

REVISED RYFSA Board Meeting  
Minutes from 3/25/07

**Present:** Jerry Boland, Steve Lewison, Mike Macken, Steve Nelson, Maureen Kelly, Becky Macken, Michelle Laughlin, Pat Schmidt, Nicole Vadnais, Kay Tracy, Mark Amundson, , Mark Kuisle, Jill Boldt, Bob Rosenblad, Don Jochum

**Absent:** Chris Ketch, Shanda Voeltz, Mark Laffrenzen, Ernie Frie,

1. **Minutes:** The minutes from 2/18/07 were reviewed. No changes were made.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Becky Macken reviewed the treasurer's report and the financial details of the RiverFalls Softball Clinic. The board approved the report.
3. **Fundraising:** Bob Rosenblad reported that we currently have 20 sponsors and we are still looking for 19 additional sponsors.  
**Action:** The board asked Bob Rosenblad to compile an updated list of the current sponsors for review at the April meeting.
4. **Clinics:** Becky Macken mentioned that Jean Musgjerd is interested in hosting a clinic mid May. They are still working out the details.

*Coaches Clinic* – will be split into two separate dates. They are as follows:

*April 15<sup>th</sup>, Best Western Soldiers Field 6:30pm -8pm*

Paperwork, Umpires, Handout Books

*April 18<sup>th</sup>, Holy Spirit Fields 5:30 – 7pm*

Outdoor Clinic, Pitching (Jill Boldt), Catching (Nicole Vadnais), Fielding (Mike & Becky Macken) etc.

**Action:** Jerry will send out an outline for each of the clinics.

**Action:** Jill Boldt will order 24 of the “Coaching Youth Softball” books for the Coaches Clinic.

5. **Tournament Update:** Becky Macken reported the number of teams signed up for the Star of the North (SOTN), and the Mother May I (MMI) tournaments. They are as follows:  
**SOTN** – 3 Teams; **MMI** – 0 teams

6. **Media:** Becky asked that the board send vendor names used by RYFSA to either Becky or Steve so that they can be recognized on the website.

A suggestion was made to market the 10U's differently next year to attract younger interest. IE “Up to 10” or “6-10”

7. **Pitching & Catching Clinics:** Mark Kuisle reported that the clinics are full at RCTC and are going well  
**Action:** Becky will send out another email reminder prior to clinic.

**8. Equipment Needs:** Steve Lewison gave an update on the equipment. The board granted permission to purchase 20 equipment bags.

**Action: Steve Lewison will purchase 20 equipment bags**

Steve reviewed the storage facility status. RYFSA will be paid through April and Bob Rosenblad and Steve will review storage alternatives.

**9. Umpire Update:** Scott Anderson is the new MN UIC. Once the umpire clinics are finished, Nicole will have a better idea of the umpire resource pool. Nicole also reviewed the current rate structure for Umpires and proposed a new rate structure which the board approved. The new rate structure is as follows:

**One Umpire:**

14U - \$55/night

16U - \$65/night

18U - \$65/night

**10. Age Group Coordinators:** The numbers are not finalized for registration however approximately 150 – U10s and 254 – U12 to U18s have already been registered as of 3/25/07.

The Board also reviewed the field requirements for this upcoming year. Currently, RYFSA has 8 fields.

**11. Team Formations:** The Board reviewed the team formations.

**12. Other Business:**

- RiverFalls will be given the link to the RYFSA website as a contact for next year.
- The board discussed that they would not allow or sign waivers for players from Rochester to play in other communities. **Action: Jerry Boland will contact Val P. from the Southern Minny to inquire about specific guidelines.**
- The board recognized and welcomed Don Jochum as the new 10U Coordinator.

**13. Next Meeting Dates:**

- **April 15<sup>th</sup>,**  
**Board Meeting, 5:00-6:00pm @ Best Western, Soldiers Field**  
**Coaches Clinic, 6:30-8:00pm @ Best Western, Soldiers Field**
- **April 18<sup>th</sup>, Outdoor Coaches Clinic, 5:30-7:00pm @ Holy Spirit Fields**
- **April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Umpires Meeting, 3pm @ Best Western, Soldiers Field**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jill Boldt