

St. Patrick Athletic Association
8/16/10 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: **Board Members:** Vogel Grote, Monte Hennen, Mandy Sticha, John Jenness, Mike B. Sticha **Other:** Mark Tiede, Bill Dunker, Cyril Simon, Jim DeGross, Paul Montgomery, Mike L. Sticha

Meeting called to order at 7:34 pm

Treasurer/Secretary Report:

As of 8/16/10, the checking account has \$4,432.22 and savings account has \$5,727.24. Mike presented a team by team breakout of expenses and income, as well as year to date expenses and income for the Association.

Old Business:

Shack (concession stand) roof project – complete. New shingles, soffits, and fascia. Extra shingles will be used on dugouts and bathrooms.

New Business:

Season Wrap Up

Midgets are anticipating 3 teams for 2011. Finalizing of coaches and teams will be done in Spring 2011. There are thoughts of using Fish Lake softball fields or Cedar Lake Regional Park fields for practices. Monte will investigate Fish Lake field's expense. Midgets hope to get more home games in 2011 as well. Discussion of having a mat near first base for Midgets and Pee Wee games, perhaps a big turf/carpet cut out. No exact decision made at this time.

Communication/Volunteerism

Discussed ways to improve communication to everyone in the Association. Face to face is best, especially between coaches and players/parents. Handouts to be given to parents or players could help. Email communication amongst Board and coaches works for everyone. Association Website could help as well.

Association Website

Mike has the idea for an Association website, separate from the DRS team site, where we could house information about all of our teams, contact information, calendar for upcoming events and field availability, etc. It would have a web address that we would choose at a later date. Mike's friend is interested in providing a mock-up and creating the site. Initial fee is projected to be around \$175-\$200, and the annual fee would be approximately \$25-\$50.

A motion was made to have him start to build the mock-up and the Board will view it and make further decisions at the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

PA Speakers

Discussed installation of public address speakers on the concession stand, and possibly the backstop. They would be permanent during the summer and removable in the offseason. Would allow for quick preparation for announcing and better sound quality compared to current set-up. A motion was made to have Mike L. Sticha investigate expense and logistics. Motion carried unanimously.

Over 35 Team

Cyril Simon reported there is increased interest in an Over 35 Men's team in St. Patrick, which he envisioned would play an 8-10 game independent league schedule. Bill Dunker would like to see someone take the reins and get the team going, which in the past seems to have been the problem. Some names of possible guys who might be the person to actually do the leg work (not necessarily the team's game day field manager) were discussed. Bill Dunker and Mike B. Sticha offered to help as well. At this time, Cyril will try to identify players and find someone to organize the team, plan a schedule, etc. He will update the Board at future meetings.

Field Clean Up Day

Saturday, September 25 @ 10 am. Back-up date is Sunday, September 26 @ Noon. Roll up windscreen, other TBD projects. Mark Tiede mentioned we could possibly use his skid loader for projects. Mike thought it could be used to eliminate crown in front of home dugout, and to perhaps haul additional ag-lime onto warning track.

Concessions

Mike and Mandy talked about the need for 2 additional used refrigerators for the concession stand in 2011. One is needed due to the fact one existing fridge is dying, and the other would be used to cool extra cases of beer. Everyone is urged to keep their eyes open for anyone looking to get rid of usable units.

Next meeting date will be planned via email, approximately 6 weeks from now.

A motion was made to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.