**HAAA August 2023 Minutes**

August 9, 2023 @ Lilja’s

**Members in attendance:**

* Mount Pleasant, Youngwood, Derry, Sewickley,  Latrobe, West Hempfield, Connellsville, Jeannette, White Oak, Maxwell, Central Hempfield, Rostraver, Southmoreland, Scottdale, Delmont

**Meeting called to order @ 1901 by Mike Leichliter**

**Minutes read by Liz Lee**

**Motion to accept made by Derry and Youngwood**

**Motion approved**

**Treasurer Report:**

* Account balance is $3,683.57
  + Money out to Jeannette for over payment of $34.00
  + Money out to Joe Cohen of $1,700.00
  + Money out to Glenn Hart of $1,200.00
  + Money out for trophies of $3161.99
  + Money in for HAAA fees of $881.00

**Softball Coordinator Report – not present**

* Nothing to report
* Mike Leichliter brought an age chart to the attention of all members. It will be added to the HAAA website for easy access.

**Baseball Coordinator Report**

REMINDER:

\*\*\* All coaches are responsible for the parents and spectators\*\*\*

* Congratulations to
  + Connellsville 14u champions
  + Sewickley 19u Champions
* Executive board voted to terminate the probation period for West Point Baseball (Softball is not included) due to multiple rule violations during playoffs.
* Coaches meeting for both baseball and softball will be held at Hempfield Park Pavilion.
  + Date is 8.27 @ Hempfield Park Pavillion B
    - Time 6pm

**Presidents Report**

* We are looking into new trophies for spring season
* Moving forward, the playoff forfeit policy will change.

**Old Business**

* None
* Reminder:
* Soft ending for fall season will be 10.14.2023
* Softball games will be scheduled via computer for fall
* Rosters/field availabilities are due
  + Baseball – 08.18.2023
  + Softball – 08.25.2023
* Start dates
  + Baseball – 08.28.2023
  + Softball – 09.5.2023

\*\*\*Players have the option to play in the same age bracket as they did Spring 2023 HOWEVER it is HIGHLY recommended that any player old enough to move up to the next age group should do so during the fall due to the developmental nature of fall ball.\*\*\*

**New Business**

* Executive board will now meet at minimum 1x a month (Sunday evening prior to the 2nd Wednesday full members meeting) as needed.
* Board met last week to discuss and vote on implementation of new league software – Arbiter
  + We will pay for this fall and coming spring season as a trial run and will revisit continued use after such time.
  + All umpires regardless of association with an organization **MUST** register as a HAAA official and with Arbiter software
  + There will be 1 admin and 2 sub admins with access

Projections for fall

* Baseball
  + 8u: 10 or 11 teams
  + 10u: 8 or 10 teams
  + 12u: 5-6 teams
  + 14u: 3-4 teams
* Softball
  + 6u: 3 or 4 teams
  + 8u: 8 teams
  + 10u: 11 teams
  + 13u: 9 teams
* Keep fall play as developmental as possible
* Scores will be recorded to Joe Cohen
* Field availability form is on the HAAA website
* 6 week season
* Latrobe Softball may not have full uniforms
  + Girls will dress in school colors
* Motion was made to remove ½ way mark for 8u – 3rd base will remain locked
  + Motion **PASSED**
* Motion made for 10u for baseball and softball to require every player to play at minimum 1 inning on the infield
  + All voted for – none against – motion **PASSED**

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 2021

Next meeting will be September 13 @ 8:00 p.m. @ East Huntington Fire Hall

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