

MBA Monthly Meeting 12/6/2018

Opening: Meeting was opened by Jackie Barlow, President at 8:00 pm.

Attendance: Jackie Barlow, Jason Whitney, Rob Rickabaugh, Matt Muller, Ethan Brathuhn, Jeffery Howard, Steve Millington, Scotty Glover, Matt Bailey, & Misty Brathuhn.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Approved

Treasurers Report: In-House \$29,951.02, Travel \$20,763.09. Travel Deposits in.

Old Business:

Shed cleanup was Nov. 3 they look much better, equipment in B, C, & D moved to A and inventory done. Batting cage at CTP is up turf is still at Steve's. Need to roll it out to see what fits.

Emails about L-screen and mats. Will wait on mats until we see what turf covers. Get a moderate priced screen that will last a few years. Net drops down to separate cage. Will discuss more in Jan. and Feb.

TOFF update letter and start after the new year.

Have not heard back from Park & Rec the meeting is next week.

Met with the town of Manchester about C&D field it was a good meeting with us and football. Most of the topics were football. Work with football in between season. We have field until July 31st. Football starts August 1st. Need to make sure trash is cleaned up. Football merging with Hampstead and Justin Otto is the new president.

Town wants to put new lights on D they have \$108,000 and need \$250 - \$270. Afraid state will take what they have if they don't use it. Talk to Rec Council and local businesses and see if they will help. Discussed to move the old lights to C field and they said it was OK. Concerned C is older than D. Want new steel poles with LED lights for football and baseball regulation height. If lights don't come through they will use the money for the fence. Hoping to put another field behind D field but they need fill dirt. What about the lights at NCHS County said there is no money. Maybe team with football to get money for self-help. Serious about getting lights are there problems with them, liability of them falling.

Update the scoreboard, there is someone in Eldersburg that would wrap what's there. Football has remote and it can be used by baseball.

New Business:

Matt and Jackie met with Stone Alley with pricing, integrated registration, our ads. Looking at different options. Once we give the OK can be done in 9 days. Annual Fee. Basic- stock template (free). Pro- (\$240) pre-built we can add few. Onetime \$400 fee to add registration. Premium- (\$780) they handle credit card processing.

Uniform fitting- see if Dick's can get us helmets or if Mike is cheaper. Champro \$30 last year from Mike. Uniforms in good shape want to order them earlier. Jeff Scott- If it wasn't for rain we wouldn't have had them in time this year.

Getting dates for evaluations, want to divide it up to more Saturdays, 2 in Feb and 2 in March. Some people don't come.

In-House: Nothing to report.

Travel: Steve –Practices going well let the school know if the team won't be there. Team needs to walk out the door at end time. Dates are ironed out. Custodians get paid for half an hour after we leave.

Jackie- Fee- registration for each player to cover maintenance. \$15 NCRC. \$45-\$50 per player, Team Fee flat fee no matter how many players. Unless we make a change.

Steve-\$45 a player is a heavy fee, some teams don't use the fields.

In-house sponsor fee goes to the, Travel sponsor goes to that team only

Jeff Scott - When you are tournament only don't start until high school ends. 10 tournaments, practice one time a week, might only use the field 10 times \$50 every time I use the field. Try to keep the cost down for the players. As they get older fees go up and want players that aspire to play in college. Can you justify fee when I maintain the fields with my own equipment? Insurance costs aren't that much. Look at the \$700 average tournament fee.

Jackie - Open to have the board discuss it. Other teams use our equipment and \$50 doesn't cover the maintenance.

Jeff Scott - If you coach you are responsible for taking care of the field. Would like to see \$250 fee for his team. Used NCHS 5 times last year and worked with Elijah (Semi-pro). If we play 10 tournaments we use the field 10 times for 90 minutes.

Steve - Discuss it later

Scotty - Breakdown the cost of what is used at CTP and Cape Horn

Steve - Teams that doesn't play games there

MABA Team fees by how many times you use the field?

Transparency side if it is broken down by what is used and field usage

Travel- 14U team Rec Day 8-12 year olds to work with them joint practice in spring

Need something to put under portable mound

Committee Reports:

By-Laws – Jackie, no report.

Maintenance - Matt to take over that and form a committee. Someone else interested in helping has experience with turf maintenance

Public Relations - Matt Bishop - Good with the website reg use, billboards, website people may want to sponsor a certain website page.

Rules - Ben sent rule changes. Jackie meeting with Westminster 13-15 90 ft. diamond. Charles Carroll not involved, Sykesville has their own things. Something we are looking at 11/12 switch to USSA bats.

Concessions – No report

Fundraising – No report

Uniforms – No report

Nomination – No Report

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.