

JWS Board Meeting
June 3, 2021
Minutes

Attendance: Denita Peterson, Sheri Dye, Cami Kay, Emery Kay, Suzanne Nichols, Cassie Wickham

Sheri Dye made the motion to approve the **May Minutes**, Cassie Wickham 2nd the motion. Minutes were approved as presented.

Committee Reports

Budget – all outstanding balances have been collected and tournaments registered. The only additional expenses expected would be those associated with tryouts. Suzanne said she expected those to be the cost of yard sign updates, copies, etc. Even if we were to go over the budgeted amount. There is \$12K+ on deposit so we are financially sound. Sheri said there would be no charge for the sign updates – her donation to the program.

2022 Fees were presented again as \$225 for U10 & \$325 for U12 and U14. Questions were raised as to if that amount was sufficient to cover indoor practice expenses – may have access to district facilities as of June 7th but the district has not yet stated if they would be charging for usage. Suzanne said it would not be sufficient to fully cover indoor expenses. Discussion was given to the idea of increasing fees to fully cover indoor costs. Suzanne shared that the indoor expense is a big variable – if we can use the district facilities it would probably be less than DBats or PG (if we were charged at all). She suggests that we go with \$225 & \$325 and cover any shortage with fundraising (we were able to do so this past year, no reason to expect that couldn't be done again). If that proves to be incorrect, there is sufficient funds on deposit to carry through and fees can be increased in 2022. Those in attendance agreed to set fees as suggested. We will utilize separate registration forms for the different fee amounts.

Policy Changes – Suzanne shared that the current **Payment Policy** does not reference a specific date as to when payments are required but rather references payment in relationship to registration and 1st practice. She questioned if we wanted to change the policy or just disclose the due dates on the registration form. Decision was made to establish due dates on registration form. Suzanne also brought up the **Registration Policy** – questioned if more definition was needed in the policy. She shared a conflict that occurred this year where JWS considered a player “registered” but the family did not. Discussion resulted in the recommendation to create an “Acceptance Form” that parents would need to sign – form would ask for acknowledgement of policies & agreement to follow those policies. This would be collected at Orientation/Parent Meeting.

Recruiting Coaches – Denita stressed the importance of having coaches secured before tryouts. Suzanne shared that Quenten Thurmond (current U12 head coach) wants to move up to U14.

She didn't have any information about Ashley Albert continuing – getting mixed messages from her about Kaylin's participation. Questions were raised about parents stepping up – there are only 3 players from the U12 team that do not move up to U14 (not sure that they are the correct parents to coach). Some of the ideas for possible coaching sources are Mt. Mercy softball players, other Mt. Mercy students, HS softball players – with each suggestion there are obvious problems/difficulties. No one in attendance had a solid plan of attack. Need to further develop a prospect list.

New Business/Miscellaneous

Cami had the revised flyer – there was one suggestion/correction needed. We will not have the flyer approved for distribution in virtual backpack before the end of the school year; thus unable to distribute hard copies to 3rd, 4th & 5th graders as well. No discussion was given to what we were now going to do with the flyer. How are we going to use it?

Sheri Dye brought the yard sign updates – she demonstrated how to apply to yard sign. She kept 4 signs – 1 for her yard, 1 for the HS field, 2 to be given to Stephanie DeWitt. Remaining signs will be distributed to U12 players to put in their own yards & in the community.

Next Meeting scheduled **Wednesday, July 7th** @ 5:30PM TBA location.