



Board Meeting Minutes
November 24, 2008
Best Western Soldiers Field
Alpine Room

Meeting called to order by President Nelson @ 6:35 p.m.

Present: Bob Rosenblad, Steve Nelson, Mike Macken, Mark Hindal, Pat Schmitt, Kay Tracy, Craig Aldrich, Nicole Vadnais, Jerry Boland, Michelle Hickey, Don Jochum, Dennis Karp, Larry Nierman, Becky Macken, Jodi Armstrong.

Excused: Mark Kuisle, Steve Lewison,

Minutes from October 12, 2008 – approved unanimously.
Treasurers Report: \$64, 799.99 cash & Ameriprise - approved unanimously.

The board welcomed new and returning board members.

Complex:

- Irrigation is done. Path is completed.
- Water heads behind home plate (additional \$200/field) for watering was approved with one abstention.

Fundraising/Advertising:

- Bob R. will organize committee before/around holidays.
- Registration fundraising (coupons) is a go. The rumor that RYBA was not going to partner with us inaccurate. They just want to make sure their contract with the sponsors include the RYFSA. There was a brief discussion about online versus having a registration night.
- Merchandise: There was a brief discussion about what and how much we should start with. Kay will come back to the board with a "merchandise plan." Becky will assist with the website details regarding sales.

Scoreboards: tabled until Mark Kuisle can attend

Committee Assignments: see handout

Winter Activities:

- T-Ball Camp: **Jan 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13.** Time/Location: **6-7:30p @ UCR Field House.** Please be ready to volunteer for 2 sessions.
- Winona State Camp. Jan 24 2-5 p.m. UCR Field House

Jennie Finch: Jan 26, 2008 – Becky will poll board for tickets.

Winona 10U league: We are interested. Craig & Larry will find out more details and report back to the board.

Umpires Gear: Nicole gave presentation about uniform purchase for younger umpires who cannot afford gear. A grassroots program will be developed. Also, January 25, 2009 9a-2p, Tim Luther, MN Co-JO UIC will hold an umpire clinic for RYFSA umpires only. If there are less than 12 umpires attending, we will cancel.

Steve will contact board members regarding a casual meeting to discuss recommendations for tournament dollars to teams & league structure. Other 2009 items will be discussed and reported to the board.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Macken
RYFSA Secretary