**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**

**January 16, 2023**

1. **Call to Order**
   * Meeting was called to order at 7:10pm
2. **Roll Call**
   * Board members present: Mike Carter, Dan Maus, Rich Gross, Steve Bartz, Becky Smith
   * Guests present: [Morgan Garbrecht](mailto:morgan-garbrecht@outlook.com) & Jim Leicht
3. **Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting**

December minutes were sent to the board members for review.

* Dan made a motion to pass the minutes from the last meeting.
* Becky seconded.
* All board members in attendance approved the December minutes.
* Amy will publish the minutes to the website.

**IV. Financial Update**

* Treasurer’s Report (Rich G to lead)
* Organization Statement of Activity and Team Activity (with regard to financials) were shared with the board.
* Board discussed ideas for different prices for National teams & ideas and discussed on team’s fundraising.
  + We will decide on next year’s fees in a spring meeting
* Dan made the motion to approve the finances as provided and discussed at the meeting.
* Becky seconded.
* All board members in attendance approved.
* Motion passed.

1. **Old Business**

* Sponsorship Document – Plan to move forward (Becky)
* Heggie’s Fundraiser Update (Dan)
  + Emails went out to Coaches & Team Managers first, then to the entire program.  Sales are underway.
* Upcoming Winter Events (Becky and Mike)
  + Jan 22 This Sunday – 6:00-8:00pm
    1. Nutrition, Health, & taking care of your bodies - Jordan Davies
    2. Mental Training with the Athletes Who Settle for More/So-Connected Team
  + Feb 19th Sunday – College Recruitment Night
    1. This will include a presentation as well as a Q&A panel with current college softball commits, current college players, and college alumni sharing about their recruiting process
       - Jordyn Thomas, Anika Rogers, Karen Balabon, and Carly Stuckmayer will make up the panel
* Lexi Tournament Update
  + Tournament Full – w/waiting list -Committee has been meeting
  + Next year expansion plans/ideas in Mankato
  + Idea to use Shelby’s niece (PA) as a guest player on a 14U team
* Loretto Field Project Update
  + Little bit of work to do in the Spring on finishing dugouts
* Spring Coaching Updates
  + Couple minor changes that we feel comfortable with fill-ins

1. **New Business**

* Introduction of New Business – Looking Forward (Mike C to lead)
  + Consider having measurables of being admired
  + Consider continuing our strategic planning mission
* Board member succession planning (Dan M to lead)
  + Consider documentation to support succession planning
  + Board members to review Dan’s document to approve at next meeting
* Discussion on the direction of the club (Coach Jim L to Lead)
  + Open topics - engaging younger players - attracting new players
    1. Take time next meeting to think of strategic planning to get younger, better players in our program
* Board Membership – Nomination Discussion
  + Steve nominated Morgan to be on the board
  + Steve made a motion to officially add Morgan Garbrecht to the board
  + Dan seconded.
  + All board members present approved.
    1. Becky was Jen’s proxy

1. **Next Meeting**

* Set date
  + Monday, February 13th at 7:00pm at TCOS

1. **Closing**
   * Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Becky, Notetaker

Mike, Secretary

MN Vortex/A’s Board