**Vision:** Most admired girls fastpitch club in the upper Midwest.

**Mission:** We provide an uncompromising commitment to developing players on and off the field and knowing that the quality of our coaches and the satisfaction of our teams and families is paramount.

**MINUTES**

**November 9, 2022**

1. **Call to Order**

Amy Kimbler called to order the November meeting of the Minnesota Vortex/A’s Board at 7:03 p.m. on Wednesday, November 9. This meeting was held in person at TCOS.

1. **Roll Call**

Board Members present: Mike Carter, Dan Maus, Jen Arends, Rich Gross, Becky Smith, Amy Kimbler

1. **Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting**

September minutes were sent to the board members for review.

* Dan Maus made a motion to pass the September minutes
* Jen seconded
* All board members in attendance approved the September minutes
* Amy will publish the September minutes to the website

1. **Financial Update**

Rich provided updates on the financials for the organization. As of this meeting date, all coach salary and travel expenses for the fall have been paid out.

The board discussed creating a bank account notation for the Lexi Scholarship fund. As of this meeting, the account balance for the Lexi scholarship fund is approximately $14,000. Rich will set this up with the bank.

The Gertens fundraiser profit was about $5,500. $3,300 for the organization and $1,800 paid out to players. 84 players participated in the fundraiser. The board discussed ways to incentivize players and families to participate next year and will revisit this topic at a future board meeting in the spring.

* Dan made the motion to approve the financials as provided and discussed at the meeting
* Becky seconded
* All board members approved
* Motion passed to approve the financials as reported at the meeting

1. **Old Business**

* Fall Recap and Winter Updates with Coaches

A meeting was held Monday, November 7 at 7 PM at TCOS. There was great coach participation. Dan and Mike presented on DEI as well as a recap of the fall and updates on winter training and hitting. Food was provided.

* Open House at TCOS – Sunday, November 13 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM

(uniform/bags distribution, blast censor and individualized plan pick-up, photos taken, Vikings game, bags tournament)

Discussion notes:

Nicole and Jeff Clapp will organize and set up the uniforms and bags on Saturday.

Sunday, November 13

9:00 AM Set-up

10:30 AM Start time

11-11:30 AM DEI (Dan and Mike)

12 PM Vikings game starts; will be shown on a TV

3:30 PM End time/clean up

Food – Jen

Uniform distribution – Nicole Clapp

Player Development and Blast instructions – Becky

Head shots – Stan

Vikings game – Dan will bring his iPad and cable to hook up to the TV

Bags – Amy, Rich, Becky, and Dan will provide their boards and bags; see if a coach will oversee/run the bags brackets

* + Bags Information – for fun (no prizes); 6 game brackets; sign up when they arrive; first to 21 (can go over);

Becky will send a message to coaches and team managers and let them know we need help with set up at 9 AM, throughout the day, and clean up from 3:30-4 PM.

1. **New Business**

* Sponsorship – Mike has a form example. Will share with the board at the next meeting.
* Heggies – Dan will reach out to Nicole to see if she is interested in running it again.
* Feed My Starving Children, Friday, December 2 – About 50 people currently signed up. We have room for a total of 82 people.

1. **Open Discussion Items**

* Becky – Winter training about ready to go. Spreadsheet will be released next week.
* Amy – Lexi wrap-up meeting will occur on Monday, December 12 at 6 PM at TCOS.

1. **Next Meeting**

Monday, December 12 at 7 PM at TCOS

1. **Closing**

* Amy made the motion to close the meeting
* Becky seconded
* All board members approved
* Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:19 PM.