

ERAGFSA Meeting Minutes August 27, 2007

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by President Brian Lindquist.

Members present included: Brian Lindquist, Steve Baker, Julie Messer, Mary Reak, Jerry Bruns and Stephanie Anderson.

Guest: Al Germscheid

President Lindquist officially invited Al to join the board, and Al accepted the invitation.

A list of questions was generated, to be included in the parent/player survey. Julie will format the survey and send out a rough draft for board members to proofread. After any revisions, Stephanie will copy the survey, make labels, and mail them out.

Our next meeting, Monday, September 17 at 7:00 p.m., will be an open meeting, held in the Elk River High School commons. All families who are members of our association are welcome to attend this meeting, which will include an open forum for parents to voice their concerns, complaints or compliments. We will also be discussing the results of the parent/player surveys. We will bring forward possible names of new boards members (we need an additional 4 members). We will also be clearing out our supply of ER Fastpitch warm-ups at this meeting.

Motion made by Jerry, seconded by Al, to change the name of our association to the Northwest Diamonds, with a possible color scheme of green, black and silver. We will need to open a new bank account under this name and change the name on the account at the post office.

As a fundraiser for the high school fastpitch team, Elk River will be hosting the 14U and 16U fall state qualifier tournaments and the 16U fall state tournament (September 15, 16, 23 and 24). The high school team will be responsible for field prep and any concession stand help not covered by the city. We will sell them the remainder of our inventory of concessions, at cost, to be used at these tournaments. These tournaments will be at no cost to our association.

It was agreed upon that we, as an association, would donate bases, pegs, and anything else necessary to upgrade the Now Then field. The estimate of this cost is less than \$500. If it is more than \$500, it will be brought before the board again for review, before making the donation.

Brian will speak with Jerome re: our taxes and filing an additional extension.
Al will speak with an accountant he knows who is familiar with obtaining non-profit status and bring back any information to our next meeting.

We will plan a future meeting specifically to address our by-laws and the revision of such.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27.