



**Elk Grove Girls Softball Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 2019**  
**8:00 p.m. Hattendorf**

**Attendees (Board): Chad, Millie, Nick, RJ, Matt, Scott, Jamie, Jackie, Michelle**

**Attendees (Other): Berenice, Tim Burns, Brian O'Malley**

**Agenda:**

- Call to Order – RJ
- Approval of Last Meeting Minutes – RJ
  - Approved
- Presidents Report
- Treasurer's Report
  - Expense Approval
    - Line item for \$20, spirit wear unfulfilled – need confirmation from PD on that
    - Motion approved
- Park District Updates
  - Umpire Rates
    - Ponytail, down to 1 umpire which would be a more experienced ump, \$50/ump, need to have two during play-offs and allstar
    - Sophomore / Junior – 2 umps per game - \$40/ump for Soph, \$50/ump for Jr
    - Projected season total is \$1500 under budget
    - Motion to approve rates – approved
  - Operational guidelines, board needs to review / update their operational guidelines to ensure they're still valid (Jamie & RJ)
    - Do we need to sign waivers for batting cages or external activities – is there language or anything that we need to communicate to the coaches
  - Capital Projects – Deadline is September
    - We want batting cages
- Concession Plan for 2019 season
  - Internal or Outsource Vote
    - Open question on putting a vending machine at CAF
    - Main reason for outsourcing is manpower
      - We can either hire or offer service hours for high school kids
    - Can we do the same as football next year where we charge a volunteer fee which gets kicked back once the family volunteers (\$25)
    - Idea to pick a Saturday and have an approved vendor come out so we can compare - Brian will check if he can share the contracts with existing vendors
    - **Move to keep it in house – approved**
  - Menu (Due Thur, April 18<sup>th</sup>)
    - Berenice started a list, waiting on costs from Park District on a few items
  - Commercial Machine Purchase?
    - Slushies – Resounding no
    - Pizza Oven – Yes, agree
    - Popcorn Machine – No
    - Request for microwave

- New codes Instituted at CAF
- Travel Team
  - Tim Burns, advocating for a lower cost local travel league. Has met with Bill, has a senior at EGHS, Des Plaines resident, is involved with Roselle Rockers. He has had prelim conversations about starting a travel program.
    - Program would be Elk Grove based under the Rockers name (Rockers East)
    - EG Park District would need to offer our fields at their price which is approx. \$15/hour - \$20 with lights.
    - Approx season cost is \$850-900
  - Tim also spoke with Nick Tagliavia who runs the Itasca East sports complex and would be interested and support with a winter location
  - Park Board stance (Bill O'Malley) is to honor EG Residents first, any program would need to benefit Elk Grove kids/residents before supporting a program that would take field availability away from house programs.
  - Park District noted getting away from the 18 year old leagues, categorizing them into the adult leagues instead of being rolled in with the youth associations.
  - Park District needs to work on a better way to gauge true interest in the program
    - Park board will contact the other local travel teams for their rosters
    - Park board will send survey to those who were interested and try to expand their email list and marketing campaign
- Fire Program
  - Interest in expanding the fire program making it into a 6mo league.
  - Huntley and other Park Districts have been in touch with RJ on scheduling some games
    - Huntley plays mostly on Friday or Sunday, could do fire team or all-star games with them. They also do a Halloween game where they play in costume.
      - Even if we don't join for their Halloween game, we should do our own
    - Motion to add Huntley to Fire schedule for June - approved
- Pitching Machine
  - Agree that we need one, Matt will get pricing on a pitching machine for next meeting
- Winter Training Recap & Survey
  - Matt will send out a survey
  - Next year, want to figure out a way to incorporate coaches more to the training
    - Should also send a message out to the coaches
  - Baseball is looking to come back to the field house next year for winter training
- Umpire Update
  - Completed 4 weeks of training, approx. 8 per training. One more training session for umpires who are away at school before the season starts
  - Really trying to push the 90 second fielding change to get more game time
  - Still waiting for IHSA Rulebook, will put it on the website once received
  - Umpires will be added to the notifications when games are cancelled
- Picture Day
  - New date is May 11, outdoors at CAF
  - Indoor will be backup option but we will need to pay to staff since Pavilion is booked
    - Cost is \$15 / hour so about \$90
  - Order forms are in, distribute with uniforms
  - Jamie will share schedule and put together a flyer for sibling photos
- Bandits Night
  - Potentially now June 28<sup>th</sup>, Nick will reach out on availability
- Bingo Night
  - Approx 60 raffle prizes so far, RJ has jerseys coming in for it as well.
  - RJ will follow up with the fire engine ride to school
  - We have \$200 from Suburban Towing to buy raffle prizes, Jackie will buy a speaker and something else to raffle off

- Jackie will call and make sure we can get the 3 game card, we also need raffle tickets
  - Need highlighters, some at warehouse need to check if it still works
  - Split the pot raffle – approved to donate to Grove family
- Field / Equipment Issues or Needs
  - Chad hadn't heard of anything that needs attention
- New Business
  - Baseball is asking to share part of our storage area at CAF as they do not have any space there – motion to share, approved.
    - Park District asking if we need shelves, yes we do, Matt will send examples
  - Brian will look into key for Mead for the bathroom