

MEDIA AREA GIRLS SOFTBALL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 1, 2009



ATTENDEES

Steve Byrne
Chris Bannan
Bill Roller
Steve McLarnon
Jim Swiniuch

Pete Thomas
Joe Mirarchi
Ernie Ricco
Terri McCabe
Harry Moore

ABSENT

Pat Dougherty
Mark Ballew

Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes for October by Pete Thomas and seconded by Bill Roller and approved by the Board.

A motion was made to approve the minutes for November by Pete Thomas and seconded By Jim Swiniuch and approved by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

The League is looking into the possibility of replacing the tractor used to drag the fields with an electric golf cart. This would allow volunteers to prepare the fields for play without disturbing the neighbors. Consideration is being given to offsetting the cost of the electric cart with donations. The model under review would fit into the shed at Barrall Field.

There was more discussion about using the old Van Wyck dealership property for batting practice. Any players without insurance must pay \$15 to the League to be included in the MAGS Policy. A list of players interested in using the cage would be kept by the League and each player would be asked for a monthly contribution of \$15/person or \$50 for the season. The \$15.00 used for insurance purposes would be applied to the players registration fees for the 2010 season.

A letter to all participants using the batting cage explaining the requirements for use and the insurance fees is available on site for players to read. Players are requested to complete the spreadsheet at the cage and make their payments before batting.

Clean up day at Barrall Field on November 22nd was a huge success – the League would like to thank all the volunteers who came out to help with the clean up. Community Service was also involved in helping the volunteers prepare the field for winter.

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Nether Providence Athletic Association (NPAA) will participate in the Fast Pitch Division of the Del Val League as a stand alone organization in the respective age group they have a representative team. NPAA will continue participation in MAGS Slow Pitch Division.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SLOW PITCH DIVISION

No Report

FAST PITCH DIVISION

Indoor practices for the ten (10) and under and the twelve (12) and under girls will begin on Friday night, December 4th at the Davidson Gym at Elwyn. Practices for the fourteen (14) and under girls will be held on Sunday afternoons beginning in January at the Davidson Gym.

Tryouts for all age groups will be scheduled for February. Dates and times for all practices and tryouts will be announced on the MAGS website.

FINANCE

The Account Balance figure as of November 13, 2009 is \$23,011.00.

SECRETARY

No Report

REGISTRATION

The Winterball Softball Clinic is scheduled for all Media Area girls in grades 1st through 5th. Winterball gives the girls the opportunity to work on fielding, throwing, hitting and the fundamentals of the game with the High School players at the Penncrest High School Auxiliary Gym. The registration form is available on the League website and must be returned with a check in the amount of \$40.00 payable to Media Area Girls Softball.

The schedule for the Winterball clinic is as follows:

Dates: January 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th and February 5th and 29th

Times: from 6:30 to 7:30 pm for 1st and 2nd grades
and 7:40 to 8:40 pm for 3rd, 4th and 5th grades.

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Terri McCabe will handle the registration process next season including all registration forms and collection of payments. Fast Pitch players cannot tryout for a team unless their fees are paid and the Slow Pitch registration form must be complete before a player can be assigned to a team.

Permit applications are not due until December. Permits for the field locations will be the same as the 2009 Season and the League is applying for a permit to play on the Softball Field at Penncrest High School.

SNACK BAR

The Media Borough has begun construction on upgrading the snack bar and bathroom to be ADA compliant. The league has not been involved in the process and has had no input into the work.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board of Director positions for the 2010 Season are as follows:

President -	Steve Byrne
Vice President - Slow Pitch	Chris Bannan
Vice President - Fast Pitch	Steve McLarnon
Vice President - Development	Bill Roller
Treasurer -	Terri McCabe
Secretary -	Joe Mirarchi
Registration -	Terri McCabe
Fields/Development -	Bill Roller
Commissioner – Senior Division	Bob Fadgen
Commissioner – Intermediate Division	Jim Swiniuch
Commissioner – Junior Division	Jenn Metzger
Umpire Coordinator -	Ernie Ricco
Game Day Coordinator Field -	Harry Moore

The League is considering selling the Lottery Raffle tickets during May / June with the drawings planned for July 1st to July 31st. Bill Roller is looking into the feasibility of holding the lottery during the softball season.

The Modell's Team Week fundraiser is an option this year to help raise needed revenue. Steve Byrne will contact Modell's again this year to make sure they are still offering this promotion.

The League has considered changing the name of the monthly meeting to the Board of Directors and the General Membership meeting with the call to order for 7:00 – 7:05 pm.

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Tabled

Registration forms and fees for the 2010 season.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

NEXT MEETING: January 5th