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# February 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday 2/8/23 (OPEN)

**Time:** 7:30 pm

**Location:** Adams Township Municipal Building

**Board Attendees:**

Larry Fox – President
Brad Schmidt – Vice President of Baseball Operations
Ron Shebek – Assistant VP – In-House Operations
Chuck Palasik – Director of Field Maintenance (ABSENT)
Adam Dunn – Spirit Wear/Sponsorship Coordinator
Shane Malone – Assistant VP – Softball Operations
Sandy Sanderson – Secretary

**Discussion Items:**

**Sandy Sanderson:**

-Baseball DOB Cutoffs – are ours up to date?
-Little League is now using 8/31 vs our 4/31 - some tournaments I've seen use the 8/31. Is this something to keep on our radar for the future? - MBA has aligned with Pony League rules instead of Little League rules because it is viewed as we are competing with AAU teams for players not Little League teams.
-MASD 2022 Field usage/invoices - Need to work with Todd Wearing to determine 2022 past field usage to submit to MASD for accurate invoicing.
-MASD 2023 Field request schedule – Adams 1&2 and Centennial Dirt&Turf have been reserved April 1 to August 1: 8am – 8pm Sat/Sun and 6pm – 8pm Mon-Fri.

**Adam Dunn:**

-Sponsor Update – 33 Sponsors on board, 4 of 6 Dugout sponsors are spoken for.
-Important Dates

**Shane Malone (Softball):**

1. Registration Numbers as of Monday 2/6 - 55 total registration – 61 as of 3/8.

- 15U - 5 girls - 2 eligible to play for 12U - Head Coach Confirmed – Requested that registration remain open longer due to the season not starting till late April.
- 12U - 13 girls - No Head Coach currently unless 15U doesn't happen
- 10U - 18 girls - 2 Head Coaches Confirmed
- 8U - 19 girls - 1 Head Coach Confirmed

2. 7 Registrations have been unpaid

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3. Scheduling Meetings have been scheduled for the following dates:

ALL MEETINGS ARE AT 2342 Wildwood Rd Gibsonia PA 15044

- 8U Friday 3/24 @ 8:00 PM
- 10U Saturday 3/25 @ 7:30 PM
- 12U Saturday 3/25 @ 5:00 PM
- 15U Saturday 4/22 @ 7:00 PM

4. Question on how to set up uniform orders

5. Open floor to Softball questions only.

**Ron Shebek/Sean Ranson:**

-In house registration - Tee Ball – 89, 6U – 45, 7U – 45, 8U – 37, Minor – 69, Bronco – 28, Pony - 7
-Evals update 8U in-house, 8U travel, Minor in-house – 7U – TBD, 8U In House – 3/13, 8U Travel – 3/16, Minor In House – 3/13. At NOS.
-Lights update – New Parks and Rec Director (Brian Perry) is confident Rotary lights will be functional by mid April. Conduit was run on 2/8.

**Priscilla Knieriem:**

1. Who do we use as our domain host? www.marsbaseball.com
2. For the Outlook email : **Marsbaseball@ Hotmail.com**
    a. We need to see whose phone number and email is being used for the recovery/ account change
    b. I am asking that we add email address for more direct questions (see descriptions in Appendix)
    c. **IF** we change Domain, the domain portion on the email would change.
3. I am proposing that we switch over to **Sport Connect** Baseball & Softball Management Made Easy (sportsconnect.com)
    a. Fees:
    b. No fees/ dues until first Transaction
    c. If we have our own domain (see #1) than we can use our same website url
        i. if not we would change our url
            1. If this is the case I recommend that we purchase the Domain: www.MarsbaseballandSoftball.com moving forward.
                1. The above domain is available for purchase
                    1. $2.99 first year
                    2. $19.99 every additional year (need to do more research on this)
                    3. Can also secure www.MarsBaseballandSoftball.org
        ii. Partner Agreement Form: Partner Agreement (stacksports.com)

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4. I am proposing we have the following Social Media accounts as well:
    a. Twitter - We have a twitter that Larry has access to.
    b. Instagram – We do not currently have one.

**Jenn Bauman:**

-OPENING DAY CELEBRATION
-Team photos
-Sponsorships
-Volunteers – Will set up a sign up genius account to gather volunteers from member families.
-Day-only spirit wear design

-SPIRIT WEAR
-Spirit wear store – 2 Stores, Baseball & Softball
-Spirit wear: Design feedback and selections – Attendees gave feedback on their preferences

-MISC
-Miracle League — unfortunately kids need to be 15+ to volunteer with this organization so it wouldn't apply to the community ball teams
-Other ideas for community involvement/charity work/kids clinics, etc?
-Mars Dick's Discount Day – 3/24-3/27 20% off
-Chest Protectors
-Mandatory for all pitchers 10U and under.
-1 provided per team 10U and under.
-Encouraged for all position players 12U and under.
-Treasurer – Eric Schrecengost, Stan Polivka, and Joe Derouin all candidates to fill the role as a team.

**Next Meeting:** Weds 3/8/23 7:30pm - Adams Twp Municipal Building - (OPEN)

**Minutes Submitted by:** Sandy Sanderson - Secretary

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