

Mount Horeb Softball Club Meeting

Meeting Time/Location:

Date: Monday, February 21, 2022 / 7:00 PM

Location: Walk-On Bar and Grill – upstairs

Attendees: Christine Swiggum, Eric Swiggum, Syd Swiggum, Jeff Mester, Nicole Imbus, Phil Geisler, Jeff Imbus, Kris Aeschlimann, Ryan Clifton, Adam Melka, Morgan Brummer, Stephanie Christensen, Steve Kellesvig, Jeff Watson, and Kurt Adler

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM

Meeting Agenda:

1. Minutes from last meeting (posted) approved as posted
2. Treasurer Report – Nicole Imbus Ending balance: \$23,185.93, approved. (registrations are continue to come in, 48 players registered currently. Several corporate donations received, super bowl raffle funds deposited and winners paid, pull-overs paid for by the Club for the high school players.
3. Student Liaison Report – Sydnee, Morgan, Lucy (absent):
 - a. High school season planning Morgan noted that strength training is continuing at the high school and work at Beast Training facility in Middleton. Wind breakers were ordered (and arrived). Syd discussed progress for Cause Event evening (Kolleen approved event, notified players of shirt color requirements if worn during the game, and approved 50/50 raffle). Apparel store (in coordination with Marah) coming soon. Kurt noted Class B raffle license has been renewed and he will supply to Christine. Photos at ProProductions is scheduled for March 17. Youth night is scheduled for April 26th.
 - b. Sponsors for team posters from Kurt/Kate Kurt reminder players and senior parents to make sure they have the latest sponsors and logos from Kurt and Kate in order to fulfill our commitment to the corporate sponsors. Kurt to provide information to Christine on past poster ordering details.
 - c. Super Bowl Raffle Super bowl raffle went very well and proceeds paid for ~70% of the high school pull over expense
4. Coach Liaison Report – Jeramie Holman (absent): Eric reported that 21 high school players had signed up. Practice starts on March 14 and first game is on March 26.
5. Committee Reports:
 - a. Youth Program – Jeff Mester / Mandy McWilliams (absent): Jeff stated 48 players have registered for summer ball. Jeff working to get the tournament players to register for summer (league) ball as these are two separate activities. On 3/1 an in person meeting for new players and parents will be occurring at MS step room. It was decided to invite players to allow them the opportunity to try on sample jerseys from Mark-It. On 3/8 a zoom meeting will occur for parents/players who have played with the Club previously. Evaluations for non-registered players will occur on 3/13. Jeff felt two evaluators would be enough and he is working to secure them. Registration closes on 3/12. Fields have been reserved from June through August and Jeff is working with Kolleen on reserving fields on evenings after high school practices end. Jeff will be offering one or two coaching clinics at outside high school softball practice(s). In addition, Jeff is hoping to offer a coaches strategy meeting to give insight to new coaches on some basic and more advanced game situations.
 - i. What is needed to be ready for parent meeting, evaluations, etc.? Jeff has agenda ready and meeting locations reserved.
 - ii. 12U Waunakee league Jeff reported that a new league may be forming to offer a higher level of competition for summer ball than what is offered by the South Central League. The league would potentially consist of 9 teams. More details to follow.
 - b. 2022 Tournament Teams – Jeff Mester Numerous pitchers are practicing at Magnuson's and all six tournament teams are practicing at the ELC.

- c. Equipment – Ryan Clifton
 - i. 2022 purchase status Two batting tees have arrived. Waiting on game balls and catchers gear. Discussed options for alternate locations to purchase game balls if Badger Sporting Goods is unable to get any in stock (COVID related delays). Ryan to coordinate with Andy first and work with Kurt on alternate solutions if required.
 - d. Troll Tourney 22 (June 25-26, 2022) – Kristin Casey (absent) / Kris Aeschlimann Kris stated that the mound at the second field at Sunrise will be removed which will allow all games to take place at the high school and Sunrise fields. Sponsorship will be kept simple with Norsk Golf Bowl already donating \$500 toward the event. Volunteer schedules, concessions, and all other details are coming together nicely. Marah will help with an apparel order just ahead of the tournament.
 - e. Umpire Coordinator – Jeff Imbus Jeff to talk with Amy Kellesvig from Baseball and get insight from Kent Arneson.
 - f. Field Coordinator – Eric Swiggum all is quiet at this time
 - g. Apparel Coordinator – Marah Odgers absent – Marah is working with high school players to develop spring apparel store
 - h. Concession Coordinator – Brie Peterson absent. Kurt to meet with Brie at high school concession stand in next week or two
 - i. Field Improvements – Kurt Adler
 - i. Dugouts – Briggs (steel work) no schedule set yet
 - ii. Fencing – Jim Ramos reaching out to Jim to determine a schedule for this work
 - j. Other Committee Reports? N/A
6. Old Business – Updates
- a. Calendar Raffle update – tickets ordered Kurt stated tickets will be ready for pickup at end of week.
 - b. Field Lighting – PARKS, RECREATION, AND FORESTRY COMMISSION meeting 1/25/22 Kurt stated we are waiting on a meeting to be set with the Recreation Board and the School District to further discussions
 - c. Football concession stand payment still outstanding at this point
7. New Business
- a. Brian Shepard – Beast Baseball/Softball – Middleton Eric stated the facility opened on Feb 1st, and Brian is the father of Camden Shepard who was the starting short stop and a Senior on last year’s high school team. Eric stated that Brian possesses a “ton” on knowledge and is a strong supporter of Mt. Horeb Softball
 - b. Corporate sponsorship donations (since last meeting): names read by Kurt
 - i. Bernatello’s Foods – reduced pizza purchases, pizza oven and warmers - \$750+
 - ii. Gerber Leisure Products - \$200
 - iii. Gunderson Funeral & Cremation Care- \$200
 - iv. Mt. Horeb Knights of Columbus - \$250
 - v. Ostrander Masonry - \$200
8. Next meeting: Set for March 14, 7PM at Culvers
9. Adjourn Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM

Respectfully submitted by Kurt Adler