



Elk Grove Girls Softball Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 18th 2019
8:30 p.m. Al Hattendorf Center

Members Present:

- RJ Gomez, Nick Moser, Matt Smith, Chad Brunn, Millie McLane, Scott Wadas

Members Absent:

- Michelle Langston, Jamie Andrade

Others Present:

- Brian O'Malley (Elk Grove Park District Rep), Melissa Wagner (EGGS Parent)

Call to Order

- RJ Gomez called the meeting to order at 8:33pm

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

- The minutes of the May 21, 2019 meeting were approved on a motion from Nick Moser and a second from Jackie Fuentes

Discussion with Melissa Wagner

- Mrs. Wagner introduced herself as a Mom of two girls currently playing in the EGGs Program (Mackenzie, Sophomore-Messenger and Keeley, Ponytail-Moser). She wanted to discuss promotion of the program throughout the community to help it continue to thrive. Specific items discussed include:
 - The establishment of a committee to recruit girls to the program. It was suggested that the committee could consist of one parent from each school in Elk Grove
 - Using the EG Park District's Play, Picnic and Party event in July as a kickoff to the 2020 Season
 - The opening of the Promotions position on the EGGs Board beginning with the 2020 Season. Mrs. Wagner expressed an interest in the position and asked to be kept informed if it needed to be filled.

Presidents Report

- Senior Team is playing in Mt. Prospect and doing well.
 - The need for more promotion of this team via the high schools for next season was discussed
- The prospect of EGGs sponsoring a Fall Ball Team(s) in Roselle or another community that offers it was discussed
 - RJ has reached out to Roselle about their program and we will pass along details to all EGGs families to gauge interest once we have them

- **Treasurer's Report**

- The report was tabled given Michelle Langston's absence and the lack of time available to review the financials. Any questions were to be directed to Michelle

- **Park District Updates**
 - The Park District still hopes to roll out the new websites on July 1, 2019 but that is not a firm date. It will be subject to training and having all wrinkles ironed out. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.
 - Election Criteria for New Board Members/Operational Guidelines
 - RJ Gomez was to speak with the board about the appointment criteria for new board members. Initial discussions seemed to suggest the board would support maintaining the same process used before
 - Operational Guidelines were last updated in 2018 and are not in need of updating at this time
 - Treasurer's / President's Meeting
 - The Park District will schedule a meeting for July, 2019
 - Play/Picnic/Party
 - Scheduled for Sunday, July 14 at The Pavilion. EGGS will share a booth with Baseball
 - Timesheets for umpires
 - Brian O'Malley indicated the umpires are improving with logging time and thanked Scott Wadas for his efforts to get everyone in compliance

- **Fire Update**
 - 10U, 12U and 14U teams set
 - Uniforms to be ordered once all players are registered
 - Coaches are booking tournaments
 - The need for better promotion in 2020 was discussed. This included potentially holding tryouts in conjunction with Winter Training to eliminate weather concerns and establish teams sooner.

- **Fall Ball Team**
 - Was discussed as part of the President's Report

- **CAF Shelving**
 - Needs will be communicated to the Park District

- **League Feedback**
 - Communication of a "Rules Refresher" to all managers prior to the start of the playoffs. Main points of emphasis were the "Look Back Rule" and Sliding Rules

- **Picture Day Feedback**
 - Overall people seemed pleased with the pictures
 - Primary complaints dealt with cost (multiple complaints received) and the poor quality of the manager plaques compared to previous years
 - It was recommended that discussions be held with the current photographer about concerns and other bids solicited before committing to a 2020 photographer

- **Bandits Update**
 - 199 tickets sold
 - Jamie Andrade to get tickets from the Bandits and coordinate distribution
 - Drawing to be held after Junior Home Run Derby to determine who throws the first pitch

- **New Business**

- Jackie Fuentes requested that EGGS request donation of used softball socks to be donated to a group who makes them sock animals which are then given to sick people. It was suggested socks could be collected at the EGGS Booth at the Paly, Picnic and Party
- A discussion was held on creating a Softball Clinic to promote the program
- It was requested that if anyone had any specific questions they wanted asked on the End of Season Survey that they submit them to Nick Moser. The survey will go out in early July
- The end of season Manager's Meeting will be held on July 10 at the Al Hattendorf Center (pending room availability). There was discussion of holding a quick Board Meeting at 5:30 and the Manager's Meeting at 6:00 to wrap up before Baseball's meeting at 7:00 that night also at Hattendorf.

- **Adjournment**

- There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 9:56pm on a motion by Nick Moser and a second by Scott Wadas.