

EVAA Traveling Baseball Board
December 13, 2010
Meeting Minutes

Present: Dean Stockwell, Amy Conway, Mike Casey, Chris Selchow, Jan Birkenholz, John Hartig, Lori Zurich, Eric Wilson, Sherrie Engst, Vince Terlizzi, Chris Tollefson, David Yung, Chris Hovde

Not present: Jeff Boraas, Tim Brunner, Chad Lindstrom, Tom Strey, Jill Peterson

Meeting called to order at 6:34 p.m.

November 8, 2010, meeting minutes approved.

Budget: Annual budget; some expenses will hit this year. The budget will be presented at next week's EVAA Board meeting. Of interest:

- 2010 Rosemount Dome Clinic revenue \$29,600 actual with 155 registrants (versus 208 last year). For 2011 budget, we estimated 175 registrants.
- Concessions: netted approx \$10,000, similar to 2009 net income. 2009 and 2010 net income is larger than previous years, due to the soccer tournaments occurring on the same weekends.

EVAA Big Board likes to see a reserve of approximately 10% of our annual budget; our 2011 budget estimate meets this reserve requirement. Draft Budget was approved for presentation to the EVAA Board.

Concessions: No update.

Coach Selection: Dean will post the application online and send out an email notification. Applications will now be due on January 5, 2010, to allow for additional time for people to apply. David will send out the updated policy to the Board members.

Tryouts: Tim Brunner will meet with Jeff Buck for a formal hand-off.

Clinic/Cooperstown: Currently have 155 registrants. Mike noted that the clinic is running smoothly. The last sessions are for tryout preparation: Tentatively three tryout sessions for 8-11s and two tryout sessions for 12-15s.

Due to the lower number of registrants this year, each entity (Board, Thunder, and the Cooperstown group) are receiving lower revenues. As a result, the Cooperstown group is looking for ways to supplement their revenue. This parent group proposed to offer the last 3-4 Dome sessions for tryout prep only for an additional cost to non-clinic registrants. Dean will discuss some options with the Cooperstown group and will coordinate an email vote with the Board.

Vince also offered to see if Combat would be willing to provide some stipend/financial support for Cooperstown teams.

Logo Wear/Uniforms: Chris and Sherrie developed and will send a questionnaire to at least three vendors.

Equipment: Last summer, we loaned our equipment (e.g., pitching mounds, grills) to other associations for their tournaments. Chris's recommendation:

\$100/tournament for golf cart

\$50/tournament for each grill (without gas tanks) with a \$50 deposit per grill (deposit is returned if grill is clean and in good working order)

\$10/tournament per field for field boxes

\$50/tournament per portable pitching mound

Dean will type up this recommendation and send it to the appropriate cities.

We received our final 2010 invoice from the City of Apple Valley. The City charged us \$3,680 for field rental. In addition, the City charged our program for quick dry (38 bags X \$15/bag = \$368) and for chalk 46 bags X \$8/bag = \$368) that was used for baseball, softball, and soccer. Dean will bring this up at the next EVAA Board meeting.

Handbook: Dean reviewed the handbook edits and asked each Board member to review them and provide edits to Dean by the end of this year.

Umpires: No update.

League Scheduling/Fields: No update.

State Tournament: No update.

Registration: Price will remain the same. John and Dean will work with the website contacts to open up registration in January.

EVAA Board Meeting Review:

- In-house baseball has two new coordinators.
- In spring 2011, the middle schools will no longer be offering baseball & softball and Middle School Baseball and Softball will incorporate this spring into their respective community programs. A meeting is anticipated to be scheduled in January to discuss this transition.

Bylaw Amendments: The Board approved the amended bylaws.

Tournament Sign-ups: Age Group Coordinators will register early for two tournaments for the AAA and first AA teams and for four tournaments for the second AA and A teams. Sherrie will send out last year's tournament spreadsheet to the Age Group Coordinators to assist with tournament selection and Coordinators will also solicit input on desirable/preferential tournaments to register for from historical coaches.

Victory Circle: For \$300, we will purchase a Victory Circle paver to support the EVHS football program.