

# **WYSO Annual Meeting of the Membership – 8/29/2021**

**1. Call to Order-** Otto called the meeting to order at 7:18pm

**2. Meeting Minutes Approval**

a. June 13, 2021-minutes approved by Otto

**3. Treasurer's Report**—Angela spoke about and broke down the printed report. She did suggest with the summer clinic that we plan better for the cost of the t-shirts. Concession stand-we had a lot of people pay the buy-out fee this year as well as more refunds given this year for the summer season. Profit for the concession stand was just under \$5,000 which is more than last year during COVID. Overall everything looks good considering we are still not back to “normal.”

**4. Public Input-** None

**5. Updates**

**a. Summer Sports Recap**

i. Baseball Recap

1. T-Ball / Coach Pitch- Corey said there were no concerns or issues and all went well.
2. AL / NL- all went well and the NL teams were the best in the league. Next year we anticipate that we will be back to normal and start in May.
3. Deppe Tournament Recap—Otto discussed that we had the biggest turnout and all went smooth. We did have to kick a team out due to changing players around. We did get a lot of compliments on our Umps. We may aim for a slightly smaller tournament with 6 teams instead of 8.
4. Teener- Kevin was not present, but per Ross the season went well. The team itself did not do well. Otto talked about strongly looking into the issue of not having a Pony Diamond (shorter base lines and pitching mound) as well as looking into getting into a new league/division with teams that are closer to our talent level. With us not having a Pony Diamond, the 13yr olds were forced to play

- 14U baseball and that was a challenge for the team and they did not win a game this year.
- ii. Summer Concessions/Volunteering Recap-it was a big struggle during the Deppe Tournament to get enough volunteers. Ideas to increase help during Deppe Tournament included:
- Utilize the National Honor Society with the high school where those students are required to do volunteer work and have them help that weekend. We could also think about giving a donation to whichever school club or group does help with volunteering as an incentive and thank you.
  - All directors can all take turns as well to help give Dawn and Elise a break.
  - Having another/separate opt-out fee specifically for the Deppe Tournament was an idea to help encourage people to actually help.
  - Maybe we require or at least ask parents from all sports do some shifts and not just baseball. We will talk more in detail about this over the off season.
- \*It was mentioned that whichever route we go, that we aim to have a director or a seasoned volunteer in the concession stand at all times or as much as possible for new people and a point of contact for help/questions. We could all rotate for the weekend.
- Corey mentioned that we now have an air conditioning unit to help with the heat.
- iii. Softball Recap-The new league in Fall River seemed to be a good fit for us and Krista does suggest that we stick with that league. One concern is that the league stops at 8<sup>th</sup> grade where in the Windmill League the age group went up to 16U which allowed more girls to be able to play in the off season. In the future we should continue to try to get the older girls to sign up by having 3 different registration options to break it up by grades instead of 16U, 14U, 12U etc. Krista does also suggest looking into different leagues as there are many, to be able to allow as many kids as possible to be able to play. This new league also is different in that they do not have an end of the year tournament. A recommendation was that we could on our own go sign up for a tournament at the end of the year.
- iv. Basketball Clinic /Open Gym Recap-Per Ross, Aaron says that it went well and we had about 30 kids. Looking to utilize the field house more.

## **b. Falls Sports Updates**

- i. Flag Football- Good numbers of kids for each level. We are just getting started.
- ii. Tackle Football-Jenny on behalf of Jeff says that we have about 50 kids this year. This is more than usual and we did have to buy helmets. All going well.
- iii. Volleyball-Volleyball just started and so far so good.

**c. WYSO Audit Recap**

- i. Next audit will be July, 2022—Angela noted that the audit went well and there were no discrepancies. No concerns or issues. Otto did say that he would like to do that yearly from now on.

**d. Fundraising Recaps/Updates-**Larry was not present. Otto spoke that for the future Larry would like to put together a committee with him as the head of it for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event. He will need to get a budget approved by the board above and beyond the sponsorships. The new treasurer will need to be involved with those conversations and at those meetings.

**e. School District Updates re: COVID-** We will be again following the policies of the school district for this year. If the school needs to shut down a specific grade, that WYSO would follow the same way. Otto explained that if anything changes with the school, that we would bend as well.

**6. New Business**

**a. WYSO Scholarship**

- i. Is there any interest in awarding an athletic scholarship to a graduating Waterloo Senior? This would be that we would agree on an amount to use towards a child that applies for the scholarship. There would be requirements would be that they were a WYSO participant, they were a good student, will be going to college, are they athletically accomplished,

etc. Otto will talk with Steve Battenberg to see if this is possible and how we would need to proceed. Angela pointed out that this money would need to come from a fundraising event of some sort. That we should not use the organization's money from registration fees or concession stand income as that would be out of order as an organization.

b. New state tax exempt number

- i. The state of Wisconsin decided to give every non-profit organization a new and very long tax exempt number. Any ID's on file with businesses will need to be updated for the state exempt number. We will need to update our form to take to businesses when making purchases.

- c. Active subscription ends 9/2022 – need a year notice to leave- we all agree that we need to look into another option that is more integrative.

**7. Open Director Positions – Voting-** Elections were opened listing all unopposed positions. They are President—Otto Degler, Treasurer—Christina Neumaier, AL/NL—Corey Powers, Boys Basketball—Lindsey Osburn, Girls Basketball—Roxy Stahnke, Co-Concession stand—Dawn Schoenwetter, Softball—Roxy Stahnke, Teener—Lindsey Osburn, Tournament Director—Otto Degler, Player Agent—Gabe Haberkorn, Umpire Director—Jeremy Dolfin.

After calling 3 times for other nominations for these positions, nominations for these positions were closed. Jenny spoke cast a unanimous ballot to elect all unopposed positions as stated previously, seconded by Laurie Freund. Motion passed with no opposition.

Election for Coach Pitch/T-ball Director had the following nominations—Gabe Haberkorn, Ricky Stewart, and Matthew Breselow. A ballot vote was held after 3 calls to the floor for additional nominations. The results elected Gabe Haberkorn to the Coach Pitch/T-ball director position. Josh Lauersdorf motioned to approve the ballot results, seconded by Corey Powers. Motion passed with no opposition.

**8. Announcements-** There is talk about Larry doing a Halloween Party. Otto specifically thanked all of the directors who are leaving for all of their dedication, help, and time.

**a. THANK YOU**

**9. Next Meeting: Board Meeting – 9/26/21 – Zoom**

**10. Adjournment**—Otto adjourned the meeting at 8:25pm.