

Spring Grove Baseball Association

January 28, 2025

6:00pm



Welcome: Meeting called to order at 6:01PM at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Attendees: Jon Kilmer, Jen Sipe, April Gruver, Damian Sipe, Mike Frey, Amber Roth, Mike Nicholas, Jenn Bankert, Tim Hunter, Amanda Rivera

Guests: Eric Tracy, Ashley Ort, Joe McLucas

President's Report, submitted by Jon Kilmer:

- December meeting minutes approved by all.
- Treasurer's Report approved by all.

Vice-President's Report, submitted by Mike Frey:

- QR Code generator costs are \$5/month or \$60/year. All approved.

Treasurer's Report, submitted by April Gruver:

January 2025	
Beginning Balance	\$46,964.20
Credits	\$17,972.62
Debits	\$486.27
Ending Balance	\$ 64,450.55

- Accident insurance is due in March
- Currently shopping around for liability insurance
- The church that we use for sub sale pickup will be holding a block party on Saturday June 14. Would SGBA be interested in selling hot dogs? We could also have a registration table setup at this event. Yes by all.
- DSG \$500 code sent to Tim to support equipment needs
- DSG event March 7-10. SGBA will setup a table and hand out coupons for this event.

Secretary's Report, submitted by Jennifer Sipe:

- Mike and Jon will need to call the bank to give the information required to be added to the account.
- Mike F to reach out to the scholarship fund about joining and will dig into the SGBA scholarship more.
- Links for the winter workout signup sheets will be sent to Jenn and Mike for emails to families.

Equipment Director, submitted by Tim Hunter:

- Tim is still evaluating the catcher's gear
- There is a need for baseballs, buckets, bags & pitchers pocket. Kris has contact for good pricing.

Technology Director, submitted by Michael Nicholas:

- Registration numbers are currently at 283 players signed up.
- Need to update headlines and articles on the website as well as updating pictures
- Looking to add the facebook feed on the website

League Liaison, submitted by Amanda Rivera:

- Meeting 1 – 12U 1/26/25 6p and 13-19 3/23/25 7p to discuss rule changes and clarifications and to hear important announcements
- Meeting 2 – 12U 3/23/25 6p and 13-19 4/13/25 6p. Organization waiver due with COI and fees (incl preseason tournaments). Verify all team information with the League scheduler.
- Discussed league fees and reminded that all fees are due at the March meeting.

- There are a lot of travel organizations in the league. The league does not plan to be easy on the travel teams and will try to keep them in the A divisions with few exceptions.
- Age exemptions are due by March 19
- Legion
 - Currently working on completing the required paperwork.
 - Players are required to pay an additional \$20 per player if they make the legion team to help cover costs.

Fundraising and Sponsorship Director, submitted by Amber Roth:

- No update for the Texas Roadhouse fundraiser night.
- Genovas fundraiser night is setup for March 11 – SGBA will receive 10%
- Will work on thank you letters for last year's golf sponsorships and send them out
- Mike F will work on a google sheet to help keep track of sponsors and contacts
- Planning a sub sale in May.

Player Agent/Player Development Director, submitted by Kris Phagan:

- Kris will order equipment as discussed and is approved by the board to spend \$8,000 on the quoted items.
- Jon K is currently working on the 8U teams and will have teams and head coaches to the board by next meeting.
- We need to schedule a coach's clinic – recommend using Trainer Mike for stretching, warmups, strength training
 - Need bands for all teams and will need to show coaches how to use them
 - Need to set all expectations at the clinic and in the binder
- Propose that Doug Arnold be chosen as coach for Legion team – all approved
 - Need to schedule tryouts at next meeting – end of March or 1st week of April

Communications Director, submitted by Jenn Bankert:

- Nothing to report

Fields and Grounds Director, submitted by Damian Sipe:


- Tractors will be serviced once the snow melts and the agreement is that we will only have to pay for parts (no labor). We will create a banner with their logo as a thank you.
- Spirit wear by Prestige is ready to launch – go live 1/31 – 3/1. Orders will be available the week of 3/17
- Getting new locks with new combinations for the Spring 2025 season.
- Working on the coach's binder
- All yard signs have been collected
- North Codorus – no play date during the Easter Egg hunt (on a weekend so little impact to Spring season)
- Waiting on permits/applications for Boro, River Rock and Farmer's fields.
- SG School – requested use of middle school field and small high school field.
- St Rose – budgeting \$10,000 - \$12,000 to fix up the field – ETA Summer 2025
 - Checking to see if St Rose will help with this project

Old Business:

- Opening day is planned for April 12 at the HS field.
 - Jon to reach out to the HS for use of the field
 - Plan for food trucks at 11am and the ceremony to start at 12p or 12:30pm
 - Suggestions to hold a homerun derby or longest throw contest
- Golf Tournament – no meeting needed at this time. Continue to ask for sponsors and gifts
- Concessions – we will continue to hold concessions at Jefferson and will begin to use Boro. We plan to have food trucks at North Codorus.

Announcements: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday February 25, 2025, at 6:00 PM at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Spring Grove (across from the paper mill).

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted, 
Jennifer Sipe, Secretary