

RRGSA Board Meeting Minutes

Location: 9ers BBQ

Date: 4/1/26

Time: 6:00pm

Facilitator: Amanda Steele

Call to order: James @ 6:15

Attendees: Laura, Jennifer, James, Amanda S, Cassie, Michelle, Debra, Dennis, Gilbert, Amanda F, Fletcher, Hannah, Kelsey

Topics of discussion:

Open meeting:

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Closed Meeting:

- Treasurer's Report - current balance: \$101307– loan balance for field 5 lights: \$135000 -- approx \$13k expenses pending (insurance, utilities, Rodney, etc)
- Field Maintenance Report - sprinklers were not properly turned off. Irrigation on field 5 needed in the future. Continue maintenance through the off season. Tournament feedback - Rodney is not keeping up with all that needs to be done. Needs to turnover complex at night during tournaments for a fresh start the next day, not doing the trash, not always onsite when he's needed. Fees too high for the quality of work were getting. Consider new options for field crew during tournaments.
- Projects update - Updates provided by Hannah –
 - pending quotes for field 6 that will include dirt vs turf, grass & fencing –
 - concession stand window quotes - \$3300 for materials and labor or DIY for approx \$3k – due to close pricing, prefer to have work done by professionals.
 - pitching/batting cages between field 3 & 4 looking into quotes to have the current pitching lanes enclosed with netting.
 - Cameras have been purchased.
 - Plumbing issues - need to renew city contract ; city will not maintain because we are currently not under contract. Need to address leaks in the restroom.
- Allstars Takeaways - 10u tryouts feedback - evals too long. Pitchers/Catchers were worn out from being there for 3 hours. Recommend assigning a 15 min time slot per team and tell parents to arrive 30 mins before their scheduled start time in case we are ahead of schedule. AS HC needs help with registering their teams and signing up for tournaments – Hannah to put together a how to create a team and sign up for tournaments, will work with Jennifer Torres (D43) and Player Agent to set up a coaches meeting. Ensure coaches communicate nominations to players – options to have HC provide parents QR code for Commitment Letter to ensure they have the conversation. Provide more information regarding upfront costs prior to tryouts – share financial commitment (registration fee, sponsorship and fundraising) in the commitment letter. Recognize all stars at Fall Opening Day instead of waiting for Spring.

- End of Season Tournament - Andrew to create brackets, trophies are done, rings are done, medals are done, game balls are done. All hands on deck. Division reps present for championship game to give out rings. All star teams will be fundraising at EOS. All hands on deck – Board Members communicate availability throughout the tournament to plan duties accordingly.
- Concessions - Michelle willing to stay on part time, may have candidates interested in also working part time. Review and update bylaws for cash handling. Profit margins low, looking to increase prices on select products during tournaments.
- Fall 2026 Dates - All dates pending review from Andrew
 - Registration Opens Jun 15
 - Registration Closes Jul 27
 - Evaluations August 1
 - Draft August 2
 - Practice Starts August 3
 - Field Work Day Aug 22
 - Opening Day Aug 29
 - Labor Day Weekend (no games) Sept 5
 - Select Tournament (no games) Sept 12-13
 - Select Tournament (no games) Sept 26-27
 - EOS Tournament Oct 22-24
- City Updates - City Survey results inform the master plan of where to spend their money at public parks. City Workshop on 4/2 - will discuss softball and other topics. Following the workshop, closed door discussions before final decisions are made. George Park city contracts will be standardized. Investors spoke with local foundations, potential opportunities for grants to match the investment. Only league utilizing GP hosting select tournaments bringing in out of towners. Goal: no tax payer money, no bond, fully paid by Hot Funds, investor or grants. Loan payment recommendation –After fall registration closes - make large accelerated payment on lights 50-75k - Option for more income – charge coaches discounted field rental fee for utilizing RRGSA fields for additional practices. Jessica Tanner - Host a mandatory Coach Clinic - focus on 8u & 10u all star coaches prior to first all star practice.
- Corporate Sponsors - Looking into tiered Corporate Sponsorships – 10k Score board sponsor; 2 year renewal; \$5k – Mesh shade on dugouts - \$3k - \$2k - \$1k - \$750 camera sponsor.
- Vendor Agreement - create levels for vendor agreement, create a committee to review vendor requests. Set vendor dates during the season. Higher rate for bigger event days (Opening Day). Draft in the works to be reviewed.
- Scholarship Committee - Cassie, Amanda F, Adam, Amanda S, Michelle - review current Scholarship application. Laura to determine value for scholarships. Goal to have applications updated with a deadline to submit at the end of May.
- Social Media posts: Start posting Fall registration. Push UH ticket sales. Open meeting to discuss available board positions May 6.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Select Tournaments @ RRGSA

- May 1-3 (USFA)
- May 9-10 (USFA)
- Jun 13-14 (PW)
- Jun 19-21 (USFA)
- Sept 12-13 (Next Gen)
- Sept 26-27 (Next Gen)
- Nov 14-15 (Next Gen)
- Spring 2026:
 - Easter Weekend Apr 4 (no games)
 - UH Softball Game Apr 19
 - End of Season Tournament Apr 23-25
 - Board Elections - Open Discussion May 6
 - Board Elections - Vote June 3
 - State Tournaments
 - 6u Jun 5-7 @ RRGSA D43 (rain out reschedule 6/26-28)
 - 8u Jun 19-21 @ The Woodlands D14
 - 10u Jun 12-14 @ Beaumont D39
 - 12u Jun 5-7 @ Lake Jackson
 - 14u Jun 12-14 @ Galveston D38

Adjourned by: James @ 757pm

Next Meeting Topics: Board Elections, Concession Cost Analysis, Scholarship, Corporate Sponsorship, Vendor Agreement

Time: 6:00pm

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