

Vancouver Girls Softball Association

Board Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2024

Present: Rick Hansen, Ronda Swanson, Madonna Underland, Jami Towne, Gina Fifer, Tiffany Hansen, Wade Hansen, Mike Sturdevant, Mike Bourcier, Brandon Vick, Valerie Klingkammer, Brian Lew,

Call to order- 7:05

Approval of August 2024 Board Meeting Minutes. Brandon V. moved to approve minutes. Wade 2nd. Motion passed.

- President - Jamie Towne

- Fall Ball- Feedback from the first week of games was mostly positive. The Field Crew was great. Concessions went well. A few umpire issues and some scheduling issues. But going forward, many issues have been resolved. Suggestions are to change 10u to drop dead at 1 hour 30 minutes. We are not doing coach pitch for 10u. Umpire request is to officiate behind the pitcher's mound. 1 man umpire on all games.
- Fall Ball umpires- They would like to be paid for the 8:00 games. However, per contract it states that we need to notify them 72 hours in advance of schedule changes. This was done.
- Planning Session Agenda was handed out and reviewed.

- First VP – Brandon

- Nothing new contract related with the county. Still waiting on the county.
- It would be beneficial to show up to a PUD commissioners meeting.

- Second VP - Kamella

Board recommends talking with Kamella per her absences for extended periods of time and no updates. Kamella will not seek re-election.

- Treasurer - Gina

- Financial report- Checking account balance- \$19999.63 Money Market acct balance- \$34,167.58
- Scheduling issues with trying to change banks.
- No update on paying field crew L&I

- Secretary - Madonna

- We do have Skyview JV field to use until October 15.
- October 8 will be the election for President, 2nd Vice President and Treasurer. Already sent an email out to general membership for nominations.

- Equipment & Tournament – Rick

- 2025 tournaments
 - June 7 and 8- USSSA softball tournament
 - July 11-13- 12u state tournament
 - Possible 14u state June 27, 28, 29
 - We have 4 weekends in May with no tournaments scheduled as of yet
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- League Coordinators:
 - T-Ball - 8U - Valerie - nothing at this time
 - 10U -Ronda- nothing at this time
 - 12 & 14 U- position vacant-
 - Discussion was had on the need to build the rec side of softball back up. We will table this discussion until the planning session.
 - Concessions-
 - tried new items with Tomato soup and Teriyaki chicken and rice. They both went over well. Fall weekends are scheduled. We made \$1744 on the first Sunday of games.
 - Looking to upgrade equipment through donations.
 - Fields- Brian
 - Need to clean up sheds a bit
 - Need chalk.
 - Field 5 shed was left open.
 - Some maintenance things that need to be done. Will discuss at the planning session.
 - High lift scheduled for Sept 27, 28, 29.
 - For the good of the order

Next Board Meeting October 8- 7:00 pm

Planning session- October 16. 6:30 p.m

- Planning meeting agenda- October 8 and 15th
 - VGSA statement
 - Constitution
 - Mission value
 - Tournaments
 - Registration feed
 - League game schedule
 - Advertising opportunities? Need to boost numbers of registration
 - Pay for Field crew and concessions

- League game scheduling. Back to one person. Communication was not good this past year.
- Fee structure for tournaments USA VS Non-USA
- Facility daily rate VS per hour/game
- Established a relationship with Chamber of commerce
- Tarps for fields
- Capital Fundraiser ideas
- Reestablish and create outreach for parent support

Wade moved to adjourn the meeting. Gina 2nd. Meeting adjourned 8:27