VGSA Board Meeting 8/8/2017

Present: Maura Martin, Doug Johnson, Ronda Swanson, Scott Smith, Mike Sturdevent, Teri Kirby, Alison Milhorn, Madonna Underland

Guests: Diana Niemann Reuter, Yolanda Devine

Call to order- 7:33 pm

Financial Report: approximately \$52,000 in checking. Approximately \$48,000 in money market account. There are still some small fees coming in. We still need to pay USA softball. Doug proposes we move \$20,000 to money market acct. We will then reserve \$4,000 for operating expenses and have \$28,000 for working expenses. Motion 2nd and passed.

Proposal to set up a working budget and Quick books online and eliminate payroll co.

Old Business:

End of year League recap- We finished the season profitable. Concessions also did well for the season. There were some minor problems with a few parents and coaches at outside tournaments. These instances were handled professionally by the board. Tournaments went well. We received good feedback from other teams. All in all, the league went well. Things to consider- We should check with insurance company about legal fees should anyone or the board ever need counsel. Also, now would be a good time to review the league insurance policy.

Papa Murphy's Fundraiser- We raised approximately \$7,000. This amount will be put toward a new sound system. It is proposed that next year, we have families pay for cards with registration and then they "pay" themselves as they sell cards.

Field Repairs- Scott S. made a list. Big items 1) Fix Fences 2) repair bleachers 3) Field 5 dugouts 4) Field 1 3rd base line fence. 5) level fields, regrade fields and fix lips on all fields 6) fix conex boxes and gate 7) coffee shed- clean out or tear down?

It is proposed that we find someone, a landscape co, to maintain fields. John Milhorn has been phenomenal, but would like someone else to take over field management as it is becoming a bigger job than just a volunteer position.

We will put together a wish list for fields and propose applying for a state grant and another TODAY foundation grant.

Jr umpires for 8u games- These will be eliminated as it was determined during our audit that we can not pay them to umpire. It is proposed that parents become the umpires for these games.

Umpires- Mike reported that some umpires from the area worked at Nationals. Mike will also work on training new umpires

Try outs- Try outs have been sporadic, but going well. Many teams are using fields. Board member will open sheds as needed. Fire is renting fields for 3 days.

Fall Ball tournaments- We will not be running a fall league. Showtime, NW Legacy and Ignite have interest in running fall tournaments. These will be Saturday only tournaments so as not to interfere with Sunday league at Delta Park.

New Business: Diana Reuter proposed running a showcase day/college prep day for girls 14+. This would be for 14-18 year olds interested in playing at the college level. Diana would be available for Q/A. It would be a fun day/ clinic to help prepare girls for playing upper level softball.

2018 HS Jamboree- need to make sure we get the coordination of this done early. Is this something we are locked in to doing?

Meeting adjourned. 8:44