

Rosemount Girls Traveling Fastpitch Softball Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting

Date: 10/13/2024

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Robert Trail Library

Present: Amber Shermo, Amy Hall, Tricia Paulson, Sonja Obrycki, Shelby Pogatchnik, Janie Lambert, Katie Nemitz

Not Present: Danielle Waage, Mindy McBride, Debbie Stovall, Nicole Bradley, Cory Samuelson, Jennifer Chappuis - RAAA liaison

Guests: Dani Peters

Meeting Called to Order: 6:06 pm

Secretary's Report: (Janie Lambert) GTFS Board approved meeting minutes from 9/8/2024 via email on 9/11/24.

Treasurer's Report: (Katie Nemitz) \$48,315.77 ending budget balance 9/30/2024

Meeting Topics

- **Shout Outs/Welcome Guests**
 - Welcome Dani Peters - Interested in the open Player Development position
 - Shout outs:
 - Heidi: for all the work she put in to update the by-laws for final approval
 - Debbie: for the tremendous amount of work put into the fall ball weekends of hosting and the fall tournament
 - Nicole & Shelby: for all the running they did with concessions - it was a huge success!
 - Katie: for staying on top of the financials, cutting checks, etc
 - Amber: for jumping right into the director role
- **Next Board Meeting: Sunday, November 10th @ 6:00 pm at Robert Trail Library**
- **Upcoming Timeline review**
 - Link to Public Google Calendar for upcoming important dates. Link to be shared with families for awareness of important dates (state tournaments in spring/fall, parent meeting, etc).
 - <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/3?cid=dHJhdmVsaW5nLXNvZnRiYWxsQHJvc2Vtb3VudC1hYWUub3Jn>
 - Internal Board Softball Calendar of to-dos from last year
 - Amber provided link to individual board members to utilize for reminders for next year or reminders when passing on a board position to a new member

Larger Topics for Discussion & Focus

- **By-Laws (Amber)**
 - Board voted via email to approve by-laws
 - Now awaiting approval from the RAAA main board
 - Once approved, will get them posted to the website
- **Fall Ball**
 - End of season survey was sent out by RAAA last week
 - Only head coaches were listed on the reviews
 - Danielle planning to do coach reviews
- **Fundraising (Shelby/Nicole)**
 - Fall weekend concession totals
 - \$11,067 (net profit)
 - \$4,000 taken by Square (3%)
 - Discussion around different options for next season
 - Had difficulty filling grilling shifts
 - Ideas: walking tacos, baked potato bar
 - Discussion around remaining product
 - Plan to donate extras to the Resource center in Rosemount
 - Blankets
 - Board purchased 100 units
 - Have sold 37
 - 63 remaining
 - Consider more advertising via Facebook
 - Promote for hockey, football, soccer
 - Venmo
 - Discussion around use of Venmo instead of Square
 - Amber to check with RAAA
 - Future Community Night Options
 - Ideas included: Inver Grove Brewing, Jersey Mike's, Culver's, Chipotle
- **Player Development (Amy & Sonja)**
 - Dome Ball Registration Opened 9/30, Closes 11/1
 - Season Starts Wed 11/6 & Fri 11/8
 - Resources:
 - Wind Up Fastpitch no longer able to assist/provide help
 - Strike Zone Sports - Sam Macken will design and run Wednesday night dome training
 - Friday's will be run by college/high school players and coach volunteers
 - Will need to consider budget for how many we can hire for Fridays
 - Julie Graf is available for weekend pitching lessons (Jan-March)
 - Planning to schedule a call with volunteer coaches to discuss dome assist and signing up to volunteer
 - Need try out dates finalized
 - Will schedule an additional meeting for try out prep
 - Discussion around considering additional site for try-out (Tru Playerz) due to inability to lengthen sessions at the dome
 - Consider an off site facility for 8u tryouts
- **Finances (Katie)**

- Gave presentation on current budget
- 2025 Budget progress
 - Due mid-November
 - Will contact board members that will have input (player development, equipment, concessions, uniforms, etc)

- **Board Member Terms**

- Term ending in October
 - Chad - not renewing
- Terms ending in December
 - Cory - not renewing
 - Janie - renewing for 1 year
- Current open positions:
 - Communications
 - Player Development (Dani interested - due to limited board members present, will vote via email)
 - Volunteer Coordinator
 - Community & Culture
 - Club Direction
 - Equipment (Open in December)

- **Director Discussion**

- Amber would like each member to document board role and responsibilities in detail
- Promote dome training once resources are set
- Local apparel vendor HumNow wanting to provide us a link with apparel options for holiday shopping
 - Kickback of 10-15%
 - Discussion around considering them as another resource for jerseys

- **Meeting adjourned @ 7:38 PM**

- **Next regularly meeting scheduled for Sunday, November 10th at 6pm @ Robert Trail Library**

- **Meeting minutes prepared by: Janie Lambert, Secretary**