

JWS Board Meeting

March 5, 2020

Minutes

Attendance: Denita Peterson, Breann Sells, Beverly LaGrange, Stephanie DeWitt, Sheri Dye, Cami Kay, Suzanne Nichols

February Minutes— Breann moved to approve as written, Sheri 2nd. Minutes were approved.

Committee Updates:

Teams - 10U – has 8 players, Preston Donaldson expressed interest in coaching but hasn't completed ACE. It was advised to give him til Monday to complete. No suggestion was given as to what will happen if completion isn't done by Monday. **12U** – has 14 players, Coach Johnson will be the head coach. Alex Alcaraz has been good at practice, want to give him another week before making a final decision on his coaching. **14U** – has 11 players, Cami Defrost is the head coach with Carrie Meyer as assistant.

Coach Sells has been approached by a parent (their player is friends with everyone on U14 but is U12 registered) requesting that their player be moved up. If that isn't possible, they wish to withdraw (player wasn't to be on team with her friends). The player has not played softball before but is athletic. Coach Sells made the case for the fact, moving the player up would more evenly balance the numbers on U12 & U14. After some discussion, the decision was made to allow the "move up" with the understanding that if needed the player would be required to play U12. Coach Sells will notify the involved players & coaches.

Coach Sells shared that she has been in contact with several individuals that intend on getting the ACE certification to help out / fill in if necessary. Jason Sells, Stephanie DeWitt and Brianna Breiner's step-dad are those that are interested.

Apparel 2020 Season – deadline for turn in is March 9th. Deadline is firm to allow for production in time of the beginning of the season. A reminder email will be sent.

The other fundraisers are set. Butterbraids will roll out on the 9th (players already have the information) and conclude on the 23rd. The deadline of the 23rd is firm, orders are due to company on the 24th. A reminder email will be sent. Beverly reported that Taco John's has reached out offering an additional date with them. Currently have 4/22. Denita will get flyer put into virtual backpacks.

Mt Mercy Clinics – the 3/7 session is canceled due to Mt. Mercy team traveling. Has been rescheduled for 3/14 (9 – 11am). Denita will send out a notice.

Indoor practices – still waiting on WHS to give times. Currently have Monday, March 9th and Fridays 5 – 7 pm. May be able to pick up the HS softball times on Friday and go until 9pm. U14 is going to practice on 3/12 (7:15 – 9pm). They are also going to practice 1x/wk with the U12 team- will allow for some game type situational instruction. U14 will practice a 2nd time each week on their own.

Tournaments – U12 & U14 have been registered for tournaments. U12 have 3 for the spring/summer. U14 have 2 tournaments – 4/17 in St. Louis & 5/3 in Waterloo. Cami reported that she has hotels at a reasonable rate identified.

Budget 2020 – Still have some fees outstanding along with Uniforms & player Packs. U10 team has not yet been registered with USA Softball – have been waiting on a head coach. The other team's USA Softball registrations have been updated. There are still scholarship forms outstanding.

JWS Night with the HS is set for 6/30.

New Business/Miscellaneous

14U season begins March 23rd. The Schedule is not yet out. Don't expect it until a week or so before.

Suzanne shared JWS has not been in compliance with several of its policies – the minutes (which is on her), coaching reimbursement, meetings, fee payment, etc. We need to work harder at staying in compliance. She asked for suggestions as to how to do that with fee payments specifically – “for this year specifically, if enforced – we wouldn't have had any teams”. The attempting to be accommodating has led to the problems of this year. Open ended questions were presented for thought - Where is the balance? What are there for suggestions?

Next Meeting is scheduled Wednesday, April 1st, 2020 @ 6pm TBA location