

RCSA Board Meeting

1/23/06

Persons Present: Tim Callahan, Jena McNabb, and Angie Boeve

Guests: Debbie Knutson and Maria Allen

Place: Home of Jena McNabb

Meeting was brought to order by Jena.

Budweiser Meeting

On 1/19 Jena and Angie met with three Budweiser reps at Eagle Distributing. There will be some changes made to the product carried at the fields. We will now carry Bud, Bud Light, Bud Select, 16 oz Bush Light, and O'Doul's from Budweiser; and Coors, Coors Light, MGD, Miller Light, and the Mike's Hard Lemonades from Fisher Beverage. At this time, beer prices will remain the same in 2006. Because of the many different products Debbie would like to have delivery twice per week instead of once. Budweiser also has large coolers on wheels that have a locking cover for \$1000 each; these coolers will hold 800+ cans of product plus ice. Budweiser will let us try one at the beginning of the season as well as during the two State Tournaments to see if we like them. We can put any brand beverage in the coolers.

State Tournament Contracts

Cindy Johnson has reviewed and returned the Women's contract, as she wants 10% of total sales instead of 10% of the gross. Tim is going to meet with her. Subject tabled until after Tim's meeting.

Debbie

Tim looked at moving the small roll up windows from the main concession stand to the small concession stand and bricking in the extra space. The small doors are only about 40 inches wide and there are actually two windows on the North side of the small concession stand. Tim is getting a price to block in the existing windows and put in two new ones.

Port-a-Storage will deliver Debbie's storage trailer on April 17th. This year's storage unit will have a garage door rather than last year's double door.

Maria

After many long discussions with the City and Maria, we have voted to see what Brian Hagg would charge the RCASA to review our lease, bylaws, etc. and to have a Q&A session with the City on our behalf. Jena read a letter from the City and we all reviewed the lease and bylaws. Per John Walker with Ketel Thorstenson, the RCASA is all on the up and up with the Federal Government, Jerry Cole says that a 501C4 can NOT pay its Board. Maria cannot find anything that states a 501C4 can NOT pay its Board. Maria took the letter from the City, Corporation papers, City Lease and Bylaws for further review.

Bids for the Warm-up Areas

Since we will not be getting financial assistance from the City on the Warm up areas Jena contacted the Fence Connection to find out how much it is going to cost us to put in the Warm up areas. - \$9600.00

Bids for fixing the 1st base line fences

Since Fence Connection was already at the Fields Jena asked them to put a bid together for fixing the 1st base line fences. - \$1222.00

Extra packets for all of us

Manager's packets were mailed on 1/20/06

Angie made 65 extra packets

Board members will keep track of whom we give them to

Dakota Sports

Tim will deliver to Dakota Sports and Play It Again Sports

When do we want to put it on the website?

Angie will e-mail all packet information to Mike so he can prepare it for the Website but it is NOT to be posted before 2/1/06. We made this decision so that the managers would have a chance to have the packet in hand before it was available on the Website.

Umpires

Raising funds for them - 50/50 or other ideas

Chuck Clark contacted Jena about raising money to send umpires to National Tournaments and or National Conventions. The Umpires Assoc. wanted to maybe do a 50/50 drawing at the complex; Jena recommends they only do it at tournaments. – The Board agrees.

City Issues

Grant application

We were not allowed to apply for the City Sports grant this year. Our association is a 501 c 4 because we are adult recreational, according to the IRS and Ketel Thorstenson. The Grant application specifically stated that in order to apply for the grant money the organization must be a 501 c 3. Our understanding is that 501 c 3 organizations are youth educational where we are adult recreational. This has been a very frustrating battle with our association and the City of Rapid City.

Watering issues

Jena noticed that the City of Rapid City Water Crew was at the fields the other day. She asked what they might be doing and they would not give her an answer. Jena contacted John Wagner who is the head of the watering division. She asked what they may be doing and he told her that the City is looking at putting a valve on our water so that we would NOT be able to water after the 9AM water probation time. Jena asked if the Association could be put on a separate watering time since we are not able to water from the 6PM to midnight time frame due to having games and he was not willing to change our watering waiver for 2006. He also stated that they probably won't even issue waivers this year due to the lack of moisture. Due to our sprinkler system not ever working properly we are VERY concerned about our complex and the moisture that it is going to get this year.

Gate

The City is looking at putting in a gate to restrict access to the back parking lots during the off season, RCSA would like to see a gate or road blocks at the main entrance as well. Jena left a message for Jerry Cole in regards to the vandalism on the soccer fields and asked that he call her to discuss the gates and roadblocks.

Motion Lights

Scott Clark is working on a quote for motion lights for the main gate and the concession stands. Tim will have Harvey's re-key the door that was broken when the complex was vandalized.

What do we want to do for Spring Projects?

In 2005 we spent approximately \$30,000 on playground equipment and \$8,000 on batters boxes

In 2006 we have spent approximately \$10,000 on leveling and fixing the dugouts

\$1,222 will be spent to fix the 1st base line fences – Fence Connection will start first part of March

The Fence Connection gave a rough bid of \$9,600 to build warm-up areas by fields 1, 5,6 & 7 ~ Tim and Jena will get another set bid. Once an exact size and layout is determined by Tim and Jena he will rebid.

Shelter – Jena spoke to Ron Mills and they are still interested in building a memorial shelter by the playground equipment by fields 6-8. Trusses are in, they will obtain a building permit and would like to start ASAP – Ron will coordinate with Jena.

Retaining walls on fields 1 & 5

Handrails – Tim will get a quote from Jay

Memorial Wall – Jena will meet with Jolene at Vanway Trophies towards the end of Feb., Jolene feels they can put this on the plywood on the main shelter.

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