

**Indian Trail Athletic Association  
Board Meeting  
December 9, 2007**

**Called to order by Steve Swoope – 4:15pm**

**Members Present: Aimee Austin, Ronnie Chapman, Brian Bruce, Scooter Marlowe, Doug Chisum, Wendy Fallick, Ronnie Smith, Paula Griffin, Posey Hunter, Steve Swoope, Jason Wiskow, Harrella Whitehead**

**Members Absent: Duke Howell, Ron Reiersen**

**Guests: Pete Doane, Mark Jarvis, Mark Austin, Tom Rose, Toby, Troy, Roger**

**Minutes approved from November meeting: Motion made by Wendy Fallick to approve, Ronnie Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> motion – motion carried.**

**Guest:**

**Pete Doane – Soccer Committee**

- Developing Budget for Soccer
- Micro / Macro Fields are dangerous
- u7 field up front – dangerous – pipe coming out of the ground
- u10 field rotated to close down to be fixed.
- Would like to see temporary lights (included in the budget proposal)
- Spring – needed \$14,000-includes backstop fencing, several truck loads of dirt.
- Possibility of using ITES front fields for a year.
- Pete Doane to speak to Kim Harris re: using fields at ITES
- Need to rent light towers. (2months fall and 2 months spring - \$600+/- per month)
- Line of credit to be used possibly
- Truck load coming – Monday
- Fencing needed – backstop
- Field needs to be graded and seeded NOW\*\*
- Vote in January for remainder of Pete Doane's list
- \$1000 for seed, fertilizer, dirt

**Motion made by Aimee Austin to pay for seed, dirt and fertilizer. Wendy 2<sup>nd</sup> motion – motion carried.**

**Roger –**

- Gator in need of a new clutch
- Ronnie Chapman told him to get it fixed at possible rate of \$500 give or take.

**Tom Rose & Mark Austin –**

- USSSA teams playing Rec. Association
- Too much emphasis on winning needs to change.
- USSSA teams would not work in rec. association games.
- Olde Providence transition year
- Pony League possibilities
- “Southside” baseball = club ball
- Possible Challenge “season” county wide.
- Do we want to expand baseball to offer more competitive baseball?
- Are we missing out if we don’t expand to more competitive?

**CLUB BALL – Brian Bruce**

Southside Club Baseball –

- Travel ball player
- 1 game per week – 10 weeks – 2 prx a week – 1 dozen balls
- 9u – 14u / 3-4 teams per age division
- Start Jan. 1 for sign ups
- Game only package - \$1000
- NOT PROVIDED – travel cost, uniforms, practice times and sites, team insurance
- Sign them up thru ITAA
- Gives them AAU, USSSA, Triple Crown, Pony League affiliations
- Insurance rider needs to be purchased on own – not offered thru ITAA
- Do not qualify for Cal Ripken all – stars.
- Killed OP rec league but \$\$\$ is up at OP overall.
- Age requirements are same as USSSA.
- NO PROMISSORY NOTES available.
- Possible cost = \$150 + \$100 membership – to be paid before tryouts then returned if they do not make the team.
- Most games locally played
- Posey to make up a patch for club ball players
- Club ball sign ups to start before rec.

**-Certification for coaches**

**-If not certified, kids are not qualified to play thru Cal Ripken.**

**-\$25 for certification / online classes offered.**

**VOTES:**

-Softball changing from Little League to County Wide Babe Ruth

-Changes are:

- Softball board
- Ronnie Chapman – Vice President
- Play anywhere within our county
- Inner county sign up allowed – not according to school district.

**Motion made by Posey to go to Babe Ruth Softball, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ronnie Smith – motion carried**

**Motion made by Warren to approve all basketball, cheerleading, and flag football coaches. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Posey – Motion carried.**

**Other information / Important Dates:**

**-Next meeting January 20<sup>th</sup>**

**-Sign ups start 1/1/08**

**-Sign ups close 2/18/08**

**-Online sign ups close 2/16/08**

**-We are having 2 weeks worth of in-house registrations on 2/2/08 & 2/9/08 from 10-2pm**

**-All board members need to be at gym or boardroom on sign up weekends.**

**-Draft Days**

**-Softball – 2/23/08**

**-Baseball – 3/1/08**

**Motion made by Aimee to close the meeting, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendy – motion carried.**

**Meeting closed – 8:25pm**