

2/23/05 Committee meeting

Members present: Jena McNabb, Denise Hollenbeck, Angie Boeve, Rick Boeve, Amy Daly, Guy Jobgen, Aaron Kitterman, Mike Miles, Maria Allen, Brad Steinlicht, Kris Stevens, John Lefler, Jr., Johnny Heath, Chuck Clark

Guests present: Deb Knutson, Concessions & James Munger, Coke

People are asking for names of committee members, after a short discussion it was decided that members names and a group picture would be placed on the website. Team managers will also get a list of the committee members, the night they play ball and the name of the team they play for at the Spring meeting.

It has also been discussed that maybe there should be a representative for each league, men's and women's divisions.

Some upper 2004 C teams are upset about having to play B in 2005 as it affects them in tournament play. Mike Miles will address this issue at the Spring Meeting.

Jena and Denise will be working on a budget for the Association.

The Lawn Mowing contract will be discussed further at the next meeting as we are still waiting for one bid.

Maria discussed the difference between by-laws and rules. It was agreed that what we have previously referred to as "player by-laws" will now be called "players rules and regulations". Maria is moving forward with the by-laws. When complete they will be available for viewing.

Stealing rule: There will be a vote at the Spring meeting as to whether stealing will continue in the 2005 season. Will also discuss the possibility of a "gentlemen's agreement" at the plate should stealing continue.

A deadline of March 8 has been set to have logo ideas submitted.

Playground equipment is shipping the week of 3/31/05 and should be in Thursday or Friday of that week. Discount Lumber will be donating there time and forklift to unload the equipment. The instructions have been e-mailed to Jena and it appears that we will need an auger to complete this project. Angie is going to see if she can find one to borrow.

The City grant we are applying for requires that we be a 501c3 and we are a 501c4. Jerry Cole, Parks Manager for the City of Rapid City has agreed to accept our application. To become a 501c3 we need to be one of the following: a religious, charitable, or educational organization. We are an adult softball organization, which is classified as recreational.

Johnny Heath from Woody's came tonight to talk about a fundraiser tournament for the playground equipment. He has teams from Gillette and Eagle Butte that are willing to come play as long as the entrance fee is not too high. Johnny is thinking of maybe \$100 - \$150 per team, if umpires will not donate their time and we would host an organized tournament both teams would need to bring \$10 to the plate. He would like to see a 3 and 1 count, or 1 and 1 count and a one-hour time limit no matter what count was started with. There will be no prizes; all money will go to the playground fund. There may, however, be some restaurants that are willing to give some

gift certificates to winning teams. Would like to host this tournament the first part of April. Jena will find out when the snowball tournament that Jim Whitney hosts every year is and we will go from there. The men at the committee meeting have formed a sub-committee to help make this tournament a success.

Other fundraiser ideas that were mentioned:

Krispy Crème donut sale, Papa Murphy's card sale – this is a coupon card that we pay \$1 per card and sell for \$5 per card and 50/50 drawings.

Easter Egg Hunt –

Chucky Cheese will not donate to any organization other than schools; Dairy Queen and Culvers have both said they would help, but we do not know with what at this time; Giggglebees will be donating tokens; Stargate will donate 6 movie tickets; Taco Johns donated 100 taco tokens; Guy is still talking to Wal-Mart about candy; John, Brad, and Tim are working bikes. All responses MUST be in by 3/9/05.

Maria had the hunt posted in the West River Electric magazine.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 9, 2005 @ 6:30 – South Middle School Cafateria. Another committee meeting will be on Wednesday, March 23, 2005 @ 6:30 to set leagues.

Jena suggested that we hold the Spring and Fall meetings at a specific time every year (example: the second Tuesday in April and in October) – this will be discussed further.

Spring meeting will be Tuesday, April 12 @ 7 pm – West Middle School Cafateria.

Player cards will contain the team name, player name, night and division of play. All divisions will have a different color.

Amy inquired about buying the fields instead of the City owning them. This has been tabled until next fall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Angie Boeve,  
RCSA Board Secretary  
& Committee Member