**Powhatan Fastpitch Softball**

**Monthly Board Meeting**

March 3, 2025 – 1830

* ***Call to Order:*** The monthly meeting was chaired by Jason Weaver, Member at Large
* ***Attendance:***
	+ Randy Snider- Commissioner
	+ Jessica Whitlock- Secretary
	+ Brett Paulin- 2nd Vice Commissioner
	+ Beverly Bailey- Umpire in Charge
	+ Chris Bryant- Debs Director
	+ Stevie Stout- Ponytails Director
	+ Katie Wall- Angels Director
	+ Keith Whitlock- Darlings Director
	+ Olivia Snider- Player Liaison
	+ Jason Weaver- Member at Large
* ***Opening Remarks-*** Review of February meeting minutes
* ***Review of meetings held***
	+ County meeting- no changes
	+ PLL
		- Reviewed PLL background policy and compared our policy to theirs; ours is more strict
		- Reviewed PLL lighting policy- there policy states hold games/practices for 30 minutes after lightning
		- Comparable sponsorships for low income families
	+ State meeting
		- There has been a change to the helmet rule for Dixie. See Dixie Softball League website for this rule change
		- Updated slaughter rule for Debs and Belles divisions
		- National vote on metal cleats- resulted is a “No” vote
		- 6 umpires are needed for the state tournament in Clarksville
		- 9 umpires needed for the state tournament in Halifax
		- Darlings/Ponytail Districts are 6/21 in Goochland
		- Belles/Angels Districts are 6/28 in Cumberland
		- State Tournament Bids- starting January 2026 the bidding process will be for the calendar year
		- Increase pay for umpires during tournaments
	+ District meeting
		- Cumberland is trying to get part of their district back that was given to PEFYA
		- Rule change for if you play school ball in a county, you can play rec in that county
		- Amelia will have Debs teams for our team to play
		- Amelia and Fluvanna have agreed that their Belles teams would be willing to play our Debs team
* **Registration review**
	+ 184 currently registered
	+ 29 new players to our organization
	+ Sweetees- 39 players; 4 teams
	+ Darlings- 50 players; 5 teams
	+ Angels- 36 players; 3 teams
	+ Ponytails- 27 players 3 teams
	+ Belles- 23 players; 2 teams
	+ Debs- 9 players; 1 team
* **Background Checks**
	+ Spreadsheet made for volunteers and who has/has not completed their background check
	+ Will distribute to the directors to make sure everyone in their division has a up to date background check on file
	+ All the original group to have background checks (most board members) will expire next year
	+ Anyone that is going to be in the dugout needs a background check
* Organization insurance expires this month; Jason working on getting the new policy
* All Teams will be franchised this month
* **Financials**
	+ 94K in the bank
	+ Discussed investing some money into a money market account
* **Concession Stand**
	+ Equipment has been ordered
	+ Per the county, it will be ready to use for opening ceremonies
* **Sponsorships**
	+ Would like to streamline the process
	+ PLL has a 4-page document that they send out to the companies with info about the organization and form to complete. They also have an online process to pay and get a receipt for their documentation
	+ Anyone who completes a sponsorship should get a receipt for their records
* **Spring Pictures**
	+ May 10 will be spring pictures with Fluvanna Photography
* **Opening Ceremonies**
	+ Same day as Powhatan Prom
* **Dick’s Sporting Goods coupon**
	+ There were only 16 redemptions
	+ Possibly do another coupon for the fall
* **Umpire Clinic**
	+ Umpire clinic will be help on 3/18
	+ Will need a field depending on the weather
	+ Katie to post on Facebook that umpires are wanted for the league and when the umpire clinic is
* **Directors**
	+ All jersey orders have been submitted except Brett, Tommy, and the Debs team
	+ First order of jerseys has been submitted, the second order to shortly follow
* **Website**
	+ Update the list of 2025 sponsors
	+ Remove companies that did not renew their sponsorship for 2025
* Katie to order new sponsorship banner for the concession stand with the 2025 sponsors
* **Open discussion**
	+ Possibly find a way to include the players jersey size and preferred number on the registration to help streamline ordering jerseys

*Meeting adjourned at 1911*

*Next Meeting will be 4/7/25 at 1830 at TBD*