

RYSA February 11, 2021 Meeting
Via Zoom

Attendees: Reps from CA, EL Sol, GBYSL, HSLI, NNBC, NNSL, NNSR, NS, PW, RA, RC, RM, RN, RR, SB, SF, SL, SRBR, SS, SYFL, and VP

RYSA Board: Brad Betker, Richard Jay, Margo Mee, Steve Bemus, Vicki LaRovere, Chris King and RYSA Admin Stacey Perez...Wade Perry absent.

Meeting start 6:04pm

This is a general membership meeting and request submission for spring fields. Field decision meeting will be held next week, Feb 18th.

- ***Motion by Richard Jay (RYSA) to approve the minutes from the Feb 13, 2020 meeting. Scott Gross (SF) seconded, approved unanimously.***
- All leagues MUST have a representative present for the Field Resolution Meeting. *Lots of conflicts on space so be sure to be there and try to reconcile before.*
- Please use the RYSA Website for league documents - www.renoyouthsports.org

Financial Report:

- The pandemic impacted fee income but we were able to cover all our expenses for 2020 from our account reserves.

Field Report/City Updates:

- Not too much to report with the pause in play.

City Parks Update:

- *Jeff Mann has retired.* Matt Brezina (brezinam@reno.gov) and Jamie Schroeder with the City of Reno spoke.
- Field closures due to weather will typically go out by noon(ish), but be flexible depending on the situation. Also check Facebook and our website for updates.
- Fields:
 - The Swope flat field has been re-opened, good for Spring.
 - Cyan flat fields have been sodded but will delay opening until late April/May.
 - Mayor's Park, large baseball field sodded in Nov, may not open till May.
 - O'Brien fields are gone. County has offered use in the North, contact Matt if you are interested.
 - Opening of fields will be weather dependent...shooting for March 1 but it all depends.
- Be sure to turn lights off after use and keep field areas clean.
- Leagues can do field repairs but must submit requests to Matt prior.
- Locks should be the same as last year, use same keys. If locks need to change, contact Matt. If you use your own locks, be sure the City has access...daisy chain the system.
- Please DO NOT PROP OPEN the restroom doors!
- A light survey will be happening in the next month to ensure working conditions, please let Matt know if you have light issues.
- Diamond leagues should mow their own infields, City will mow outfields.
- One or Two people per league contact Stacey at RYSA on fields...same goes for contacting Matt, be consistent please.

New Business:

- Gary Archie spoke on field use per sport..."fall" sports should not be allotted spring usage in an effort to not overuse the field and visa versa in the fall, no spring team usage.
 - How does this affect Coral Academy which has a high school football team whose sport has been moved to 2/20-4/10 due to the pandemic?
 - Great discussion on both sides, doing our best to protect fields as well as getting kids out of the house and involved in activities.

- Gray Archie (PW) made motion to not allow fall youth sports teams use of fields this spring and same with spring teams in the fall in an effort to not overwhelm fields. Seconded by Richard Jay (RSYA).
- ***After discussion, the motion was revised by Gary to note that “fall” leagues that did not have a spring permit in 2019 should not be allowed to request a permit for spring 2021, Motion passed 14 yea to 7 neh.***
- ***Katina Silver (SYFL) made a motion to reconsider the vote since there was confusion on the vote and it was not tracked properly. Glen Wallin (CA) seconded. Motion failed 15 neh to 5 yea.***
- Still waiting to hear about sports in NV and Directive 34. Gov will be putting info out “soon” on sports. It’s important that everyone follows the NV Dept of Business and Industry for paperwork that must be submitted due to Covid, there is a different process for tournaments...be sure to follow all the guidelines presented by the state. There is more paperwork now in order to get approvals!
 - You will not get a permit and you can not practice till you have a NV Business and Industry approval.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm