HAAA May 2024 Meeting Minutes

May 8th, 2024 @Liljas

Organizations in Attendance:

Central Hempfield Maxwell Scottdale

Connellsville Mt Pleasant Southmoreland

Delmont PAL West Hempfield

Derry Penn Trafford West Point

Greensburg Rostraver White Oak

Jeannette Sewickley Youngwood

Latrobe

Board Members in Attendance:

President (Leichliter) Sergeant of Arms (Bentz)

Vice President (Booth) Baseball Coordinator (Biondi)

Treasurer (Miller) Softball Coordinator (Miller

Secretary (Vas)

Meeting Called @8:12pm by President Leichliter

Approval of prior meeting minutes – Youngwood/Connellsville

Treasures Report

* 2695.87 starting
* 2,345.87 ending balance
* Pony fees were paid
* Organizations were given HAAA/Pony fees owed – Due by June 12th Meeting to be eligible for playoffs

Presidents Report

* Fall 2024
  + Rosters will be required in the Fall
* Releases
  + Releases are needed for all out of area kids
  + All releases must be emailed to HAAA email (Hempfieldaaabs@gmail.com)
  + Releases are only good for (1) year unless granted prior to 2023 when bylaws were updated
* Recommendation – add elementary school to registration process as a quick look for out of area kids for release purposes
* Coaches issues
  + If any coach other than head coach challenges, umpires have been instructed to toss the coach for the game, If continued violations additional actions will be taken
  + Umps are younger, if they make an incorrect call, please coach them vs. belittle them as we are struggling with getting people
* Make sure we are cancelling umps when cancelling games
  + If Rob Miller (Baseball) or Glenn Hart (Softball) are not notified, home organization is responsible for paying the umpire

Baseball Coordinator

* Rules Clarification
  + Substitution Rule – needs added
    - If kid gets ill or injured during the game, individual will be skipped over without taking an out for his/hers batting position
  + Slide Rule/avoid contact
* Parent/coaches complaints received
  + Please reinforce conduct guidelines to coaches and parents
  + Head coaches are only person that can challenge a call to the umpire
* Baseball Coaches Meeting
  + 14u and 19u – 5/15/2024 @ 8pm – Location - WH pavilion – Location may be moved but will be communicated to organizations.
* 14u/19u Schedules
  + 14u – Schedules released
  + 19u – Schedules to be released by Monday 5/13

Softball Coordinator

* Nothing to report

Old Business

* Wyano Softball contacted about playing in HAAA
  + 8u-15u
* Playoffs locations –
  + Baseball
    - 8u – Southmoreland, Greensburg
    - 10u – Southmoreland, Greensburg
    - 12u –West Hempfield, Sewickley to take Overflow
  + Softball
    - 8u – Greensburg, Sewickley
    - 10u – Youngwood
    - 12u –Maxwell
* Playoff dates
  + Baseball
    - 8u-12u
      * Season End – 6/12
      * Seed Meeting – 6/13
      * Playoff Begin – 6/15
    - 14u
      * Season End – 7/10
      * Seed Meeting – 7/11
      * Playoff Begin – 7/13
    - 19u
      * Season End – 7/17
      * Seed Meeting – 7/18
      * Playoff Begin – 7/20
  + Softball
    - 8u-12u
      * Season End – 6/14
      * Seed Meeting – 6/16
      * Playoff Begin – 6/18
* Rules questions
  + Softball – Leichliter and Miller
  + Baseball – Leichliter and Biondi

New Business

* Looking into adjusting age groups
  + Possible Fall 24 trial
* Fall Ball
  + August 26th Season start
* Confirmation of Umpires
  + Text will not be sent by coordinators
* Cancellations
  + Please cancel with as much advance notice as possible
  + Noted in master schedule with reason for cancellation
* Process of reporting issues at 8u
  + Send controversy to HAAA email address (Hempfieldaaabs@gmail.com)
  + Organizations need to be ensure code of conduct is followed
    - Coaches, Parents as well as Players

Player Releases

* None presented

Next Meeting – June 12th 8pm @ Liljas

Motion to adjourn @ 9:21 – Youngwood/Delmont