WBA meeting

Reviewed last meeting notes

New President for Finksburg attended

Charles Carroll Jen has come over to join us

Dave

Registration numbers: around 300; trying to push more this week before late registration numbers; Sending email reminders from WBA, St Johns Basketball and Wildcats

Commissioners: Dan and Chris

Inst: Pat Noone

Min: Jason

Maj: Steve Zulski (Steve P will help too)

Jr: John Mahaffey

Sr: unknown at this time

Fields: Permits have been put in: Have city park, Avondale, winters mill high school (2 travel teams). 13U may need to utilize LB in early season due to high school games still going on

Travel teams are now: 9,11,13 & JV

Waiting on FVE, BC, LB and CCC. May be a meeting with Lisa Carroll and Titans about LB.

FVE1- we will have a place there for 50 and 70ft bases so we have as a backup practice field

Opening Day- April 14th; WAX will not schedule games till noon

Discussed how many games per league and trying to set max numbers to try and follow this year

13-14 going to 90ft diamond idea: dave said a mtg will be had next week about this with Finksburg, Charles Carroll, Sykesville, Hampstead, and Westminster

Talks of possible all-star tournament as well in June-ish for those groups

Sykesville always uses 90ft. field and their age group is wider than normal 13-14

Finksburg is taking smaller kids for 13-14 league very rec based- their opinion is best to stay on 80ft diamond (mostly for pitching distance)

Crazy time of year- commish’s told to reach out if they need help

Goal of BOD is to get out to more games/practices for presence

Maybe another coaches clinic this year- coaches info packet

Rules: Tball-on coach pitch- strictly tee; ok with soft toss at end of year

Inst: rules are being updated- only change is pitching on sats in early time of season

Maj: same rules but will look at kids playing at least 4 innings a game (easier)

Meet the manager night WHS (530-8pm) four nights March 5-8th; commish’s need to decide which nights they want to do

After each night, have a meeting with the respective coaches

Will check sponsors from Stone Alley- Doug followed up on 2/3 of them

SA problem with LL tickets to be paid; error was cut off; will get list figured out and info to doug

Ask if PA beer supplier can deliver beer to us at Links

Bob-

Avondale outfield field replaced and 1st base side

FVE brand new backstops and dougout fencing at all

Netting will have to be installed via a league maintenance day; ordering in a few sections at a time

Umpires: Karey is no longer helping with umpires- she has retired; bob is working it now; we will layer in-house and dave engel at Winfield to cover the minors and majors; will meet next week to talk to Dave

BB&T can be bill pay and PayPal; horizon can schedule and payment all in one for umpires (small fee); maybe a line up card sign off for a pay day at BC or something like that; pop money?

Jason- 59 kids registered- goal to keep at 8 teams

Steve- 3 coaches lined up but have 4 teams- looking for one more head coach

Shane- 13U practicing; first tournament end of march; he will get with john to iron things out; 17 teams in MABA league this year; registered for 2 tournaments will have another end of summer

Wayne- 11u; 2 tournaments this year- hoco and ripken in june; been practicing

Chris- 9U; had a handful of practices; registered for 2 tournaments as well

Field maintenance discussion with coaches (Trinity Pat); figuring out how to do this maybe meet the manager night

New business:

Question about dirt this year; we will look to get a self-help in the fall

Pat and Dave will do a walk-thru on all the fields to get an idea of what we need

Motion to adjourn 834pm