sports Excellence and size up. Each team can decide if they want black or green, and if they want their names on them.

Teams can also decide if they want jackets for their players. If there is enough sponsorship money, this can come out of that.

Hats and Jerseys are in. We will allow the sponsorship logo on the orange jerseys only, since the players will get to keep those this year.

There will be a jersey night for each team and Butter will have the jerseys in a bag for each team. We can switch jersey sizes after if needed.

**Other-** All budgets need to be in May 1<sup>st</sup>, and all fees need to be paid to SCMB before the team's first game.

### **Board members conduct**

Next meeting April 22 at 7:00. Location to be determined.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:04pm.