

# Minutes for March 2, 2005

## ***Sign in Members:***

The following Board Members signed-in; Tony Harbolt, Mike Paulson, Adam Smith, Pat Perez, Chrystal Southwick, Rob Beamer, James King, John McCallum, James Ford

## ***Leo's Presentation:***

- ~ Bill Robinson from Leo's Photography gave a presentation about their pictures and other products. He also explained to the about how to do the fundraisers.
- ~ *Moved/Seconded/Passed:* To use Leo's Photography as our Photographer
- ~ *Moved/Seconded/Passed:* to use the pictures as a fundraiser by adding the 10% on the cost of the pictures.

## ***Baseball Fair:***

There is a free baseball clinic for anyone between 7 – 18 yrs of age. It is a kind of Punt-Pass-Kick for baseball. The date is unknown, but will be posted on the website. The Board decided to put this information in the coaches' packet.

## ***Mariners/Little League Day:***

Adam Smith reported about Little League Day by the Seattle Mariners. There are four dates set aside between April and June. This information will also become part of the coaches' packet.

## ***Field Bases:***

The Cheney High School softball coach is looking for the bases at Salnave. We may have to purchase our own bases for this year.

## ***Field Use – City of Cheney:***

- ~ Adam Smith has signed a Use Field Agreement with the City of Cheney.
- ~ Moose Field 1 and 2 will be available Monday thru Friday 4:00 to 9:00 PM and Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM from March thru May.
- ~ Salnave Fields 2 and 3 will be available Monday thru Friday 4:00 to 9:00 PM and Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM from March thru July.
- ~ We must schedule around Cheney High School Softball.
- ~ Adam Smith will be going to the Cheney Park's and Recreation meeting to request for permanent fences at the Salnave fields

## ***Field Use – City of Medical Lake:***

- ~ Mike Paulson reported that we must go thru the City of Medical Lake directly for any arrangements for use of the baseball fields.
- ~ Mike also reported that there is a batting cage being constructed at the Dora Bert baseball complex. Mike brought up the possibility of the Board helping with this project and specifically about purchasing and installing the concrete floor.
- ~ The Board decided to Table the Batting cage project until we can see what our registration numbers look like.

**Field Use – City of Medical Lake:**

Adam Smith will check with J.C. Kennedy of Airway Heights Park and Rec. to lock-in times for our use.

**Calendar Update:**

There will be make-up tryouts but no make-up draft.

**Sponsor Updates:**

Several people made reports. We still have to pin done just a few more of the sponsors on the list. Everything is looking very good sponsor wise, especially for Girls Softball.

**Registration:**

So far, compared to last year our numbers are down. Here are the numbers as of March 2, 2005.

	North	South
AA Softball:	10	12
AAA Softball:	6	11
Majors Softball:	2	3
A T-Ball:	17	25
AA Coaches Pitch:	23	40
AAA Baseball:	13	39
Majors Baseball:	35	27
Juniors Baseball:	6	10

- ~ It was discussed by the Board to call former players to see if they are currently registered for this year. The following people took last years players to call;
- ~ Adam Smith took Cheney Majors players
- ~ Rob Beamer took Cheney AA and AAA players
- ~ John McCallum took Cheney A players
- ~ Mike Paulson took Medical Lake AAA players
- ~ Tony Harbolt took Medical Lake Majors players
- ~ Chrystal Southwik took Medical Lake A and AA players

Adam Smith asked to have these calls done by Sunday March 6, 2005, as the deadline for registration is March 15, 05.

**Airway Heights Baseball Complex:**

We have not heard from Airway Heights about the future baseball complex.

***Coaches Meeting:***

- ~ Mike Paulson proposed that West Plains Little League pay for AAA and Majors coaches and 1 assistant per team for "The Warehouse Baseball Clinic".
- ~ *Moved/Seconded/Passed:* to concur with Mike's proposal.
- ~ This will be highly encouraged for those coaches to attend.

***Returning Coaches:***

Mike Paulson reported that we cannot set coaches until we know what our registration numbers look like. We may have too many coaches at this time.

***Opening Day Ceremonies:***

- ~ It was discussed to move Opening Day Ceremonies to a different format for this year so that we can involve A and AA baseball and softball teams.
- ~ It was decided by the Board to get the A and AA teams together as soon as possible and to order hats and uniforms ASAP so that these divisions can be involved with the Opening Day Ceremonies.
- ~ Teams must be set by March 31, 05 for this to happen
- ~ The Board decided to purchase baseball pants for AA baseball.

***Softball Update:***

- ~ Jim King reported about possibly combining age groups so that we can field softball teams.
- ~ Once again we need to wait to see what the final registration numbers are.
- ~ It was agreed by the Board to also purchase baseball pant for AA Softball.
- ~ Jim King will soon give us an update about interplay with Wheatland League.

***Missing Equipment:***

Tony Harbolt has been working on this with little success.

***Tax report/Forms:***

Adam Smith gave a report about the tax exemption letter that we received from Little League HQ. The letter was received in February, and we may end up paying penalties.

***Waterfront Baseball Field:***

Mike Paulson reported that we will not have Waterfront Field in Medical Lake full time as previously reported. Mike reported that we can approach the Medical Lake City Council and make our case for having this field full time.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM**

**Next Meeting March 9, 2005 @ 6:30 PM Medical Lake City Hall**

**Respectfully Submitted by Patrick Perez**