

**Classie Lassie Monthly Board Meeting Minutes  
October 2017**

**Called To Order:** 6:19 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Rich Backaus, Tricia Greaves, Shelley Cooke, Scott Bidwell, Chris Juneau, Jerry McMeel, Doug Baldrey, Eric Strang, Kristina Gross

**Board Members Not Present:** Carrie Reo

League of Women Voters representative Michelle (need last name) (Representative from the Jr. League) came here to see if there was a way to partner with us to bring awareness to women's/girls sports. Potential ideas would be sponsorship table, volunteering, done in a day event, ages 21 – 80. How do you equal out boys vs. girls sports? The question came up about background checks but we will think about that later. Wellness Incentive Program (WIN).

Kelly Hoff and Kristy Moore both sent resignation letters

2 New People present

Gabriel Benitez – 2 girls on Wildfire team, just observing  
Kristin Kilmer – would like to join the board

**Meeting Minutes Review:** by Shelley Cooke

Motion to accept by: Richard Backaus

2<sup>nd</sup> : Scott Bidwell

Accepted:9    Declined    0

**Treasurer's Report:** by Tricia Greaves

- Electric bill has been high, but hopefully replacing inefficient appliances will help.
- Financially, we are still pretty close to where we were last year:
  - Field of Screams money
  - Fall ball for Travel Teams?
  - Just paid \$7000 for sprinklers
  - Hudson Mohawk money
- Tricia is going on vacation and needs to know who needs \$ for umpires etc. coming up.
- We need to make sure we lock the safe at all times.
- Rich bought a new safe that we will keep larger amounts of money to reduce the probability of theft.
- We will re-key all the locks, and keep a master key available for travel managers who might need access and give them the code to the equipment room lock box that will hold that master key.

- We should also replace the front door to the concession stand.

Motion to accept by: Scott Bidwell

2<sup>nd</sup> : Chris Juneau

7 accepted, 0 rejected, 2 abstained.

**President's Report:** by Rich Backaus

Follow up to minutes:

- Field 3 needs to be leveled prior to the tournaments. Use the dirt that is up there to get that fixed asap. Only 10 days before the first tournament.
- Eric will get the irrigation and other stuff done in November.
- Winterizing the facilities. Need to have the cleanup day prior to winterizing so we have water to clean with.
- Tentative day for cleanup will be Saturday/Sunday Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>- 19<sup>th</sup>.
- We want to get 1 dumpster up there this fall and clean out both garages.
- We need to make sure when we pull down sponsor signs they are labeled and in the concession stand to make it easy to find them.
- We still need to figure out what to do with the wet area on the other side of the pavilion. We need to call someone and get input on a plan and then deal with Kristina and her contacts to get crusher donated and Brian will get equipment etc. Eric will take point on this. He will go through Casale.
- Batting Cage: Jerry would like to see any batting cage covered and we need at least 2 -3. Jerry is doing a 50' x 12' at his house but you don't need the full 12' (you could do 6'). However, considering what we have to do this fall with fields, we probably don't have the money to put into batting cages right now, so we should think about this again in the spring.
- Tricia will clean out the filing cabinet.
- We should also consider putting in pitching lanes on all the fields.
- Gas: They picked up the tank. Will talk about it more in the spring about what we want to do going forward. Maybe we can just get some 5 gal. jugs to fill up on a weekly basis.
- We should look into motion sensors for our lights to reduce our electric costs.
- Tricia now has her debit card.
- Dicks has been in touch with Rich about Dicks HQ: Offer website hosting, registration, scheduling software, game changer. No registration charges/fees on anything. However, we are unsure of future charges etc. Rich made a motion to stay with SI Play, Jerry seconded, all accepted.
- We will look into a \$0 registration for travel and that would make using SI Play easier for travel teams.
- Rich would like to have titles for everyone on the website who are heads of committees or have other significant responsibility.
  - Eric as Field Coordinator
  - Chris Equipment
  - Kristina and Carrie as apparel

- Eric made the motion to make Jerry 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Kristina 2<sup>nd</sup>. 8 approve, 1 abstention.
- Travel Team Costs for Fall ball: Eric makes the motion to charge every travel player \$20 for fall ball, regardless of number of games played. Scott 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. 8 approved, 1 rejected.
- Gym space at GD: Michelle French can do some clinics. **Get info from Eric** 7- 9 on Friday nights. 6 or 8-week session. \$15 per week. Eric will confirm dates and the rest will go to travel teams. Need to accommodate snow days. 24 kids in stations.
- Troy elementary schools may have space available.
- Once we get that scheduled, Doug can post practice times on our website.
- We need to re-write the travel bylaws. We need a second meeting November 18<sup>th</sup> after the cleanup. Rich is making a motion to modify both the travel and rec bylaws and we will do that in November.

Scott: He is running everything down for the year. He is going to try not to order a whole lot if he doesn't need to.

- We have done well in concession this year. Many improvements to the concession stand including the freezers, refrigerators, fryers.
- The inmate came and painted benches and picnic tables and posts of the pavilion.
- Scott will get rid of the old fryer. We can look into scrap metal.
- We need to make sure we are not paying any concession workers over \$599 per year and should talk to the accountant to make sure this is okay.
- Tricia is going to buy a new filing cabinet.

Chris

- No bags have been returned from fall ball yet, but once they are, Chris will see what we might need for spring.
- We need to look into smaller shin-guards for the younger age levels.
- Our Schutt rep isn't very good and it is taking a long time to get equipment.
- Shirts from current vendor haven't been very good quality. We need to look into other options.

Eric

- We are going to sell old equipment
- We should look into getting a mule or utility cart with the money from the equipment we sell.

Jerry

- 14U tournament. 13 teams in it. We will need coverage, 8, 10, 12, 2 and 4 are games. 2 umps for each game.
- Do we want to get a tent and possibly heaters for the games? Rich will talk to True Value and see if we can wait until it gets closer and see if we can get one on a few days' notice. Especially for the later tournaments.
- For the 10/12U tournament 16 teams. 24 games on Saturday. All 10U teams are playing in the morning, 12U in the afternoon. Costume Contest on Saturday.

- Matt is available for 14U tournament, but not the 10U. We will need to hire some teens and make sure to have coverage.

Tricia

- Garbage is up this month. We will be renegotiating the contract.

Jerry's position is up for travel coordinator, Rich made the motion for travel coordinator. Tricia 2<sup>nd</sup>. 8 accepted, 1 abstained.

Motion to vote Kristin Kilmer to the board. 7 yes, 2 abstained.

**Next meeting:** Nov 8

**Meeting Adjourned:** 11:00 p.m.

Accepted x      Declined