

MIDLAND SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

January 14, 2019

Present: L. DUNLAP, BOULTON, CURRIE, S. WARNER, S. DUNLAP, ENSZER, RAPANOS, WALLACE, GEHOSKI, DOMINOWSKI, STEWART, LANGLOIS, McPEAK, HANSON, K.WARNER, and CHICHESTER.

Call to order: President S. Warner called the meeting to order at 5:34p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of December 10, 2018 were distributed and read. Rapanos made a motion to approve the minutes. S. Dunlap seconded. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: Tabled until Gehoski arrives.

Umpire-in-chief: Table until Gehoski arrives.

Protest Committee Update: S. Warner announced there will be a meeting immediately following this meeting with Bruce Case.

New Business:

1. Jim Wallace reported trying to bring back the Border Battle to Midland. Tournament will be held July 26-28, 2019. The tournament will include women's, men's and coed teams competing from the United States and Canada. General admission will be free to public. The cost to bring the Border Battle here is \$40,000. Hanson made a motion to donate \$5000 towards expenses. Boulton seconded. Motion approved.
2. S. Warner apologized for not getting the board's approval before purchasing a new bat tester. The cost was \$896 and Gehoski has already given Hanson the money. S. Warner requested obtaining permission from the board for purchases through emails rather than having to wait until the next month's meeting. Enszer made a motion to allow the vote to go through email with half plus one of board's membership approving the purchase of \$1000 or less. S. Dunlap seconded the motion. Motion approved. An update of any purchases approved through email will be given at the next month's meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Gehoski announced the MSA has a balance of \$84,651.38 in actual cash.

1. All bills have been paid.
2. MSA lost \$18,812.37. The drop in numbers of teams and players and the loss in sponsoring tournaments has accounted for the reason for the loss. Hosting tournaments cost the MSA

\$4192 in 2018. Gehoski requested a different way of tracking money coming in separate from tournament income.

3. Gehoski is pursuing three non-sufficient funds issue. One has paid.

Enszer made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Currie seconded. Motion approved.

Umpire-in-chief: Gehoski reported that the umpire meetings are scheduled for February 6, March 6, and April 3, 2019.

Old Business:

1. McPeak submitted the minutes from the Grand Masters managers meeting held on December 17, 2018. Another meeting has been scheduled. An update will be given at the next meeting. McPeak hopes to bring an agreement to the board in March or April.
2. Gehoski spoke to Jim Fitrakis January 13, 2019 who reported that it costs up to \$1200 to sponsor a tournament. This involves the cost of field rental. Fast pitch and modified tournaments will be played in Midland in 2019.
3. S. Warner announced the City of Midland is raising the per player fee \$2. The City of Midland per player fee will now be \$29. Hanson made a motion to raise all MSA player fees from \$37 to \$40 for 2019. Currie seconded. Discussion. Motion approved with Gehoski voting no.
4. Manager's packets go out the beginning of February.
5. MSA annual meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at the Grace A. Dow Library at 7 p.m.

Adjournment: The meeting of the MSA adjourned at 6:15 pm. The next meeting will be Monday, February 11, 2019.

Jody L. Chichester, Secretary

