# Meeting Information

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| **Meeting:** | Vortex/A’s Board Meeting |
| **Date | Time:** | August 13, 2019 | 6:30am-8:00am |
| **Location:** | Caribou Coffee: 4754 County Rd 101, Minnetonka, MN 55345 |
| **Virtual Options:** | None |
| **Invitees:** | Mike Carter, Rich Baker, Dan Maus, Jack Thibault, Steve Bartz |
| **Attendees:** | Mike Carter, Rich Baker, Dan Maus, Jack Thibault, Steve Bartz , Richard Gross |
| **Facilitator/Minutes:** | Dan |

# Meeting Objectives

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| **Objective(s)** | **Debrief: Objective Met?** |
| 1. Approve last meeting minutes
 | Yes |
| 1. Align on actions for 2018/2019 budget/payment issues
 | Yes |
| 1. Align on plans for kick-off meeting
 | Yes |
| 1. Develop action plans for fall ball
 | Yes |
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# Agenda

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| **Time** | **Person** | **Item** | **Desired Outcome*****(Inform, Decision, Discuss)*** |
| 6:30 | Dan | Call to order, Review Objectives/Agenda |  |
| 6:40 | Dan | Review of last month’s Meeting Minutes – edit as applicable | Approval to post |
| 6:45 | Dan | Review existing list of Action items | Accountability for actions |
| 6:50 | Rich | Financial issues 2018-2019 Fiscal Year* Discuss remaining families not fully paid
* 18U A’s player payment status
* Approve final 2018-2019 budget & expenses
 | Appropriate decisions made |
| 7:15 | Dan | Finalize plans and actions for kick-off meeting August 26 | Action plan |
| 7:30 | All | Fall Planning* USSSA Registration and Insurance: Mike
* Team Manager Meeting – August 13th: Planned (Dan)
* Fall tournament planning: Dan
* Field Requests: Steve
* Uniforms: Beth Peta & Michelle Reinke
* Team Equipment: Steve
* Coach Apparel: Mike
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| 7:55 |  | Depart |  |

# Decisions

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|  |  | Motion - Who | Second - Who | Vote (favor/ opposed) |
|  | Approve July meeting minutes | Rich | Steve | 4-0 |
|  | Send termination e-mail immediately (Sunday, August 11 at 8:40pm) informing them their partnership with the MN Vortex/A’s has been terminated effective immediately | Rich | Dan | 4-0 (Mike abstained) |
|  | Send e-mail to all MN A’s Rubischko and Prantner assigned players informing them we still want them to be part of the MN Vortex/A’s program as they accepted our offer via e-mail. | Dan | Jack | 4-0 (Mike abstained) |
|  | Approve resignation from Ted Ellefson | Dan | Rich | 4-0 (Jack not present) |
|  | Approve all coaches to receive $15 per diem for out-of-town tournaments | Dan | Rich | 5-0 |

# Assigned Action Items

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| **Task** | **Accountability** | **Due****Date** | **Date Completed** |
| Schedule new Team Manager Meeting – August 13 | Dan | 8/13/19 | Complete |
| Update Vortex website – add “A’s” logo, Vision, and Mission – (logo currently in a Drop Box folder) – move to Google Docs. Work with League Athletics – Work with Beth Peta – Cannot get League Athletics to respond to Beth. Need Mike or Rich to contact them. – Rich sent an e-mail to League Athletics. | Dan | 04/01/19 | In Progress |
| Work with Jim B and Dan R to ensure we collect appropriate costs for 18U A’s team – including covering indirect allocated expenses | Mike | 7/1/19 | In Progress |
| Investigate possible pitching coaches | Jack | 7/21/19 | Open |
| Obtain fields to use for practices & league games for fall | Steve |  | In Progress |
| Schedule next Board Meeting – September 17, 6:30am | Dan |  | Complete |
| Send note to all families to see who is interested in a Board Position – communicate at kick-off meeting in August. | Mike | ~~4/10/19~~8/26/19 | Scheduled |
| Communicate 2019-2020 player/family kick-off meeting for August 26th at 7:00pm at Minnetonka Community Center (part of broader kick-off letter) | Mike | 8/15/19 |  |
| Background Checks | Dan | Ongoing | In Progress |
| Concussion Training | Dan | Ongoing | In Progress |
| Re-evaluate field hours used from PWYSA in the past year | Steve | 9/15/19 |  |
| Discuss approach to donations to CAA vs. City of Chanhassen (Ted and Gerry) | Dan | 8/20/19 |  |
| Ensure we have all helmet sizes for August 26th | Steve | 8/25/19 |  |
| Resource to get photos of all players, coaches, team managers, board members (in uniform) at the kick-off meeting. Annique London? | Steve | 8/20/19 | Complete |
| Send information to Dan for Coach codes at Identity stores for shirts | Mike | 8/15/19 | Complete |
| Provide coaches with Identity store code for t-shirts | Dan | 8/17/19 | Complete |
| Schedule and facilitate a tryout debrief. Include a few interested parents (e.g. Paul Gronholz) that can help next year. | Dan | 9/15/19 |  |

# Meeting Minutes

**Financial Plan for 2018-2019 Fiscal Year**

* Need to finalize proposal for city/association donations for the use of their fields
* Send letters to 18U A’s players from last summer to request payment

**Tournament Scheduling (**[Tournament Status Sheet](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/12_9KyDByWpDbtn4dAwP28pTKtOpRsDUeRWvTKK2JvMc/edit#gid=521904944))

* Preparing for fall tournaments
* S&C Fall Showcase in Lakeville: August 31 and September 1
* USSSA Fall State Tournament in Elk River: October 5/6

**Field Scheduling**

* Loretto generally available Monday – Thursday evenings with exceptions (through October 17)
* Minnetonka field available this week
* Still waiting on Chanhassen response. Dan to work with the City

**General Discussion items**

1. Consider adding an Administrative role to support MN Vortex/A’s Board. Possible roles: uniform coordination, Lexi Tournament scheduling, Field Scheduling, etc.
	1. Pay using some of current Director fees to pay expense.
	2. Person could also work for the following organizations
		1. TC Fastpitch
		2. USSA
		3. TCOS
2. Suggest we hire a pitching coach that has time to support pitchers on all teams. Jack to investigate.
3. Thanks to Ted Ellefson for his years of service on the Vortex Board.

# Parking Lot

Future Meeting Topics: [Reference Annual Calendar](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1djWrj7zQbtcgxR--NFDiPyQwOjRG8EvwANVNb8gdB4Q/edit)