



MSA BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 11TH, 2021

- 1) President Warner called meeting on Zoom to order at 5:37 p.m. Present were McPeak, S Warner, Harper, Boulton, Enszer, Dunlap, Currie, Stewart, Grandi, Foote & Gehoski. Guest was Joe Ramos.
- 2) Public Comment: None. Waiting until the end.
- 3) Minutes were tabled as they are missing.
- 4) Treasurer's Report: High Yield \$44,352.60 and regular savings of \$6.83. \$9,730 in checking account. Jason just received the bill from the city.
 - Motion to accept by Boulton, seconded by Foote. All in favor. Minutes accepted.
- 5) UIC Update: After Thursday's board meeting there may more to report.
 - National Staff met on rule changes for next year.
 - Big rule changes were for the girls' fast pitch game.
 - Diabetic emergency/allowing to leave game without penalty.
 - Pitchers now have 5 seconds to release the ball instead of 10.
- 6) Protest Committee Update:
 - Need to do follow-up on ejected spectator (believed to be player Tiffany Dorman's husband, Ryan; who followed Umpire to his vehicle.)
- 7) Old Business: Bat testing program. Bat testing-takes a lot of time and effort to test bats throughout the season. Warner would like to contract bat testing out next year. By next month he would like to form a committee to brainstorm ways to get this done next year. Looking for good and honest people to pay for the service. A discussion was had on bat testing.
- 8) New Business:
 - a) Fall ball rainouts/refunds: Sunday and Monday nights had many rainouts throughout fall ball. Some leagues only played 5/10 games for the season. The set fees that the City takes is \$23. The player fee was \$30. We would lose money if we refund half to the player. A discussion was had about how and what to refund players. Harper made a motion to table until more information was gathered by Gehoski and Stewart. Grandi seconded. Warner created a fall ball refund committee of Gehoski, Stewart and Warner.
 - b) Softball Inventory: Warner talked to umpires about extra balls. We were able to get approximately 30-40 softballs recovered. A discussion was had on recovering softballs, asking the umpires for help, asking teams to get the balls they hit over the fence.
 - c) Jesse's workload: The City would like Jesse to devote less time to softball. He has many more obligations. Karen Murphy will talk about the fees that the City puts out for softball next month. Scheduling and rescheduling of games. Six things have to change when that happens. The City will be raising the fees \$2 more dollars next year.
 - d) Karen Murphy: Meeting in December to discuss fees/umpires/scheduling.
 - e) Warner brought up concerns about future Board composition and not having enough people for quorum or having too many people. Want to address this in the future.
 - f) Grandi made a statement about refunds and the idea of "insurance" for next year's season and refunds.
- 9) Additional Public Comment: Ramos: Safelight's softball team walking player 8 times in row. Competitive league... accused of not being a good sport. In regards to changing the walking rule in the Grandmaster league. Managers from that league and discuss and if they would like to like a rule change then it goes to Jesse and then to the MSA Board.
- 10) Next Meeting Date: (if needed) Monday, December 13, 5:30p.m. (Parks & Rec).
- 11) Adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Submitted by Steve Warner, MSA president