

Clairemont Girls Fast Pitch Softball League

Board Meeting

March 20, 2007

Rocky Cole, League President, called the meeting to order at 7:20pm at Clairemont Covenant Church.

Meeting Attended by: Rocky Cole, Pattie Estrada, Harold Colson, Bob Wood, Lori Whitley, Mike Reichert, Kathy Fears, Michelle Mendez, Carol Lathrop and Debbie Duncan

Bob motioned to approve the minutes from the March 6, 2007 board meeting as printed. Lori seconded the motion.

Motion Carried.

President's report – Rocky Cole

- Brad Crawford has been volunteering to umpire some of the 8U games on a trial basis – that has gone well. He can continue to umpire until the league paid umpires start in 8U.
- The 100 Inning pens will sell for \$2.00 each.
- There has been some trouble with umpires not showing up. We've paid the umpires in advance so we'll have to ask for a refund or credit for those games missed.
 - If an umpire does not show up the procedure is to call Garth (Umpire in Chief)
 - If there are comments about an umpire (good or bad) – get the umpire's name and send an email to your division representative.

Vice President's report – Pattie Estrada.

- The clinics have had about a 50% participation rate for all divisions.
- Hernandez helmet airbrushing will be at the field on April 21st.
- We would like to do an Easter egg hunt for the 6U division.

Debbie made a motion to allocate \$100.00 for egg hunt supplies. Lori seconded the motion.

Motion Carried.

- All Star tournaments:
 - The check for the Carlsbad tournament has been mailed.
 - Pattie will email Laguna Niguel
 - The check for Peninsula will be sent.

Secretary's report – Debbie Duncan.

I've inquired adding can cozies to our supply of merchandise to sell. The details are as follows:

Minimum of 250 pieces @ \$0.75/each
\$45.00 set up fee and a \$20.00 typesetting fee.

Suggested sayings –
No Crying in Softball!
Don't send a boy to do a girl's job!
If fastpitch was easy...boys could play!

\$400.00 was approved by the board via email. We'll see what we can get for that.

Treasurer's report – Lori Whitley

- There are still players whose registration fees are not yet paid in full. Lori will send invoices to those families.
- Do we waive the volunteer fee for the Scholarship recipients?

Lori made motion to refund \$40.00 volunteer fee to the Scholarship recipients. Debbie seconded the motion.

Motion Carried.

Player Agent – Carol Lathrop

- Team E needs larger 100 Inning shirts.
- There is a new 8U player on Jennifer Seaux's team.
- The conduct of coaches and managers has become inappropriate with yelling and arguing.
 - Proper conduct should be readdressed with managers at the manager's meeting on March 27th.
 - If questions arise managers should call time and talk to the umpire.

Umpire in Chief – Garth Klem. Absent.

Division Representatives:

6U Division – Jessica Broadhead

- The clinics are always offered during church services for the 6U players. Could the clinics start later?

There will not be any more clinics this season. This will be taken into consideration when scheduling for next season.

- The refund check for the 6U player as not yet been received.

It has already been mailed.

10U Division – Bob Wood

- The 10U teams have an uneven number of games against each other. Could we count the last 7 games for the playoffs?

This will be tabled until we can look at the schedules.

12U Division – Michelle Mendez. No report.

Equipment Manager's report – Mike Reichert.

- Pitching machine balls should be in by Thursday.
- 12-inch balls were ordered through LeeAnn using her discount.

Snack Bar report – Cati Gaboian. Absent.

Volunteer Coordinator – Kathy Fears.

- The 100 Inning snack bar schedule has been emailed to team parents.

Old Business –

- All of the paperwork has been filed with the city. We can move ahead with the handicap door on snack bar #2.
- Promotional items –
 - Can cozies will be ordered.
 - Debbie and Lori will organize the sweatshirts and T-shirts for sale.
- Lenny is doing the league directory.
- The pitching machine balls came in but are very hard. If we can't find softer balls we'll keep what we have.

New Business:

- We need to communicate with everyone to encourage people to look at our website. There is a lot of information there.
- The batting cages are looking bad! The weeds are out of control and need to be pulled.
 - Don will take care of the dirt.
 - We'll get the mats for the ground.

Pattie motioned to allocate \$100.00 for supplies to clean up the weeds in and around the batting cages. Mike seconded the motion.

Motion Carried.

- Skateboarders have been a problem lately. The police have become involved and have taken the skateboards.
 - We need to check with the city to see if skateboarding is allowed at the park.
 - If the skateboarders are there and causing trouble call the police non-emergency number and file a complaint.
 - When closing up always have 2 people for safety reasons.
- The Parker Family loss.
 - A drawing will be held at the end of the season for a free registration for next season in honor of the Parker Family.
 - Carol is taking up a collection of meals to donate to the Parker Family. She will be at the field on Friday afternoon to pick up the donations and then deliver them. Please have them in freezable containers.
 - Should the league send flowers to the service?
 - Should the league make a donation to the Cancer Society in the Parker Family name?

100 Inning Game:

- Coaches can be on the field during the games as necessary – this should be treated as an all day practice.
- The grill will be closed down about 5:30pm depending on how busy it is.
- For every \$5.00 donated 1 prize ticket will be placed in a can for a raffle at the end of the season.
- There will be prizes given out at the closing ceremonies for the overall top fundraiser and division winners.
- Sandy Candy will be available for sale. We have 500 large straws. They will sell for \$3.00/each

Rules:

- Open inning is the Last inning (this is a judgment by the umpire). If the game continues – all subsequent innings will remain open.
- Page 138 of the rulebook – if a person has the ball you must avoid a collision at any base. For our league this means slide.
 - For the safety of our girls they must learn to slide.
 - There is discussion that we should have a sliding clinic with all teams working together.
 - Ask Jennifer Seaux if she would help run a sliding clinic.
- Girls should rotate in and play infield. If this is a true safety issue the girl should perhaps be playing down a division.
- Pitching is currently 5 innings/game and 7 innings/week for 12U and 14U. This will change to 4 innings/game and 7 innings/week. Interleague games do not count.
 - 1 pitch is considered 1 inning.

The next scheduled board meeting will be Tuesday, April 17, 2007 at 7:30pm at the Clairemont Covenant Church.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15pm.

Debbie Duncan
CGFP Secretary 2007