

Spring Grove Baseball Association

July 23, 2024

7:00pm



Welcome: Meeting called to order at 7:03PM at the Jefferson Borough Building

Attendees: Jon Kilmer, Jen Sipe, April Gruver, Damian Sipe, Amanda Rivera, Blane Reichart, Amber Roth, Kris Phagan, Doug Arnold, Mike Frey

Guests: None

Vics-President's Report, submitted by Jon Kilmer:

- Josh Fishel submitted his resignation as President of SGBA to the board on July 20, 2024. Our plan is to leave this position open until the next election in November. All members of the board will absorb the responsibilities until a President is elected.

Treasurer's Report, submitted by April Gruver:

<i>July MTD 2024</i>	
<i>Beginning Balance</i>	\$47,654.55
<i>Credits</i>	\$ 5,163.23
<i>Debits</i>	\$ 13,034.05
<i>Ending Balance</i>	\$ 39,783.73

YORK COUNTY LEAGUE FEES

Division	Cost per team
8U (Progressive & Coach pitch)	\$75
10U (A & B)	\$180
12U (A & B)	\$180
14U (A & B)	\$210
16U (A & B)	\$210
16-19	\$210

- Diamond Tex for the new River Rock field is our biggest expense this season. 3 more loads are needed to prep the field for fall ball.
 - All field expenses are kept separate for review by anyone who wishes to see how much fields cost to upkeep.
- We will be removing the porto-potty from the middle school field and high school field.
- There is a new bank policy for nonprofit and business accounts – no more cash withdrawals. We must write a check or use the ATM.
- Uniforms and hats will plan to be distributed the week of August 26.
- Teams will need to be completed by August 1 for uniform orders and to submit to the league.
- Spirit wear will be opened again for the fall season.
- We will be requesting the coaches reuse shirts and hats from the spring, if possible.
- We will be canceling the QR Generator fee.
- Congratulations to Jack Reichart! He is the recipient of the SGBA annual scholarship of \$500.

Secretary's Report, submitted by Jennifer Sipe:

- Once registration is closed, Jen will be reviewing all registered volunteers for clearances.
- Once teams are made and head coaches assigned, all head coaches will receive a request for assistant coach information.

Equipment Director, submitted by Doug Arnold:

- Equipment turn-in for the Spring season is scheduled for Wed July 31 from 7:30pm – 8pm.
- Equipment hand-out for the fall season is scheduled for Wed August 7 from 7:30pm – 8pm.
- We need to order 3 8U size catcher's sets and game balls.
- Doug will reach out to Josh to get the key to the equipment room.

Technology Director, submitted by Michael Nicholas:

- Nothing to report

League Liaison, submitted by Blane Reichart & Amanda Rivera:

- Amanda will be addressing some of the issues we have had with the league this season as there were many changes/decisions made without the SGBA board knowing about it in advance.
- We need to communicate to our coaches that they need to reach out to the SGBA board and not directly to the league. Improvements will need to be made to coaches' guidance for next season including the coaches' binders.
- Fall ball age groups have been changed by the league to match the Spring age groups. A communication will be sent out to all SGBA families.
- Important Dates:
 - Registration for fall ball closes July 25
 - Teams need to be created by August 1 so that uniforms can be ordered
 - Teams must be submitted to the league by August 11
 - Fall Ball season starts September 7
- Blane is officially stepping down as League Liaison. Amanda will assume all duties.

Fundraising and Sponsorship Director, submitted by Amber Roth:

- Amber is planning a sub sale in September.
- Suggestion was made to research the Yeti bingo fundraiser. Damian has a contact.
- Suggestion was made to have a beer cooler raffle. Need to check if we need a tax ID for that one.
- Amber has an additional gift basket donation for the golf tournament this weekend.

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

- Teams will be finalized by August 1 as requested.
- There is a concern for the older age groups as we currently do not have enough players registered to create a full team.
- For all future seasons, the Player Agent must be added as part of team staff for access to stats and scores.
- A request was made by a parent to have their 7-year-old and 10-year-old on the same team this year. Once registration has been closed, we will look at this scenario and vote.

Communications Director, submitted by Mike Frey:

- Mike sent out an email to everyone who still had registrations in their carts.
- There was a request for a 3-year-old to be registered for teeball. The Board voted yes IF the parent is willing to coach.
- Mike will send the email to all parents about the age group changes from the league for fall ball.

Fields and Grounds Director, submitted by Damian Sipe:


- We need to develop a plan and budget for fields for next season as they are costly.
- Another full skid of lime has been donated to SGBA. Damian will distribute this to all fields.
- Please note that there is a long lead time for delivery of diamond tex. We should have a plan and order the diamond tex in January for delivery in the spring 2025.
- Damian asked Kate King about the status of the gym at the tech center. For now, our contact person is Bill Stiles but we may need a backup plan for a winter workouts location. Damian will check to see if Paradise township would be interested in building a pole barn by farmer's field.
- Damian will be meeting with St. Rose in August about use of the fields and the plan.
- The high school field is not available for use during the fall season.
- First aid kits will be collected and restocked for the fall season. Thank you, Lacy and Matt Warner!
- A tractor has been donated for use at North Codorus upper field.
- River Rock field
 - 5 loads of diamond tex have been delivered and spread. 3 more loads have been ordered to complete the field.
 - Requested that SG boro provide rakes and shovels for the field as well as a shed. SG Boro will discuss this at their August meeting.
 - SG Boro will provide a porto-potty.

Open Floor:

- Suggestion made to update the website. Update photos and remove old announcements.
 - Mike Frey to send email out to coaches to request photos from the Spring 2024 season.
- Jon makes a proposal to get Damian Sipe a \$100 gift card to C&D Bar and Grill for all his hard work with the fields and donations for SGBA. Board approved. Thank you, Damian!
- Doug is working on gathering players for a Legion team next season.
- Reminder: Golf Tournament fundraiser is on 7/27/24.
- Reminder: Rockets and Revs game is on 7/30/24.

Announcements: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday August 27, 2024, at 7:00 PM at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Spring Grove (across from the paper mill).

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, 
Jennifer Sipe, Secretary