



**Grafton Hot Stove League, Inc.
January 13, 2013
Meeting Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at Grafton VFW at 4 pm.

ATTENDEES: (in no particular order) Ron Baron, Ron Phillips, Chris Miscuda, Scott Kardos, Tim Shevel, Kevin Yates, Tom Farley, George Bates, Dave DiVencenzo, Randy Moore, John Miller, Brian Searle, Scott Wuencsh, Bob Miscuda

OFFICERS/BOARD MEMBERS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

President: Ashley Mease

Vice President: Jennifer Short

Treasurer: Tricia McCarrick

Secretary: Rhonda Mueller (excused)

Girl's Personnel Director: Tom Tomasheski

Boys Personnel Director: Wes Mariner

Concession Stand Director: Jamie Wade/Tim Shevel

Co-Fundraiser Chairperson: Brian Searle

Co-Fundraiser Chairperson: (Open)

Head Umpire: (Open)

Tournament Director: (Open)

Uniform Coordinator: (Open)

Equipment Manager: (Open)

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

President: Ashley Mease

Ashley provided input in each of the below areas over the course of the meeting and kept content on target for discussions.

Secretary: Rhonda Mueller (reported by Ashley Mease in Mueller's absence)

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 from November 11, 2012 by Wes Mariner McCarrick Seconded by Brian Searle.

Treasurer: Tricia McCarrick

The account balances were reported. There were two invoices requested for payment; one to Relmax for \$32.50 (website updates of new members and redirection of email addresses along with miscellaneous enhancements) and Minute Men Press for \$118.60 (production of 2013 registration flyers and forms, 1600 copies). Motion to accept report & approve payments of bills was made by Chris Miscuda and seconded by Tom Tomasheski.

Vice President: Jennifer Short (reported by Ashley Mease for Short was running late. Short arrived shortly after report was given)

Update on uniforms was provided for girls. It was noted boys update would be provided at February meeting. Seeking quotes and samples. A highlevel overview was given on changes/enhancements to GHS website.

Girl's Personnel Director Report: Tom Tomasheski

- Next County Meeting January 20, 2013 @ Wellington Town Hall @ 7 PM.
- Waiver Forms for all new players was communicated and that the form would be located on GHS site under Forms section "Insurance Forms". Wes sent Tom a copy for Tom's files.

Boy's Personnel Director Report: Wes Mariner

- Next county meeting - January 27 at 5 pm in Columbia.
- Background Checks Update was covered. Coaches were to contact Wes to make sure they were compliant. If not, the coaches were directed to get coverage before they start ANY practices.

Fundraising Chairperson: Brian Searle

Super Bowl Square Fundraiser was announced. Two boards would be positioned at registration. The first one would be a \$10 donation board and the second would be a \$5 donation board. The payout would be determined prior to registration and all information would reside on GHS website.

Annual Reverse Raffle will be moved to April. Date and location was not yet confirmed but advised all information would be provided at next meeting.

Head Umpire Report: Open (report given by Ashley Mease)

GHS received information right before meeting started courtesy of Lou Vasi. Umpire Clinic information was communicated and advised all interested members to visit GHS for more details on upcoming clinics.

Equipment Manager Report: (Jim Clark)

Equipment turned in, only Mariner outstanding.

Concession Stand: (Jamie Wade or Tim & Debbie Shevel)

Closed for the season

Old Business

A quick overview of 2013 officers was made. Ashley Mease, President; Jennifer Short, VP; Secretary, Rhonda Mueller; Treasurer, Tricia McCarrick; G. Personnel, Tom Tomasheski; Boys Personnel, Wes Mariner. Committee Members as followed; Concession Stand Director(s): Jamie Wade and Tim/Debbie Shevel along with Fundraising Chair, Brian Searle

Friendly reminder of registration was communicated and that forms would be located on GHS website. Also mentioned was the flyers that were being distributed to students about registrations. Many members mentioned their children started bringing them home which was a good sign they were being passed out.

New Business

- GHS monthly meetings were announced and all parties were directed to GHS website for any changes or updates for future meetings. All meetings will be held at Grafton VFW except for June. No meetings will be held during July, August and December unless needed. Meeting Dates: Feb. 10th, March 10th, April 14th, May 5th, June 9th (Grafton Fields), September 8th, Oct. 13th and Nov. 10th
- 2013 Registration fees were announced and motion to approve the same pricing as 2012 was made by Wes Mariner and seconded by Scott Kardos.

- Candy Fundraiser for those Girls teams who would play on Midview North fields was discussed for 2013. Background was provided as it related to 2012 experience/agreement. In 2012 GHS waived those fees for the girls teams and paid Midview North the OPT out cost for each girl in return those parents would work GHS fundraisers and tourneys in July. A. Mease motioned to follow the same process for 2013. Wes Mariner motioned to approve the 2013 recommended Candy Opt out solution for those girls' teams playing on Midview North Fields and Jen Short seconded the motion.
- Director of Field Operations, a one year transitional appointed position was announced. Further commentary was provided as to the need of this position due to the addition of the Belden fields for 2013. This position is a committee member non-voting position. A nomination was made by Dave DiVencenzo to appoint Jim Clark. Jen Short motioned to approve the nomination and appointment while Tricia McCarrick seconded the motion.
- Tournament Director Position was opened to the floor for nominations. Dave DiVencenzo was unanimously voted in and accepted position with one condition. DiVencenzo asked to mentor a fellow volunteer for 2013. The volunteer being Brian Searle. All members were in favor of this mentorship. For 2013 Brian Searle and Dave DiVencenzo will be co-Tourney Directors with DiVencenzo leading the way. This position is a committee member position.
- Equipment Manager Position was opened to the floor as well and Chris Miscuda nominated Bob Miscuda for EM position. Bob accepted and all members unanimously voted in Bob Miscuda for 2013 season as Equipment Manager. This position is a committee member position.
- Uniform Coordinator Position was the last position opened to the floor. Jeannie Miscuda expressed interest to Ashley Mease prior to meeting via email. A Mease provided Jeannie's background and endorsed this nomination. Jen Short seconded the nomination and all parties were in favor. No members opposed appointment.
- Head Umpire Position was tabled until next meeting.
- A Treasurer request was made for GHS to remain compliant with all aspects of operations. Three requests in total; one for purchase of non-profit software program (\$319 before taxes and shipping), a second was hiring Alan Januzzi for 2012 Tax Preparation in the amount of \$250 and last a request to purchase a GHS laptop computer with warranty for up to \$500. Much commentary took place as to the need of these requests. Wes Mariner motioned for the purchase of the software package and Tom Tomasheski seconded. All parties were in favor, no parties opposed. Wes Mariner also motioned to hire Alan Januzzi as the CPA to cover GHS 2012 tax preparation and Jen Short seconded the motion. All members approved. Lastly Tom Tomasheski motioned to approve the purchase of the laptop computer while Tim Shevel seconded the motion. Again, all parties were in favor of this purchase.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Wes Mariner and seconded by Brian Searle.

Next Meeting will be Sunday, February 10th at 4:00 PM at the Grafton VFW.