

MEDIA AREA GIRLS SOFTBALL
MINUTES
MARCH 3, 2008

WEB SITE

Suggestions for the web site are needed. Information posted on the web site @ www.mediasoftball.org should be in constant flow and development. The advantage to using the web site cannot be emphasized enough. Chris Bannan (610-565-8846) welcomes suggestions and ideas that could help the League in this important aspect of our expansion.

REGISTRATION

Slow Pitch registration will be open until March 10th. A \$10.00 late fee will be assessed after February 28, 2008. Any request for a specific team may not be possible to accommodate at this late date.

Slow pitch teams for the 2008 season include:

Senior Division	-	Seven (7) teams
Intermediate Division	-	Seven (7) teams
Junior Division	-	Ten (10) teams

FIELDS

The League has obtained permission from the Rocky Run Y to convert one of the fields into a softball field . Work on the field was successful and this field should be ready for the 2008 Season. Maintenance on the Rocky Run field will be scheduled to install the base mounts once the fields dry out and the field clean up day for Barrall is now scheduled for March 15, 2008. All fields that the Media Area Girls Softball League plays on involve a fee of at least \$500.00 each.

EQUIPMENT/COACHES NEEDED

Helmets w/cage are available to the players through the League for \$20.00 for Slow pitch players and \$30.00 (pending on shield) for Fast Pitch players.

The deadline to order is March 10, 2008. Only Fast Pitch players and Penncrest Players should order the Red Helmets.

All coaches should inventory their equipment and submit needed equipment as soon as possible. Coaches leaving the League should turn in their teams' equipment to Bill Roller immediately. Volunteers are in demand to coach teams in the Slow Pitch Junior Division and the Intermediate Division and to help as assistants in the Fast Pitch Division. Volunteers are needed to help install base mounts at Rocky Run. And volunteers are needed to help at the March clean-up day at Barrall field and at Rose Tree Elementary.

FINANCE

The February raffle was very successful as a fundraiser. The League realized a net total of \$3125.00.

SPONSORS-UMPIRES-SNACKBAR

Bob Memory 's umpire association will train umpires for the Junior Division games this year with all fees for the training paid for by the League. Tri-county umpire association will assign the umpires for all Senior Division and Intermediate Division games. Steve Byrne will handle the Sponsor solicitations – if new prospective sponsors are interested in contributing to the league through team sponsorship, please submit names to Steve Byrne @ 610-566-4128. As of the March 3rd Board meeting, twelve (12) sponsors are needed for the 2008 season. Upgrades to the Snack bar are being considered, including, a possible 2nd floor addition and renovating the restrooms. One possible change to the snack bar will make it handicapped accessible. The Rose Tree School District contribution to the renovation is \$13,000.00. To date, there has been no movement on any proposed renovations.

PUBLICITY

Chris Bannan was responsible for all the publicity for the League during the 2007 Season. The Board of Directors would like to make the web site user friendly and accessible for information about the teams in the League, the division standings and scores and highlights of the games. A new graphics design for the Web site home page is being considered. The new graphics are designed by Bob Sundra. Fast pitch coaches and Slow pitch coaches of each winning team must call their respective commissioner with the scores and highlights of each game. Each team schedule will be posted on the web site and a photo of the player and/or play of the week. Pictures of the Winterball participants have been posted on the Web site and they have appeared in the Media Press. Also, the minutes of each board meeting will be posted on the web site.

RULES CHANGES

- (1) All make up games due to weather and/or player conflicts will be rescheduled within Seven (7) days.
- (2) Coaches in the Junior Division must finish an inning in which the second pitcher in that inning has thrown six (6) consecutive balls.

New Business:

Junior Umpires needed for the 2008 Season.

Walt Peliggi Scholarship.

Instruction/Information clinic for all coaches March 16th @ 5:00 pm at Elwyn.

Next meeting: April 7th

