

RRGSA Board Meeting Minutes

Location: 9ers BBQ

Date: 1/7/26

Time: 6:00pm

Facilitator: Amanda Steele

Call to order: James @ 6:07pm

Attendees: Laura, James, Jennifer, Amanda S, Adam, Debra, Michelle, Kelsey, Paul, Andrew, Gilbert, Dennis, Hannah, Amanda F, Alex, Richard, Fletcher, Matt, Cassie.

Topics of discussion:

Open meeting:

- N/A

Closed Meeting:

- Treasurer's Report - \$131,227.56 - approx \$678 outstanding checks. Access to a new account -will need to transfer balance.
- Field Maintenance Report - Field drag needs to go in for maintenance. Utilize LLL equipment if needed. Potential rain on Friday - move evals to the football field if needed.
- Projects update - Lights delayed due to loan funding; city needs to sign the waiver for the lease agreement pending legal review. Approx \$9k for electrical to have lights wired. Cameras approx \$7200 - pending electrical on all 5 fields to be done after lights are installed. Scoreboards tabled - cost of electrical too high to have board rewired; will need additional quotes. Turf is being donated, and could be used for the pitching mounds. Bricking pitching mounds need to be done; outsource vs field maintenance. The window needs to be replaced on the concession stand; WinterBall 2024 funded by donation.
- Registered players 350 (registered + waitlist) zero walkups available unless we can find a way to accommodate additional players. Practice slots available potentially 26 teams. Option 1 adds practices on Sunday ; option 2 decreases practice times to 1 hours (encourage warm ups off field) - increase practice slots to 36. With potential tournaments and select practices on Sundays ; preference for decreasing practice time. Stretch Saturdays to additional games ; last game @ 300pm ; Weds Select practice slots are full. Cages first come first serve. Board in agreement to change practices to 1 hour to accommodate more teams. Encourage coaches to warm up off field prior to practice time.
 - Tball 4 teams (7 players per team)
 - 6u 7 teams (12 players per team) could add 2 more teams
 - 8u 7 teams (12 players per team) could add 2 more teams
 - 10u 9 teams (11 players per team) could add 2 more teams
 - 12/14u 6 teams (11 players per team) could add 1 more team.
 - Will need to recruit additional coaches if we have walkups at evaluations.
 - ALL CAPS UPDATED to accommodate walk ups - need another mascot if we go over 10 teams. Frenzel to brainstorm.
- Head Coach Selection

- 6u : Andres (A - Wes) , Shaun (A - Chris) , Jacob, Adam - need to confirm 3 additional Head Coaches.
- 8u: Alan, Brandon, Louis (A - Troy) , Matt, Paul (A - Jose), Richard - need to confirm 1 additional Head Coach.
- 10u : Brett (A - Mandy S), Frank Chapa (A - Billy), Ivan, Kevin, Frank Cason (A -Richard) , Micah (A - Mandy T), Jay, Gilbert (A- Steve) - need to confirm 1 additional Head Coach.
- 12/14u : Robert, Brett, Gerson, Jonathan, - need 2 additional Head Coaches.
- Coach Meeting - notify coaches of practice change. Will need buckets of balls.
- Evaluations - sprinkler drill, fly ball (3 balls) , batting (5 pitches ; 2 tee).
Concession will be open. Need help from assistant coaches to run evals.
 - 9:00am - 6u & 8u
 - 11:00am - pitcher/catcher
 - 12:00pm - 10u & 12/14u
- Draft - as scheduled
- Pool Player rule clarification - any use of an unapproved player that has not been approved by the player agent or division rep will result in forfeit. Rule modification has passed by majority vote. Rule updated and posted to RRGSA website. Coaches will be notified of change at the coaches meeting.
- Parent meeting- will not take place in the spring; try to schedule for the fall.
- Grants - Grants available for infrastructure ; grants available for registration fees for families unable to afford. Alex looking into available grants
- Field Work Day projects January 31 - supply list in process; project list in process.
- Girl Scout Cookie Booth 2/21 & 2/28
- Bingo Spring Fundraiser - collecting game prizes and raffle prizes ; Home Run Derby prior to bingo. Presale cards & food. Raffle baskets will be required for each team to be set up on opening day.
- Alliance Fastpitch is interested in creating a league organization with the top leagues in the Houston area to play the top leagues. RRGSA to be a part of the founding leagues. Fletcher to share a powerpoint presentation from Alliance.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Select Tournaments @ RRGSA
 - Feb 7-8 (PW)
 - Mar 14-15 (USFA)
 - Mar 21 (PW)
 - May 1-3 (USFA)
 - Jun 13-14 (PW)
 - Jun 19-21 (USFA)
 - Spring 2026:
 - Coaches meeting Jan 8
 - Evaluations Jan 10
 - Draft Jan 11
 - Practice Starts Jan 12
 - Field Work Day Jan 31

- Spring Fundraiser - Bingo/HomeRun Derby - Feb 1
- Opening Day Feb 14
- Spring Break Mar 9-13 (no games, no practices)
- Allstar nominations due Mar 20
- Allstar tryouts Mar 27
- Allstar Draft Mar 29
- Easter Weekend Apr 4 (no games)
- End of Season Tournament Apr 23-25
- State Tournaments
 - 6u Jun 5-7 @ RRGSA D43 (rain out reschedule 6/26-28)
 - 8u Jun 12-14 @ The Woodlands D14
 - 10u Jun 5-7 @ Beaumont D39
 - 12u Jun 5-7 @ Lake Jackson
 - 14u Jun 5-7 @ Galveston D38

Adjourned by: James @ 8:11pm

Next Meeting Topics: Opening Day

Time: 6:00pm

Date: 2/4/2025

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