

## BWSSA Board Minutes

March 6, 2022

Present: Joey McLeod, Jessica Dirk, Danielle Borseth, Beth Deeter, Sue Heilman

Absent: Samantha Lachenmeier, Brenda McNamara

Umpire fees were raised by the Mandan softball association and Bismarck Men's softball association to \$50 per game; which means we also will need to raise umpire fees to \$50 per game in order to obtain umpires for our games. Discussion as to whether we could absorb the cost without raising player's fees, since we had already decided to raise sponsor's fees to \$300; however due to the fact that this doubles the amount we have been paying in umpires fees which is approximately \$20,000, the association would not be able to absorb that much increase and we would need to raise player's fees from \$50 to \$60 per player. Danielle made the motion to raise the player's fees; Beth seconded the motion and the motion was approved by the board.

Amy Anderson called Danielle to discuss some issues with team classifications across the state. Teams wishing to be reclassified need to send a letter to support their request before their team can be reclassified.

There were 38 teams represented at the manager's meeting on February 24<sup>th</sup>, there have been additional teams that have sent texts and emails that they will or will not be having a team at this time we have 45 confirmed teams.

Joey brought up that she will not be able to run the invitational tournament on June 4<sup>th</sup> as she will need to be out of town for work, however she will have everything ready so the tournament will be ready. She has already lined up gatekeepers. The other board members indicated that we would be able to help out with running the tournament.

RC contacted Sue and indicated that we would not be getting our whole shipment of softballs before the season started, but that he would try to get us at least 6 cases so we should have enough to start league.

Next meeting will be March 24<sup>th</sup> at the Amvets club (basement). We will collect the tentative roster and \$300 sponsor fee. Rules clinic is set for April 7<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted

Sue Heilman, Secretary