

MN Vortex/A's Board Meeting



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

February 25, 2024

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 8:03 PM

II. Roll Call

Board members present: Mike Carter, Amy Kimbler, Steve Bartz, Jim Leicht, Scott Peterson, Jon Volling, Reuben Singer

Not present: Becky Sande, Morgan Garbrecht, Rich Gross

III. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

January and February minutes will be sent to the board members for review and approval at next meeting.

IV. Financial Update

February's financial report tabled for review at next meeting.

V. Old Business

● Heggies Fundraiser

The online way of ordering went well. A few pizzas are left to pick up. Slightly less pizzas ordered this year. The pick up went well. Overall a successful fundraiser.

● Winter Training

Approaching the completion of winter training. Good progress has been shown with pitching and hitting. Consider looking at how we offer defensive training and look at ways to make that training better. Before winter training ends, our message to players should be that they challenge themselves this high school season to continue to improve.

● Winter Events Recap

Mental Performance & Nutritional/Health Night – Occurred Sunday, January 28, 6-8 PM
Wisconsin Eau Claire Softball Head Coach, Leslie Huntington
Complete Nutrition, Jordan Davies

This was a great evening of education. The Wisconsin Eau Claire Softball Head Coach, Leslie Huntington's talk was relevant and timely. The board discussed having her back again next year. For a nutritional talk next year, ask her to talk about meals on game day, pre-game day, etc. Discussion occurred as to how we could encourage greater attendance from players at this session next year. The board will discuss this at a future board meeting.

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- **Upcoming Events**

For those players not moving on to play high school ball this year, there are some trainings and scrimmages being planned this spring.

- **St. Louis Park Trainings**

Morgan reported that the St. Louis Park training are going well.

VI. New Business

- **Lexi Tournament – June 14-16**

150 teams plus a wait list

- Fields at Loretto, Wayzata, Brooklyn Park and Coon Rapids
- Buffalo Dance Team has us on the books to help with concessions
- Looking at doing Team check-in on Thursday night. Each team should send a representative to turn in toys, pick up Lexi awards, etc.

- **MN Vortex/A's Apparel Store** (Reuben)

The MN Vortex/A's apparel store will open again soon. Emails will be sent to notify parents/players.

- **Future Softball Plans** (Reuben)

Would like the board and/or team coaches to think about how we can additionally support the players who have strong interests in playing ball in college. What are their options, resources, etc.

- **Developmental Teams** (Scott)

Have wrapped up for the season. Scott will work with Becky to coordinate future softball options with the players. Scott recommended having the developmental teams participate in our fundraisers.

VII. Next Meeting

Sunday, March 24 at 8 PM. This will be a virtual meeting.

VIII. Closing

Steve made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Reuben seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Kimbler
MN Vortex/A's Secretary