

Mount Horeb Softball Club Meeting

Meeting Time/Location:

Date: Monday, September 18th / 7:00 PM

Location: Culvers

Attendees: Eric Swiggum, Maddie Swiggum, Jojo Murray, Gina Rhiner, Nicole Imbus, Marc Rhiner, Christine Swiggum, Nicole Johns, Phil Geisler, Jeff Mester, Mandy McWilliams, Kate Kraemer, Sadie Sutter, Kurt Adler

Meeting Agenda:

1. Minutes from last meeting (posted)
2. Treasurer Report – Nicole Imbus: \$51,206.17 balance, TeamSnap registrations, donation from Tim Volden's employer, VIP refunds, Port-o-potty for August, Kurt reimbursements, PO Box renewal.
3. Student Liaison Report – Gina Rhiner, Jojo Murray, Maddie Swiggum will be student liaisons for the season. They received a binder as a reference to help with events for the season. Fall ball season has started.
4. 4. Coach Liaison Report – Jeramie Holman (not in attendance), Eric – two fall ball dates have occurred, weight room ready to go beginning of November 2023, numbers will be around 30, so will have plenty for JV and Varsity, possibly two JV teams.
5. 5. Committee Reports:
 - a. Youth Program – Jeff Mester:
 - i. 2024 Tournament Team Sign-Up: 92 girls are signed up, waiting on three players that have not registered, three teams practicing now one day per week, through mid-October. Port-o-potty can be cancelled at the end of October. ELC rescheduled Nov. 3rd noon to 7pm Sunday through end of March, except for Christmas.
 - ii. Coach the Coaches event – 9-12-23 recap: H.S. coaches giving tips and tricks to youth coaches.
 - iii. Youth catching clinic, Jan 7th at ELC for now, possibly elsewhere – put on by Syd Swiggum. Ten in a session is ideal for about 90 minutes. Could fit in around open gym that day. Will plan around BDL schedule. Cost will be \$15 / player. Jojo has extra set of catching gear that she is willing to donate, and is willing to help out Syd that day.
 - b. Equipment – Stephanie Christensen (not in attendance)
 - i. Shed clean-up / equipment inventory / collect coach's books – after fall ball
 - ii. Construction items stored in there currently
 - c. Troll Tourney – Christine Swiggum – need a separate person specifically for concessions, and someone to step in for Jeff Mester if he needs to leave for a bit.
 - i. Save the date announcement: Maddie Swiggum would design an invite. Jeff will forward info to Maddie.
 - ii. Kurt and Jeff to finalize agenda for first meeting
 - iii. Wisconsin Fastpitch Softball Teams on facebook is a good place to advertise for the tournament
 - d. Umpire Coordinator – Open Position (your name here)
 - e. Field Coordinator – Eric Swiggum: net will be up through end of October weather permitting
 - f. Apparel Coordinator – Marah Odgers (not in attendance)
 - g. Concession Coordinator – Amy Nichols? (not in attendance)
 - h. Field Improvements – Kurt Adler: Varsity dugouts tuckpointed and will be powerwashed and painted and then will add fencing back in. Batting cage / pitching / catching area is in process. Will put plates and rubbers up after the winter. Footing poured for batting cage this week. Thanks to Dave Jones Plumbing for donated equipment use and Steve Kellesvig, Phil Geisler, Eric Swiggum, Jonathan Weigel and Jeff Imbus. Do we want the cages numbered for scheduling practices? Cage One and Cage Two.
 - ii. Varsity dug out rehabilitation (tuck pointing / painting / fencing / lettering?)

1. Thank you to Jeff Shields - Ameristone for crack sealing / tuck pointing (first step done)
 2. School will install a window in concession shed where rollup thing is
 3. JV Dugouts - fencing coming soon – Jim Ramos – American Fencing
- iii. School Projects: sidewalk, infield work (both fields), irrigation install, window in concession stand
- i. Other Committee Reports?
6. Old Business – Updates
 - a. Corporate sponsorship gifts delivered? Maddie has reached out to everyone and has not heard back from anyone. Maddie will send the list of non-delivered and Kurt will get her contact information for drop off.
 - b. Coach Agreement forms. Slow coming in – still waiting on quite a few. Jeff will send out a reminder. Should we use DocuSign? Or Google Form or Jot Form.
 - c. VIP Opportunities (last of them)
 - i. Football Concession Stand / Field clean-up / Batting cage installation
7. New Business
 - a. Catchers Clinic – Jan 7th – Syd Swiggum
 - i. Email to Team Snap Members to save the date / Signup Genius / Cost?/ Details? (see above)
 - b. GameChanger App options– Marc Rhiner: Broadcast coverage at games – you can keep score and video the games, viewers can watch the game using the free app. We would need a device to film (iPad) and a phone or GoPro or Mevo to shoot the game. GameChanger subscription, portable battery charger. Cost would be \$1000 to \$4000 for start up costs. Could we put a line into the concession stand? GameChanger puts highlights out for players which is good for players who are considering playing in college. Could use hotspot or WiFi extender at the school? Tablet recommended to use the app for score keeping, etc. Phone or GoPro for filming? Marc will follow up with a mobile carrier to get more info.
 - c. Reimbursement amount for field work:
 - d. Youth photo idea for spring of 2024 – need chairperson to head this up: Photos in the Spring with Holly Stoenner – opportunity for parents to get photos of their players. Kate will reach out to her. Nicole Johns will send Kate contact information for a couple other options.
 - e. Thank you card from School Board Thank you!
 - f. Donation from Tim Volden through matching funds from his employer Cupertino Electric (Benevity \$194.20)
 - g. Football Concessions – October 13th vs. Portage (\$750 for concession stand): Kate to look at past sign-up genius to send out – get feel for helpers before committing to cotton candy and / or snow cones. Nicole will add a push for remaining VIPers.
 - i. Save the date email – last VIP opportunity / Sign-up Genius / cash box
 - ii. Cotton Candy and/or Snow Cones? - John is not available so someone needs to take on responsibility
8. Next meeting: Monday, October 16 at 7PM at Culvers
9. Adjourn 8:12PM