# Meeting Information

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| **Meeting:** | Vortex/A’s Board Meeting |
| **Date | Time:** | July 14, 2020 | 6:30am-8:00am |
| **Location:** | TCOS - 14430 21st Ave N, Plymouth MN 55447 |
| **Virtual Options:** | Google Meets Video/Conference Line Provided |
| **Invitees:** | Mike Carter, Rich Baker, Dan Maus, Jack Thibault, Steve Bartz, Rich Gross, Becky Smith |
| **Attendees:** | Mike Carter, Rich Baker, Dan Maus, Jack Thibault, Steve Bartz, Rich Gross, Becky Smith |
| **Facilitator/Minutes:** | Rich Gross |

# Meeting Objectives

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| **Objective(s)** | **Debrief: Objective Met?** |
| 1. Approve last meeting minutes – June 9 & June 23 Special Session | Yes |
| 1. Align on actions for 2019/2020 budget / payment issues | Yes |
| 1. Align on 18U coach decision | Yes |
| 1. Discuss COVID-19 current impacts | Yes |
| 1. Align on next steps for Lexi Tournament | Yes |
| 1. Finalize roles/responsibilities for Tryouts | Yes |
| 1. Discuss proposal for Virtual Training Tools (Blast Motion & Diamond Kinetics) | Yes |

# Agenda

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| **Time** | **Person** | **Item** | **Desired Outcome**  ***(Inform, Decision, Discuss)*** |
| 6:30 | Rich G | Call to order, Review Objectives/Agenda |  |
| 6:35 | Rich G | Review of last month’s Meeting Minutes – June 9th and June 23rd - edit as applicable | Approval to post |
| 6:40 | Rich G | Review existing list of Action items | Accountability for actions |
| 6:50 | Dan | Review 18U Decision | Determine Follow-ups |
| 7:10 | Rich B | Discuss key financial issues for 2019-2020 | Appropriate decisions made |
| 7:20 | All | COVID-19 – Discuss latest news | Determine Follow-ups |
| 7:30 | Dan | Lexi Tournament Planning – Update | Determine follow-ups |
| 7:40 | Dan | 2020 Tryout Planning | Finalize plan/accountabilities |
| 7:50 | Mike | Review virtual training solutions from Diamond Kinetics & Blast Motion – pricing, timing, implementation, etc. | Determine Follow-ups |
| 8:00 | Rich G | Adjourn |  |

# Decisions

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|  |  | Motion - Who | Second - Who | Vote (favor/ opposed) |
|  | Approve June 09, 2020 meeting minutes | Dan | Mike | Passed |
|  | Approve June 23, 2020 meeting minutes | Mike | Dan | Passed |
|  | Approve June 2020 Financials | Mike | Steve | Passed |
|  | Adjourn | Jack | Steve | Passed |

# Assigned Action Items

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| **Task** | **Accountability** | **Due**  **Date** | **Date Completed** |
| Schedule next Board Meeting - 8/11 | Rich G | 06/09/20 | Complete |
| Investigate possible pitching coaches for our Program | Mike | Ongoing | In Progress |
| Discuss “A’s” name with Dan Rubischko for MN Vortex to maintain the trademark; calls scheduled. | Mike | Ongoing | In Progress |
| MN Vortex/A’s Training Center Expenses | Mike/Dan | 6/9/20 | In Progress |
| Discuss details around virtual team training platforms (Blast Motion / Diamond Kinetics | Nicole/Becky | May | In Progress |
| Draft 2020 Tryout responsibilities | Dan | Jul | Complete |
| Develop Team Manager Registration Policy for next season | Dan | Aug | In Progress |
| Create list of Tryout evaluators and send to Mike | Dan | Aug |  |
| Reach out to Jim L and Mitch Z regarding station helpers | Dan | Aug |  |
| Provide preliminary list of coaches for 2021 | Mike | Aug |  |
| Discussion around a player fee to cover training facility expenses? | Dan | Sep |  |

# Meeting Minutes

**COVID-19**

* Concern with tournaments – continue to review listing if we anticipate any cancellations
* No impact noted at this time

**Financial Discussions**

* Reviewed 7/5 financials email from Rich B
* Reviewed statement of Income & Expenses
* All bills paid

**Lexi Summer Showdown – 8/7 – 8/9**

* Planning meeting Wed, 7/15
* 73 teams – full schedule is posted on USSSA site
* 4 sites secured – Wayzata Elm Creek, Loretto, Hamel & Parkers
* Concessions limited to mostly pre-packaged items; no concessions at Parkers
* Discussed where spectators will sit
* Jack to send Dan COVID protocols used at TTFL tournaments
* Restrooms to be ordered

**Field Scheduling (practices & games)**

* July 2020 practice schedule for all teams posted using Loretto, Chanhassen, Parkers, PMS, & Gilliam

**2020 Tryouts**

* Posted on MN Vortex Website
* Meeting held with coaches & evaluators
* Dan & Becky finalizing station leads
* Field permits are set
* Sign up activity on TeamGenius
* Reviewed responsibilities to ensure we’re on task
* Dan to reach out to previous coaches as evaluators. Working on list to send to Mike
* Becky receiving questions from parents/players regarding who is coaching which teams
  + Mike will list out coaches, but can’t assign to teams yet

**Virtual Team Training Platforms**

* Becky to take lead
* Discussions with Blast Motion have taken place
* Working on a purchase plan for Blast Motion
* Planning a fall/winter roll out
* Financial cost covered with price increase
* Becky working on an implementation plan; should be finalized by September board meeting
* Diamond Kinetics still under review
  + What does it cost?
  + Analyze to see if it will be useful
  + Are we able to share devices?

**MN Vortex/A’s Training Center Expenses**

* Details for winter is complete
* Working on finalizing cost for team practices
* Working on calculating a fair lump sum payment.

**18U Discussion**

* Discussed teams & coaches
* Mike shared his discussion regarding the MN A’s name being associated with a DBA
* Discussed need to have 18s operate the same as the other teams regarding player adds, using TeamGenius and player registration
* Discussed aligning on purchasing uniforms through the same distributor
* Reviewed history around the MN A’s name

**OTHER**

* Tournament Scheduling ([Tournament Status Sheet](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/12_9KyDByWpDbtn4dAwP28pTKtOpRsDUeRWvTKK2JvMc/edit#gid=521904944)): Dan
* Uniforms & Equipment –
* Virtual Training -
* Social Media -

**General Discussion items**

* Hannah Bergh to join club to help with winter training, pitching, coaching and try outs.

# Parking Lot

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