

RGAA

Meeting Minutes - Monday, November 3, 2014

Call to order

Drew Boots called the regular meeting of RGAA to order at 7:06pm on Monday, November 3, 2014 at the Riverside Middle School.

Roll Call

The following persons were present:

- Drew Boots
- Eric Smith
- Lisa Boots
- Valerie Hardy
- Bronson Bailey
- Nicole Crawford
- Trisha Zappia
- Chad Dwyer
- Chris Wissinger
- Jamie Zona
- Jerry Koller
- Geri Lynn Cummings
- Chuck Sterner
- Frank Frederick
- Alice Gretch

Treasury Report

Submitted for approval by Lisa Boots. See attached

- Ending Balance: \$8,726.87.
- Petty Cash: \$105.00
- Approval
 - First:
 - Second:

Snack Shack Report

- Ending Balance: \$2,500.00

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Submitted for approval by Valerie Hardy.

- Approval
 - First:
 - Second:

Old Business

- Thank you letter still needs to be sent to Sysco for various items donated for picnic, including hot dogs, plates, buns, and napkins.
- Fall letters still need to be mailed out to the Local Townships.
- Drew has tried contacting Sprow about the fields numerous times. Because S&S is so expensive, the Board is going to wait and try contacting Sprow again. If anyone knows someone else capable, the Board is open to other affordable options.
- Drew asked Val to send a thank you to Bob Hardy for mowing all year.
- Fields were closed Sunday, Oct 12. Thank you to the large turnout of help. Drew asked that Val send a thank you to RJ Kraus for bringing his loader to the field.
- Eric wanted to make a note to those who come out for work days - the board only has authority to buy something up to \$200 on the spot. Something more than that will need to be brought up at a meeting and voted on.
- Field signs had to be trashed. Lisa has already contacted Signs By Sam to get new signs made for the sponsors that she knows will sponsor again in 2015.
- Snack shack was cleaned out. Remaining candy/chips that were going to expire were donated to Marion Township for their trick or treat hand out.
- All volunteer checks from Fall Season were distributed.
- Lisa arranged to have the Port-a-Johns removed.
- Lisa had sponsor plaques from Spring 2014 made and also picked up the 2013 plaques.
- The new pitching rubbers that Chuck Sterner had made a motion to install on all 3 fields are only \$30 a piece. Each field would need 4 inserts and 1 pitching rubber which would cost \$120 per field or \$360 total. Chad Dwyer suggested that the Board order 1 because he may be able to make them much cheaper. Lisa is going to order one.

New Business

- Night at the Races
 - Date will be either February 21 or 28 dependent on when RGAA can get a gym for the draft
 - Lisa will reserve the North Sewickley Fire Hall
 - Lisa will contact Rudy Spielvogel for a price because everyone was very happy with him last year.
- Draft
 - Date will be either February 21 or 28 dependent on when RGAA can get a gym
 - Val will contact Wolfe to finalize a date
- Val will apply for Dick's sponsorship
- Val will investigate what information is needed for the Pirates grant. Eric will find the paperwork to make sure RGAA is filed as a non-profit organization and find the tax id.
- Drew questioned why only a few sponsors were on the website. Since Val had only put Fall sponsors on the website thus far, Lisa gave Val a list of all sponsors, and Val will add all sponsors to the site.
 - Currently on site: Young's Barber Shop, Fryer Excavating, Beachem's Sandblasting, Medart, Smiles By Dahar

- Need to be added: ESB Bank, Paradise, NALCO, Mercer Mini Mart, Signs By Sam, LTR, JR Emerick, Sportswear Graphics, Tanya Speicher's Salon, Ultimate Roofing & Construction LLC, Boots Construction Inc. EKO Peak Farm, Lake Forest Gardens, Clyde Excavating
- Spring registration will be held January 20, 22, and 28 from 5-8 and January 24 from 9-1. 2015 registration fees (\$50/\$65 slowpitch/fastpitch), volunteer fees (\$50), and late fees (\$50) will all remain the same as 2014.
- Val will need to have flyers ready to be sent out early January for registration. Included in the flyers will be a note about donating gently used equipment (cleats, bats, helmets) at registration which will then be made available at the draft.
- Geri Lynn will re-investigate the cost of putting a playground in at the field. Chuck will find out if insurance would cover a playground.
- Putting in a batting cage was discussed
- Pitching areas at each field were also discussed. There used to be an area at each field.
- Geri Lynn brought up the 5-8 year old league and suggested the 8U fastpitch and 5-8 slowpitch leagues be combined into a 5-8 year old coach pitch league. Since the league is non-competitive, it would be easier on the players and parents to not travel. The current 5-8 year old rules still include a 3 strikes and you're out rule, but the league has 'morphed' into giving many chances until the girl gets a hit. If the two combine, leading off would not be taught to the girls as it would confuse them. This league and rules will be discussed at the December meeting.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 8, 2014 at 7pm in the Riverside Middle School Old Cafeteria.

Adjournment

Drew Boots adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm