

SCMB

June 19, 2023
All Saints School

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:34pm.

Chad made a motion to adopt the agenda, Butter seconded, all in favor.

Quinton made a motion to adopt the last minutes, Lori seconded, all in favor.

Division Reports:

T-ball- Kody has resigned from t-ball. Thanks for his work over the last 2 years. We have had lots of communication from him

Rally Cap- June 16, 2023

Rally Cap Director Report:

Everything going well. June weather has been much nicer to us than May. In May we were off the field due to wetness, 7 out of 19 nights. In June, so far, we only had one day due to weather that we had to stay off the fields. The Monday night teams moved to the dandelion/mosquito infested ball fields at the old St. Joes School location. We were almost not going to be able to use Diamonds #7 - #10 and T-ball was going to have to be off Diamonds #1 - #2 all this past week as the city was going to spray. Kody Orr, T-ball director, and our selves sent emails to Amanda. The city then decided to wait until this Friday to spray.

We had our tournament last Saturday, June 10 th . The Monday/Wednesday teams played the Tuesday/Thursday teams, so four games in all. We did an hour game with 2-3 inning games time permitting, with 15 minutes in between games. Some games only took 45 minutes to play 3 innings, while other games only did 2 innings in the same amount of time. The weather was great. The ball players received a freezie and a Gatorade. Lori asked for feedback from coaches on the tournament. Most said everything went well. One coach said 4 games was too much for the kids and suggested 3 games and only play 2 innings at the most. Dave's team wanted to keep playing.

We have two more weeks to the season. Last night for Monday/Wednesday teams will be on June 28th; last night for Tuesday/Thursday teams will be June 29 th .

We invited all the 3 rd year rally cap players only (born in 2015) to do extra practices on Friday nights. We had 15 players out of 34 signed up. Dave Langen, along with Bobby Singbeil and a few other dads have been doing the coaching. We picked up back catcher equipment from Jamie. The coaches have been teaching them more of the rules of baseball, base running, making plays, trying out back catching position, hitting a throwing, etc.

Of the 15 3 rd year players we have 4 players that this is their first year playing, 5 kids that it is their 2 nd year playing ball and 5 kids that this is their 3 rd year playing in Rally Cap division.

We have asked parents and kids if they would like to continue to practice into July and most have agreed. It will be a drop-in style practice. So, if kids are away on holidays, not a problem, come when they can. We will most likely go to the Fairview School ball field on a Wednesday night.

That's it for now,

Lori and Dave Langen

Rally Cap Directors

11U- All rep teams & house league coaches' roster & safe places were submitted to Quinton & Garnet respectfully by deadlines.

House league wraps up league play June 19. Doesn't look as though any Swift teams will make the top 4 for playoffs. I have added 3 games at end of the season for some Swift vs Swift exhibition games along with a few more practices to get them through June 28. I have had lots of positive feedback on joining the Elks League at the U11 age group.

AA is over half done league play. Sitting in 11th out of 12 teams but the young team has shown great improvement week to week. Attended tournaments in Saskatoon & Meadow Lake. Home Tournament is June 30-July 2. Six teams entered & paid. Any expenses besides balls, chalk, & umpires? Will concession be open?

AAA is about half done league play. Sitting in 7th out of 8 teams. Young team as well but have lost some very close games. Attended Regina & Saskatoon tournaments. The home tournament was June 2-4. Five teams attended & Swift lost in the final.

Equipment-wise U11 needs more chalk, which I have notified Jamie. I have used one bag from U11 AAA & one bag from U11 AA for house league. AA had its first home games on weekend & was only 2 bags left from U11 AA pile. Don't see anything left from U11 AAA pile. Will need more for weekend as AAA has 3 games & AA has 4 games this weekend.

Diamond dry costs \$37/bag, chalk is \$17/bag.

13U- 2023 U13 Division

-Elks League would like our teams to be picked earlier so the schedule and possibly play can start earlier

-having house league play in Elks League with some better competition was successful and would recommend to carry on this way

-Riverdene Park - could use some work with replacing home plate and the mound could be built up a bit with some clay. Weeds are creeping into infield from the outfield.

-Kiwanis Park diamond. Weeds could be sprayed against backstop before freeze up will help for next spring. The mound could also use some clay like Riverdene.

-batting cages could use another L screen that stays at the cages.

-U13 AA could use new catcher gear

-Umpires were good and showed up to all games as scheduled.

-Coaches in the entire division have been great with no issues to report

We have insurance for the diamonds from April to April, and the diamonds are rented until the end of August.

Regarding the weeds, the city doesn't want us to spray, however we may have to offer some money for the spray since they are out of control.

We will look into where the L- screens may have gone since there were 3 in the batting cages, and now there is only 1 left. Butter will look into it and fix the one that is there.

For the 13U AA, they will have access to use the house league gear, and we can figure out new gear next year.

15U- there are 5 kids trying out for team Sask. No issues with this level.

18U- It is going Ok, We have had 1 kid quit, but they will not be offered a refund.

We may need to purchase a couple more speaker or announcing systems.

Equipment- Chalk has been restocked and labelled. If anyone is to rework the mound, use the clay dirt on the East side of the garage, it is covered with a tarp. Try to use that first before using the bags of clay as the bags are expensive.

-Practice balls are not getting "lost" as much as last year. The spray paint must be helping. There were 4 dozen balls per bucket at the beginning of the year.

Budgets- 11U AA- approved with 3 items removed.

11U AAA- not complete

13UAAA- not complete

13U AA- Manager was sick so was not submitted yet.

15UAAA- Approved

18UAAA- Approved

Motion to approve made by Butter, seconded by Gerald.

Garnett is going to make up a template regarding what we need to see and what is acceptable to count as an expense to be reimbursed by the sponsorship.

Chalk should now be marked down as \$10/game (1/2 bag used)

Bank- the Credit Union wants to clean up our accounts, so we are unable to e-transfer anymore as they are confused with some of our accounts.

Sponsorship- Cheques are still coming in. Next year we need a date that cheques need to be in. Social media posts were sent to each manager. All field signs are up, and the big sign is coming.

Next year we had Chaline Silbernagel offer to go out and get 2 big sponsors for SCMB instead of all these small ones. We will need to discuss this more later.

Other- Next year we may need to educate the coaches to use less chalk as the price keeps increasing on the chalk. There are also 4-5 puddle pillows that can be used. We may consider purchasing some sump pumps for next year if we need to get rid of the rain water quickly.

Next meeting- July 10 at 7:30

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 pm.

Finacial Report- no report.