



**Grafton Hot Stove League, Inc.**  
**February 21, 2016**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at Grafton VFW at 5:02 p.m.

**ATTENDEES:** (in no particular order) Joe Melendez, Chris Miscuda, Jim Clark, Tom Tomasheski, Jim Martin, Jeff Hensley, Kristen Stout, Dan Stout, Brandon Edgell, Bill Kulwicki, Deb Frabotta, Morgan Sedlak, Jennifer Sedlak, Matt Thomas, Eric Maynard, Chad Armbrurger (representing Chris West), Dale Lowrie, Cara Babel, Wes Mariner, Ron Baron, Scott Jalowiec. Excused from meeting: Dennis Reaser, Kevin Yates, Tricia McCarrick, Rhonda Mueller, Bob Miscuda.

**OFFICERS/BOARD MEMBERS: (present)**

President: Chris Miscuda

Treasurer: excused

Girl's Personnel Director: Tom Tomasheski

Concession Stand Director: Deb Frabotta

Vice President: Jim Clark

Secretary: Deb Frabotta

Boys Personnel Director: excused (County meeting)

Head Umpire:

**Trustees: (present)**

Kristen Stout, Jim Martin, Scott Jalowiec, Jeff Hensley, Wes Mariner.

**OFFICER'S REPORTS:**

**President: Chris Miscuda**

Nothing to report.

**Secretary: Deb Frabotta**

Roll call was done. A sign in sheet was circulated and completed by those in attendance (noted above). A motion was made to suspend the reading of the Meeting Minutes by Wes Mariner, Seconded by Dan Stout. Motion passed. A motion was made to accept the Meeting Minutes by Tom Tomasheski and Seconded by Deb Frabotta. Motion passed.

**Treasurer: Tricia McCarrick**

Checking, Savings & Concession account balances were reported. A motion was made by Wes Mariner and Seconded by Dan Stout to accept the report and approve payment of bills. Motion passed.

**Vice President: Jim Clark**

- Insurance is being reviewed for fiscal responsibility
- Field situation
  - Field days- will be scheduling some dates when weather permits
    - Reservoir- needs grass removal, sunscreens installed, general upkeep
    - Belden- needs grass eradication, upkeep and painting
- Field supplies & equipment- will assembling a list for Board approval; bases, rubbers, new drag screen, rakes.
- Mowing- MTD will be contacted by Rhonda Mueller for this year.
- Playground equipment- Old Grafton School donated the playground equipment to the Village, they are asking for our input on best location to install, will discuss further at the next meeting.

**Girl's Personnel Director Report: Tom Tomasheski**

- Portage County has withdrawn from OGSO
- Umpire Clinic- American Legion on Ohio & Gulf
  - March 6<sup>th</sup> 1-5pm
  - March 13<sup>th</sup> 3-5pm
  - March 20<sup>th</sup> 1pm for test
- Tournament
  - Farm- June 25<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup> At North Ridgeville
  - Districts – July 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> at Grafton (may utilize add'l site)

- State- July 23 & 24 at Trumbull County
- Background check
- Concussion tests
- Code of Conduct
- Avon bringing in a new Class C team
- Team fees & registrations due at March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting- will need to get checks
- New players that were not rostered last year need liability waiver signed by parent/guardian
- Next County Meeting February 28, 2016, 7PM Wellington Town hall

### **Boy's Personnel Director Report: Rhonda Mueller**

- New players that were not rostered last year need to have liability waiver signed by parent/guardian. We already had an injury this year.
- Rosters are being worked on, at this point it looks like we will have 1 Farm Minor team (Still looking for 4 more players), 3- I, 2- HH, 1- H, 1- GG, 1- G and 1- F. We have some that are supposed to play in Grafton, requesting to be released to MYB & have since decided to play in Grafton, so our rosters and numbers have been very liquid. Hoping to firm them up and get releases signed from other communities. We have had MANY players want to transfer in to Grafton, but few that want released out of Grafton, thanks to our facilities, fields, coaches and families for making Grafton the desired community to play in. With that being said, first goal is to ensure all Grafton kids are playing on a team before placing released kids on the team. First is Grafton, then returning players, then releases from other communities. The players from other communities will be determined by when they signed up (first to sign up has the open spot & so on and so forth). At this point any registrations will be put on a waiting list until rosters are reviewed (regardless if they are Grafton players, returning players or players released into Grafton, they are considered late registrations).
- A few reminders from the January County Meeting.
  - MANDATORY County managers meeting will be April 16th, all managers must attend.
  - Farm Minor/I- planning on 13 teams; Season starts May 5th, games will be on Wed/Sat; 5 coaches are allowed for I Division this year.
  - HH/H- Manager Meeting will be held at 9 AM; First game may be as early as April 30th, but due to Medina & North Ridgeville's early bird tournaments this may be pushed back; games are Mon/Thurs & few Saturday's
  - GG/G- 20 games this year; Season will start @ April 29th and will be played on Tues/ Fri
  - F- Reminder, FF was eliminated 14 yr old players can either play in F (made up of 13-14 ) or EE; Season may start as early as April 28 and play Mon/Thurs.
  - Umpire classes will be held at the American Legion in Elyria March 6, 13, & 20 from 1 - 5. A class will also be held Sunday February 28 at Medina High School from 1 to 5. Under the age of 16 must go each year and over must attend every two years. This year at tournaments the umpires will be paid \$30 instead of \$25.
  - Concussions Courses are good for 3 years, and are required
  - Background checks must be done using the NCI site. They are good for 2 years. The # given MUST be turned in to me to put on rosters. It is a 16 digit number. After doing your background check, watch your email to ensure no additional information is requested.
- Next county meeting February 21, 2016

### **Head Umpire Report: vacant**

### **Equipment Manager Report: Bob Miscuda**

Excused, no report given.

### **Concession Stand: Debbie Frabotta**

Waiting on schedules to be released.

### **Fundraising: Debbie Frabotta**

- Superbowl Squares- thank you to Bob Miscuda for running 2 boards this year, generating \$1500 total
- Reverse Raffle
  - April 16<sup>th</sup>
  - Team responsibilities
    - Tickets- 10 per team
    - Liquor
    - Basket
  - Volunteers for prep/setup/takedown

**Old Business**

Picture vendor- still forthcoming

**New Business**

Reverse raffle date set as April 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting will be March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016, 5:00p.m. at Grafton VFW on Huron St.**

Motion to adjourn at 5:25 p.m. by Wes Mariner, Seconded by Dan Stout. Motion passed.