

- Additions to agenda:
  - Vice chair
  - Jody Griffin (St. Paul) is stepping away from athletics
    - Courtney John will be taking over for Jody
- Recreation in the heat
  - Burnsville: no heat threshold for adult athletics. Teams can forfeit or
  - Maple Grove: 105F heat index.
    - Followed MN State High School League (102F)
    - Uses index for both youth and adults
  - St. Paul: 105F for both youth and adult
  - Lacelle (tournaments): play and encourage hydration
  - Minneapolis: 105F for youth but nothing for adults
  - SLP: stay hydrated. If you don't feel safe, don't play. They try to make it up.
    - Focus is on umps
  - Burnsville asked about cities watering fields
    - Rosemount not watering infields and might need to not water grass areas
    - Blaine: Complaints from umpires about batters digging
- Umpires
  - Burnsville, Scott Heitkamp
    - Give outs rather than warnings
    - Thinks the players don't understand the magnitude of the shortage
  - SLP, Jim Lombardi:
    - Agrees that the umps that are around accept it
    - Seems to not send out as many ejection letters. Not sure if it is umps controlling the game better, just accepting it, etc.
  - Brooklyn Park, Mike Ramirez:
    - Gives them the ability to kick people out
    - Also sees umpires quit after one year
    - Not offering fall ball due to shortage of teams
  - Blaine, Jermome Kreiger
    - Frustrated about posting on USSSA ump website, 60-70 people look at it, but no one takes the games
    - Thinks umps are playing a game waiting for extra money
    - Used carpet because umpire was late
  - Rosemount
    - Umps working 5-6 nights/week
  - St. Paul, Jody Griffin:
    - Carpet ball leagues. Have used it with success with Seniors
  - Golden Valley, John Stutzman
    - Thinks umps are playing us against each other "Well, this community pays extra for fewer games."
  - Up pay rates
    - Roseville: \$26
    - Brooklyn Park: \$28 to ump, started year at \$26

- Blaine: \$27 to ump
      - 2 game set \$30/game
    - Bloomington: \$29.50 for assignor and ump
    - Golden Valley: \$?? for assignor and ump
- Fall Planning
  - Burnsville fall softball registration opened up 6/14
  - Apple Valley men's volleyball
  - Bags
    - St. Paul starting
    - Golf course runs it in Golden Valley
    - Bars make it tough to run a league in summer
- Back in office?
  - Burnsville July 31
  - SLP June 14, but most were in a few weeks before that
  - Minneapolis: Memorial Day for Rec Centers.
  - St. Paul: Community Centers next week and rest of staff middle of Sept.
  - Golden Valley: City July 6 but most park and rec staff have been back for a month
- Next meeting July 20 in Golden Valley in person. Possibly a hybrid option. Scott wants beer.
- Vice Chair recruitment has been tough. Looking for recommendations. I nominate Scott for a 2<sup>nd</sup> round.
- MRPA
  - Hall of Fame golf tournament has 12 4somes
  - 3 pickleball tournaments in Eagan, Eden Prairie & Maple Grove
  - Holding ERLI this fall
  - Good response to race & equity spring workshop so looking at offering a fall option
  - Annual Conference reminder. There will be a virtual option
  - Website was updated this spring. Working on forums
  - MRPA Awards of Excellence
  - Monitoring legislative session. June 30 deadline