

MSA Minutes
September 9, 2008

Present: Beth Barnes, Chris Carl, Brian Wilkie & Craig Slifer

Absent: Bob Averill, Kevin Angstman & Brian Wilkie

Staff: Chad Weir

Guests: 2 High School Students

Meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m.

The meeting opened with Chad welcoming the high school students to the meeting and hoped they would enjoy it.

Brian Wilkie made a motion to approve the minutes from the August meeting. Second by Chris Carl. No discussion. Motion carried.

Chad gave a review of bills and finances. The State tournament held in Marshalltown broke even and included the \$4,700.00 fee paid to ASA. Expenses for the month were \$1752.34 but did not include the ASA fee and revenues were \$7384.02. Craig Slifer made a motion to approve bills and finances. Second by Beth Barnes. Motion carried.

Chad moved on to a summer league update and noted it was fitting to have our summer league season end on a rainy night with a funnel cloud. Overall the leagues went well despite the weather. Chris Carl mentioned the length of time and schedule of the women's games. Chris suggested scheduling every hour and fifteen minutes and still play the games in a hour and five minute time frame. Chad suggested a 1-1 count for the league to keep game moving. Chad mentioned that the hour on the hour is very nice for scheduling purposes but acknowledges the late games are starting and ending later. It was also mentioned the umpires need to help by starting the next game as quickly as possible. The issue will definitely be addressed at the spring league meeting by the women's teams and be voted on at that time. Chad continued to say there were not many negative complaints regarding the leagues. Our tournaments went very and we were blessed with great weather for all of our tournaments. Also next season we will have a 16" no glove league on Tuesday nights to take place of the 16" Tuesday league. This league will happen for sure and we hope to attract more teams to play.

Chris Carl recommended getting a National Tournament logo as quickly as possible as we will start sending information fairly soon. Chad will work on putting together a bid form for the souvenir sales at the National Tournament. Also getting the National ASA booklet for running a national tournament to get started as quickly as possible on planning etc.

There was no old business.

In new business Brian Wilkie had a project for the board to consider. Brian would like to do some upkeep to the current trophy case at the softball complex. He was going to look at sponsors to provide materials and labor and put a plaque in the East section with all of the Iowa ASA 16" Hall of Fame members who are from Marshalltown or have a Marshalltown influence. The board really liked the idea and it was decided to have a dedication ceremony during the Clincher tournament in 2009. Chad also pulled out the past MSA Board members plaque which needs updating. The board decided to put both plaques in the East section. The Angel Family will be contacted to get approval for the project.

Chris Carl made a motion to adjourn at 5:50 p.m. Second by Craig Slifer. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Chad Weir