

GASR TYSC Meeting

March 17, 2024 6:00pm – At Galesville Fire Department

Present: Amanda T, Gina B, Dan L, Quentin M, Meghan D, Jessie B, Deb S, Carly S, Margo T, Jack Hays, Chad Narva, Laura Roesler, Brad Schank

- **Call meeting to order- 5:59pm**
- **Secretary's Report-** Feb minutes were read motion to approve by Meghan and second by Deb. All in favor – motion carried and approved.
- **Treasurer's Report -** Both accounts reviewed and motion to approve by Quentin, second by Amanda. All in favor – motion carried and approved.
- **GASR –** Teams have been requested registration of tournaments so many charges for that. Outstanding checks for amounts: \$285 (Holmen), \$150 (Arcadia), \$300 Holmen.
 - **Dual signature account balance: \$17,422.952**
 - **Single signature account balance: \$4,263.69**
- **TYSC –**
 - **Savings balance: \$52,017.49**
 - **Basic checking balance: \$62,910.23**
 - **New CD: \$10,114.05**
- **New Business**
 - **Jack Hays - Trempealeau County - Parks and Recreation Coordinator Visiting**
 - talk about what my role is with the County and how I may be able to help
 - Jack explained his role in Trempealeau county with parks and rec to help community programs grow and restore fields or programs that kids need. He is willing to help by giving advice on possible grants to use to help. He spoke of an archery program ages 10-14 that his currently trying to get off the ground. He will continue to be in touch as he can in his current role.
 - **Chelsea Sokolik - Youth Dance Program Proposal**
 - [Proposal Document Link](#)
 - Chelsea shared the information on what she would like to see for an affordable and local dance program for the G-E-T school district. Creating a program that would be separated in group of 1st-4th grade and 5th-8th grade. If a program cannot get off the ground right away looking to get some camps or clinics in the area to gain insight on the interest in the community for such programs. Looking at a registration fee of around \$95-99 to cover costs of poms, tights and shoes and maybe fundraise for a uniform to be used. She does have some individuals interested in helping to coach.
 - She proposed that we do a 6 week clinic to get this started. She will work on a proposal for what that clinic would look like, costs, and dates.
 - **John & Anna Dawson (Jailhouse) - Chicken Q Fundraiser Idea**
 - “Rather than attending this evening’s meeting, we have decided to ask the parents with boys in 10U baseball if they are interested and willing to help with a fundraiser for the benefit of our league to be used for travel tournaments. We will not be asking for any help from the committee at this time” from Anna at 1:01 PM today.

- Maybe look to see if she wants to do a fundraiser for tournaments that she conduct the Chicken Q but as a 10u baseball fundraiser not as TYSC/GASR fundraiser.
- **New Swim Rep:**
 - Sam is stepping down as Swim Rep for board and has interested candidate Chad Narva. Chad attended the meeting and board voted on position. Motion to approve Chad as swim rep by Meghan, second by Amanda. Motion carried and approved.
 - Swim team deadline also extended from April 1st to April 30th.
 - Would prefer a Monday clean up for Catfish Days.
 - Meeting held on April 24ths to discuss schedule changes for the swim teams.
- **Town of Trempealeau Request for a brief report of budget/expenses**
 - include 2024 registration report for our township kids at the same time
 - Margo presented a template of what the budget report would look like to send to townships. All approved the format and it will be revised with current information for season to send out during our August billing.
- **Nick - Holmen Youth Soccer - Update from Dan**
 - Dan met with Nick to discuss the possibility of a soccer program for G-E-T. He discussed the options that could be available. It was noted that there is a co-op youth soccer program with Mel-min that is held in the spring. Does not sound like a lot of our kids participate. Need to further review this option of adding a soccer program.
 - Possibility of holding camp to gain interest in the community.
- **Approval of Directors/Coaches/Ump Coordinator**
 - Bob O'Neill - Ump Coordinator
 - Late Registrations: This year the number of late requests has been a lot. We have a policy to charge a \$50 late fee. Until now we have been lenient on this. From this point on this policy will be enforced.
 - Late Participants: Motion to approve late registration for late registrations of **Heather Haag daughter, Kaleb Johnson, Nick Hayter, Brian Kent**. Dan motion to approve, Margo second. All approve – motion carried.
 - Motion of additional staff: Motion to approve **Jim Scherr, Holly Sosalla, Charlene Nelson, Alex Byom, Alex Polnesk and Beth Spitzmacher**. Dan motion to approve, Margo second. All approve – motion carried.
 - 10U Softball: Heather Haag would like to still join her 10 yr-old daughter. No reason given so far.... Stacey Giemza (director) is fine with it and thinks it may help the numbers with the 2 teams.
 - 13U Spring BB: Heidi Johnson would like to still sign up for her son Kaleb. Kaleb is already registered for 13U BB Summer. Talked to Dave Hansen (HC) and he is fine with it.
 - 10U Baseball: Nick Hayter ?
 - 12U Baseball: Brian Kent (player decided he wanted to play now) Zach Cook is good with it.
 - George Hart Request: son is interested in playing 14U baseball; from the Town of Holland; can he sign up? Jackie Repaal said: "I asked both coaches. We'd like to say no. We have 14 kids with 5 on the bench"
 - **It was not approved to allow George Hart to register**
 - 12U SB: Jim Scherr and Dana Halderson for approval of 12U SB Assistant Coaches.

