

CTAA GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY, DEC 11, 2005

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Porter at 7:06pm.

The minutes were distributed and read silently. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Kirk Vaughan and 2nd by Kevin Costello. The minutes were approved.

TREASURER REPORT – WAYNE JOHNSON reported we currently have \$31,516.87 in our regular checking account. We transferred \$20,000 out of the capital into the general account to cover the cost of the sod project. There is now a balance of \$66,745.45 in the Capital account. Dan added that we are currently looking to signs/sponsors to help pay for the sod project.

REGISTRATION – DAN POLLOCK reported that the dates are set for registration. They are January 14, 18 and 21st. He suggested that we have the adult registration at a later date. He is currently looking for volunteers to help work at registration. The forms will be finalized after tonight's decision of fees.

SIGNS & SPONSORS – We are currently looking for a volunteer to coordinate this committee. We now have a business list from the Chamber of Commerce that we are going to use to find more businesses.

CONCESSION – DAN POWELL - NO REPORT

UMPIRES – JOE COENNEN – NO REPORT

COMMUNICATION – JIM MCKINNEY needs the newsletter items prior to the 20th of Dec. The training videos are up and running. We have to date received 200 manager evaluations.

PLAYER/DEVELOPMENT – BOB DILMANN reported that the Diamond registration forms have been sent out. So far, about 6 people have contacted the Diamond since. The program will begin in early February. Joe from Pitt will hold the coaches' clinic for baseball this year. Kevin Greene of the Diamond has made the Silver and Bronze package available for the girls.

FIELD MAINTENANCE – We are currently looking for a volunteer to coordinate this committee. In the meantime, Dan is covering this. The club car and groomer are in for their annual maintenance. The sod project is complete and looks great. If you have not been to the park to see it, it is worth a special trip to do so. We recently spent \$1900 for manual irrigation zone installed at Vet's field.

UNIFORMS – JOE ARGYROS has sent out the bids, and they are do back by the end of the month.

TOURNAMENT – NO REPORT

APPAREL – NO REPORT

BUDGET

It has been suggested that we raise the umpire fee from \$15 plate/\$10 bases to \$20 plate and \$15 bases. It was also suggested that we increase the number of games the manager's need to work go to 3 from 2. The option for them to buy their way out will be allowed. The cost of the new umpire's fees without the manager change will cost us \$4300.00.

After much discussion, the motion was made for the following: Fees will increase to \$20 and \$15; the manager's responsibility will be 2 games without pay, but will be assigned to the team so someone other than the manager can do the two games; the up front umpire money will be short

the two games that manager's are to do. The motion was made by Lou Dimaria, 2nd by Joe Argyros and passed with 3 opposing.

As for uniforms, do we want to spend the \$9,000-\$10,000 to have MLB shirts? It was passed unanimously to keep spend the additional money so the shirts will stay the same as they have been in the past.

It has been suggested that we cage an area up in the coop and keep it locked so not everybody has access to balls, equipment and such. Scott Swanson will be heading up this project.

The discussion turned to registration fees. Wayne suggested a \$5 to \$10 increase. We have not had an increase since 2002. The following fees have been motioned:

Baseball		Softball	
Tball	60	Farm	70
Farm	70	Junior	75
Minor	80	Intermediate	75
Bronco	80	Major	80
Pony	90	Senior	80
Colt	95	Coed	80
Legion	125		

The family maximum will be \$250.00.

The motion was made by Scott and 2nd by Kirk. The motion passed with 3 opposed.

SOFTBALL

Vice President Joe DeCristoforo highlighted the proposed softball rule changes:

No time limit on play off games

Remove the words All-Purpose Field from the rules since we no longer have that field

Junior/Intermediate cannot sit 2 consecutive innings

Junior – pitchers can only pitch 3 innings in regular season – playoffs do not apply

Motion to accept the changes was made by Joe and 2nd by Mike. The motion passed unanimously.

BASEBALL

Anthony Storti reported that Pony International has made their decision to change the cutoff date from July 31st to March 30. We have until 2007 to make it official in our association. The motion was made by Anthony that we grandfather the kids already in the association to make their own choice of staying back or continue to advance up. Any child entering into CTAA as a new member will be required to follow the new cutoff date. Beth 2nd the motion and the motion passed with 3 people opposing. The Federation Baseball Association has also adopted the age change.

We have exciting news concerning our Palomino League. We have hired Coach Bubushi from the SV staff to manage the team this year. With his connections we should have no problem fielding a successful team. These are highly competitive teams that have college and pro scouts attend. The cost of \$500 per child will be defrayed through fund-raisers.

A motion was made by Dan and 2nd by Lou to adjourn.