

Homer Athletic Club

July Meeting Minutes

Tuesday July 7th 2015

Meeting called to order at 8:07 pm.

Roll Call

Present: Francone, Greaney, Picciolini, Leyden

Absent: Schulthies, Moore, Regan

Open Forum:

27 people attended meeting

Ken Marcin requested for the Lockport Marching band to borrow the cart/trailer from Aug – March.
Board approved

Rita Goslanski and Nicole Korosa regarding 9U Fire – wanted to know about a refund from this season. Pat stated it will be in the form of a HAC credit and the amount will be decided during an executive meeting. E-mail will be sent to the team.

Discussion on Travel (full-time & part-time) baseball program changes. Each team will be offered indoor instruction directed by Coach Andy Satunas and Nick Setta of Setta Performance. Both instructions will start in November. Estimated out of pocket costs: full time = \$900 and part-time = \$600. Details listed in letter that was sent out to all participating Heat & Fire players.

Mike Gasso (4 kids) – 2 in Heat why changing the program? President response: Rec & travel programs are declining. This is a way to start bringing kids back to the program or keep the kids that are in the program. Focusing in on the 7 – 9 year olds as the core group of kids to maintain in HAC. Why start in Nov/Dec? Increased hours for practices with instructors.

Matt Swedko / other coaches – 8 parents had issues with cost and kids participating in other sports. Response: Participation was mandatory but attendance was not. Will not conflict with HAC basketball. What is the net gain? Bringing kids back vs. leaving the program = Net 0 gain. Are there less kids in school? Flat year over year

President suggestion was to have the Fire program play during the week & Rec on the weekends. Concern from parents: other towns we are playing may not agree.

Fundraising opportunities? Looking for volunteers to set up a committee. Examples: sponsors for Heat/Fire/Rec teams to include on uniform; Tag days (Kenwood does not like the indiv teams doing this but might be open to a club sponsored day).

What are the times & cost for Setta performance? \$5 - \$10 per workout and Thursday (7:30 pm or 8:30 pm) – different for each age group. Will alternate times.

Start using the texting app along with Facebook

If this program is a “Go”, register for Rec and this training could be an option

Upcoming tournament weekend (July 10th) – could we get a trailer of port a johns?

Secretary report:

Pat Greaney made motion to accept June minutes. Nick Francone voted yes Annie Leyden second motion all vote Aye motion carried.

Treasures Report:

Report given by Annie Leyden. We are -\$28k this month but that was because of umpire cost and maintenance fees being paid. We are up \$25k from last year at this time.

Nick Francone made motion to except Treasures Report and Geno Picciolini second all voted Aye motion carried.

Rec. Baseball:

Playoffs & Championships are done.

All Stars are practicing and uniforms will be in on Thursday.

Homer 12u Tourney: 5 teams

Fire Baseball:

Season done – announcing managers by end of July

Travel Baseball:

Travel Baseball Report given by Pat Greaney. Heat managers selected. Tryouts week of July 13th.

Rec. Softball:

Report given by Annie Leyden. Season is done and All Stars are playing in tournaments during the month of July.

Fire Softball:

Report given by Annie Leyden. Fire season done and in the process of setting up tryouts for all the Fire teams. Tryouts will be completed by mid-August.

Travel Softball:

Report given by Annie Leyden. Travel managers were selected. 14u tournament taking place the July 10th weekend.

Basketball:

No report

Volleyball:

No report

Concessions: – No issues

Field Maintenance:

Report Given by Gino. Rain has made things very difficult. Fields don't drain properly and weeds are a problem. Expenses are very high this year.

Equipment:

Baseballs are ordered. Need to order softballs. Setting a date for all equipment to be returned.

Sponsorship: No report

Presidents Report:

Report given by Pat Greaney. Passionate about program – wanting the program to grow.

Old Business:

Fall baseball possibly starting mid-August thru mid-September. Field availability – will need to talk to Stallions. Age brackets: 7/8; 9/10 and 11/12. Talk to surrounding towns to play. Dave will need to put this on the website. Will need to send a mass e-mail.

New Business: – Possible fall ball with Chicago Sunday league (Fire teams). Coaches play a game in late July/early Aug on field 4 – 12" softball. Nick to look into this further. Umpires – is there an evaluation form to fill out? New service for next year?

Motion to adjoin by Nick Francone second by Geno Picciolini all Aye motion carried meeting adjointed at 9:46 pm.