- **It was not approved to select Dana Halderson as assistant coach. Reaching out to her for possible director position.**
- **Staffing Position Needs:**
 - Galesville T-Ball - 1 head coach to work w/ Courtney Ratkus' team
 - Trempealeau T-Ball - 1 Director and 1 head coach for 2nd team; if 3 teams need more for that team. **See a separate meeting with tremp T-ball after April 1st as they split into 3 group that need to stagger their practices for safety and parking.**
 - 10U BB (lower team) - 1 assistant Coach to work with Brendan Pohjola
 - 12U BB - 1 director – **Holly Sosalla**
 - 13U BB - Summer Season: for 2nd Team: 1 head coach and one assistant coach
 - Rookie/8U SB: 1 head coach for 2nd team to work w/Kristina Schwertel (directing both teams) – **Alex Byom, Alex Polnesk, Beth Spitzmacher, Director Charlene Neslon**
 - 10U SB: for 2nd team: 1 head coach, 1 director and 1 assistant
 - 12U SB: need a director and assistant coach
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- **Teams Setup**
 - 10U Baseball - 2 teams: will need pre-season evaluations done for upper/lower
 - **New league rules is no division for 10u and lower. Team will still be divided into two teams with the upper team competing in the 11u silver division rather than two equal teams. Quentin and Brad to set up time with coaches to evaluate the kids.**
 - Who for evaluations? _____
 - Date for evaluations? _____
 - Stats from last season in the book
 - Brad is requesting to be involved in the evaluations?
 - Requesting \$2,600 total for away tournaments for 2 teams total (*saying we expect all parents to help at the tournament even if only one team (lower team) is playing*)
 - Brad's process last year for splitting into two tourney teams: *"What we did last year when we split tournament teams was this: I have a group of dads/mom (approximately 6) that have helped coach since rookie ball. We set a scrimmage date after a few weeks of practice. Before the scrimmage I made each coach give me their "locks" for the upper team. I took the names that were on every list and made sure those kids mostly played the less premium positions. Every other kid I gave time at premium positions and had them bat at the top of the order to help better sort through the "middle" and "lower" kids. After that each coach privately gave me their top 12. Whatever names showed up the most made my upper team. And as far as I know there were no major complaints from the parents."*
 - 10U Softball - 2 teams: will we need pre-season evaluations done for upper/lower or are we set on two equally skilled teams per previous discussions?

- Again no upper divisions for 10u softball. Discussion on dividing the girls between 3rd grade and 4th grade. Further discussion will be needed.
 - Carly Sebion - concerns for this level not having enough pitchers/etc. to have a quality experience for lower level?
 - Meeting?
 - Stacey Giemza would prefer not to direct both teams (need 2nd director)
 - Katie Stevens (wants upper and lower teams)
 - We need all staff for the 2nd team first.
 - Who for evaluations? _____
 - Date for evaluations? _____
 - 13U Baseball - 2 teams: will need pre-season evaluations done for upper/lower
 - Emily Hansen said she can direct both teams.
 - We need Head Coach and Assistant Coach for 2nd team
 - Who for evaluations? Again, will need to have Quentin involved for evaluations. Needs to be completed prior to April 30th. Look to have Dave keep stats in spring season to help with process.
 - Date for evaluations? _____
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- **Background Check of New Coaches**
 - Where do we do this? CCAP
 - Who needs the checks? Sending all information to Carly to perform background checks on new directors and coaches.
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- **Concessions Trailer**
 - Trempealeau Health depart said we are exempt from licensing (“Concession stand at a locally sponsored sporting event, such as little league”); but responsible for proper food handling at all times.
 - City of Galesville - Jennifer Hess - said as long as we are not on a street, there is no City of Galesville Permit (just talk to the School)
 - Village of Trempealeau - We would need to submit an “application for direct seller’s permit” with V of T (no fees as Charitable org.) Need to document proof that any Trempealeau Licensing requirements are met (did so on 3/14/24)
- **Spring Clean Up Date**
 - Sunday, April 14th? Looking to get clean up date set for April 14th for Trempealeau 10-12 and Galesville from 1-3pm. We would need a specific person in charge at each location to direct people on the jobs needed for the day rather than having them sign up for a specific job.
 - IN ADDITION, set the fall clean up date of August 11th. Need to confirm with Chris on this date.
 - Director’s meeting after that? Directors meeting for baseball will also be completed on April 14th at 4pm at the Trempealeau main field shelter or place TBD. Softball director/coaches meeting will be Monday April 15th at 5:30(directors) with coaches showing up at 6:00. Location of MS cafeteria.
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- **Equipment to Order?**

