

MBA Monthly Meeting 9/5/2019

Attendance: Ben Lamp, Matt Bailey, Kristin Brooks, Mike Hinkle, Luke Woodward, Marty Gordon, Jim Buckingham, Ethan Brathuhn, George Kues, Misty Brathuhn, Bill Irwin & John Wennell

Treasurers Report: In-House- \$31,742, Travel - \$11,095.50

Old Business: Fall-Ball off and running first game is Saturday one here and one away against Westminster.

Field work done at Cape Horn Friday night. Bases need to be fixed and mound. Where to store the portable mound. New shed for Cape Horn. Maybe get clay and clay bricks to redo the mound. Fix home plate. Use portable mound for Saturday then maybe fix the mound.

Fall Clinics- Mike Hinkle, 34 kids need more coaches, 4 stations and move kids around need kids to sign up.

Self Help- Submitted for drastic work to be done at MES. Start with there and move to the other fields. Principle at MES was talked to and it was signed by the Board of Education. Quote needed and wording changed. Bring back A Field, grade it down and add dirt. 575 tons of dirt to do the 3 fields. MT Laney will do the work. We get the money in the fall and may be too late to do the work until the spring of next year.

Fields- Need dates for cleanup for fall or spring. Will give plenty of notice.

Batting Cage at Cape Horn

Town is easier to work with, add work to C Field invest donation is a year old attendance at Christmas Tree Park is higher than Cape Horn.

A Field should be used for Fall-ball (but now they play on Saturday) football parks on A Field. Ben talked to Justin (with football) games until 7 and practice and parking on A Field. Fall Ball this year thrown together. Work with Justin for next year. Parking is an issue. Next year open concession stand.

Braylon Haubert- Batting cage at Cape Horn wants to do it for his Eagle Scout Project. He is going to raise the money. Have everything ready to be done by the

spring. Needs approval from MBA, Rec Council, and Parks and Rec. Board voted to let him do the cage at Cape Horn.

Batting cage at Cape Horn vs. Christmas Tree Park is there a place to put it at CTP, maybe between C & D Field. Marty Gordon will talk to Steve Miller with the town and the Fire Department.

Hampstead- Met with Rick, Eric, and Rob. Ben is brand new and moving forward. In the spring play each other 9/10 & 11/12. Their organization is different than ours. Don't have travel their better kids are playing in-house and we don't have that. They are open to be fun and fair, if they aren't being killed. If we work with them to even teams (don't plan to use their best players) They are open about their plan for a unified organization at some sort of level not enough kids for 2 programs.

Bill Irwin- Don't make teams even (stack one)

George Kues- Hampstead is not willing to join the Rec Council. If you want to play in-house the teams need to be even. Don't start travel until 13U their All-Star team plays in a tournament at the end of the season. 8U disperse through in-house then practice together.

Ben Lamp- Thinks that something needs to be done everything was up in the air with travel. Think about what is best for the organization.

Don't have kids that are good enough we don't have travel. Every other organization has done it

Hampstead doesn't like that he doesn't have control of the fields.

Sharing fields if we are together

Need to be on a level field.

Live in Hampstead go to Hampstead, live in Manchester go to Manchester. Mix them to even teams.

Still need money to run the program. Best for the players to merge at some point. One travel program for the area.

Jim Buckingham- Need better players to play on the in-house.

Meeting Adjourned- 9:35

