

WBA Monthly Meeting

05.11.2021

David Downs, Ryan Dudash, Bob George, Doug Goodson, Luke Hall, Katie Hood, Matt Michael, Dan Reppe, Jessica Testerman, Matt Tieperman, Steve Thomas Potorti, Andy Yingling
8:34pm-9:10pm

Open Item Follow Up

- Matt – nothing open from last week, good on money for youth and teen leagues, everything paid through today
- David – small issues resolved; Luke, Ryan and Matt are commissioners – working on getting money for ump; no issues with ump; not showing up; Andy (in-house); Steve (travel)

Round Table Check-In

- Matt – nothing open from last week, good on money for youth and teen leagues, everything paid through today
- Doug – no specific updates, asked about pictures
 - David – pictures went well; two photographers in gym; two teams into gym; next two teams do temperature check and then into gym for photos; worked well with temp station and two people at the door; Pictures R Us ready with circles for kids to stand on when waiting; ahead of schedule or on-time for all; minimal number of players came in on the 7th when scheduled for the 14th
 - Action Item – help needed for Friday, email David if you can help
- Doug – mentioned intermittent issues with tractor, will reach out to David for help getting it on the trailer to take into the shop
- David – still set up to do golf tournament on May 28th; need support from commissioners/coaches to share about tournament; register on Stone Alley site; post on Facebook, etc.; would like at least 50 or more people to sign up; currently at 12; bigger fundraiser, especially without the Orioles game; funds used to cover cost of field maintenance and equipment
- Bob – trophies are in already, will follow up as needed for trophy and medal distribution
- Steve – going fine with ump; and travel; a little tricky to schedule ump; even with schedules sent in advance; no issues with ump; not showing up; three teams playing games so far, 14/16/18 not into games quite yet
- Andy – going fine with ump; and equipment; coaches in contact with him; good to go
- Dan – no issues for t-ball; issue with first base plate and second base not going in all the way; possible dirt in post; David suggested using tool in garage; Dan doesn't have access to either and noted coaches only have access to the blue shed
 - David asked for confirmation on whether all T-ball coaches have keys to access the gate; unsure since most just remove the chain; shared that the key that fits the gate fits the garage door
 - Action item – Dan will let the coaches know about gate/garage access
- Dan – mentioned Central Carroll policy email for masks; David will follow up later in meeting
- Chris – away with work, shared with David previously he is good to go
- Luke – staying busy with Manchester and Winfield; working to schedule make up games; plenty of other games scheduled; playoffs are set up so everyone makes it even if they don't get the number of games in
 - David said not to stress too much if not able to get make up games in with weather and quarantine; minors are bigger with Manchester and Winfield; unique and busier than

normal year; possible thought to have two commissioners for next year – share working on schedules, different duties for umps, etc. (Luke – make it a paid position!)

- David/Doug/Luke – discussion changes in tone of game from t-ball to instructional; David suggested no more scoring with 9-10 and just playoffs at the end; not the same issues with majors; big jump in game with pitching and parent involvement
- Ryan – majors going “great, absolutely fantastic;” coaches have each other’s contact information; helps with coordinating make up games and working with Andy directly and then running it by Ryan first for approval; can reschedule games on field space during practice time if needed
 - David – more teams in minors; trickier to reschedule; less field space than majors
 - David – generate money through pitchers coming up?, scheduling playoffs soon, good to get teams thinking of headcounts and which coaches and players will be there; league would put \$1000 for uniforms, etc.; head coaches and assistants
 - Action item – Ryan talk to coaches about who may want to participate in tournament teams, especially in 11-12 league
 - Action item – David to send detail with specifics, expectations for coaches to share before reaching out
- Matt – good with 13-15; team averages are younger with more 13 and 14, maybe one 15-year-old
- David? (sorry, I missed who was discussing this!) – heard more from parents about travel since there are fewer teams and Manchester and Winfield do not have teams this year; Manchester and Winfield having teams would cut down on travel
- Katie – a few assistant coaches that need background coaches; travel team coaches are expiring at the end of the season; working with Jen to reschedule a time to meet for the website; no other updates
 - Action item – will send updated excel list to David
- Jess – checking in about help with materials for tournament; no other updates
- David – with Bob moving on, Morgan Roberts offered to take on role; he and Bob met with her; organized, able to help with a lot of items, possibly more with Team Snap; called into work and not able to join today; will vote for position, would prefer to wait until she can introduce herself directly – helping with items Bob has been doing, self-help, trophies, etc., work to better inform coaches of tasks and roles
- David – need improved communication from Parks and Rec to WBA; communication to Central Carroll regarding lifting of outdoor mask mandates (in line with Governor’s updates); up to counties to determine what rules they want to follow with mask protocol; masks are not mandatory outdoors; volunteer for coaches to wear masks; be diligent with social distancing; don’t want to have an outbreak or have to shut down teams; minor issues this year, not through league; many parents not wearing masks outside already
 - WBA part of Westminster Rec Council; president of each with board; all within Parks and Rec
 - Action item – David will send an email with updated detail to WBA
- David – thanks to board for hard work; focus should shift away from some of the other tasks to just managing umps and being able to play games for the rest of the season; recognizes more ask of board, commissioners, etc. with additional leagues and covid processes; thanks to Katie and Jess for offering to help

Bob – motion to adjourn

Luke – second