- Amanda requested for spending of money to get new catchers equipment for softball teams through GASR. Motion to approve spending up to \$1,500 for new gear by Amanda, second by Meghan. All in favor – motion carried.
 - There needs to be a new drag purchased for Trempealeau field as well as additional catchers gear, base plugs and lime.
 - **Umpire Application Period (late March - early April)?**
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 - **Pre-season/Spring Season start dates?**
 - Pres season start will be 3rd week of April 4/21/24 with spring 13u starting April 1st.
 - **Other New Business:**
 - Motion to approve Ellie Gold as assistant coach for 6-8yr group as well. Motioned by Gina, second by Meghan. All approved – motion carried.
- **Old Business**
 - **Update on Tremp Main Field Concessions Break-In**
 - Keys and New Code Update
 - Scoreboard Remote Ordering – Remote was ordered and will be in hand by the end of the week.
 - **Update from City of Galesville Meeting on Thurs. Feb. 22**
 - update on what the City of Galesville was looking for
 - Discussion with city on the importance of them continuing to fund the program as they have including additional cost to the club as well as paper trails of taxpayer money spent. Will continue as they have.
 - **Jersey Vendor for next season**
 - Edge Graphics - Arcadia
 - Uniform Proofs for Voting
 - Uniform Order window of dates: Need to have deadline of April 1st to get uniforms ordered. First game (tournament) is May 11th.
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 - **2024 Registration Updates:**
 - Spring 2024 Season
 - 13U Updates from Dave (currently 3 home games on two dates scheduled for May 7 vs Whitehall (DH) and May 9 vs Arcadia; also they have one away tourney in May; First Away game is scheduled for April 26th
 - Gunner Hilton - 11U BB participation - no new news; we provided any records we had. Summer through she paid for 2022 balances. Conversation w/Brad and email with everyone was had. No news. Gunner parents were sent an email on status of unpaid balance to have completed prior to this season to continue. (As of 3/18/24 – Summer has responded that he will not be in the youth program. Program was cancelled.)
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 - **Facilities Meeting update w/G-E-T**
 - Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024 was held (Amanda, Quentin, Meghan, Nate DeJager. Rick S. Tim J., Jackie Repaal, Scott Hovell) attended

- Trep School Field is booked by Redhawk in April and May 4-8 PM every day (happen prior to this Fields Meeting we were required to have to reserve fields)
- Redhawk is requesting with Rick the Gale School Field on May 20 and 23rd from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM for Redhawk double headers they scheduled. We have not been asked, to give this up, we are being told by Redhawk to give these times up. Discussion to be held with Tim on some give and take since we have no time for the tremp elementary field. Redhawk will not be able to submit a new request until we have bumped our time off calendar.
- Does Redhawk get rights to bump us from reserved times? How do field reservations work?

- **Trep Main Field Bathroom Update:**
 - June Timeline
 - Talk more at April Meeting
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- **Trempealeau New Park Development:**
 - We have some designs in the works on the buildings/etc.
 - If anyone would like to see them, we can discuss if time permits
 - New Park Agreement w/Village - after designs are completed and fundraising committee knows what we are pursuing/what's in the plans, we can develop this.
 - Hoping to have design finalized for fundraising by May. More discussion to be had.
- **Other Old Business:**
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- **Possible Motion to move to Closed Session**
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- **Special Meeting: April 7th at 6:00pm at Galesville fire dept.**
- **Next meeting: April 21st at 6:00 pm at Galesville fire dept**
- **Meeting adjourned – 8:49pm**