SGSL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

PANTHORN PARK FIELD HOUSE

TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2017 @ 7:30 PM

ATTENDENCE

Members Present	Members Absent	Guests
Konopka, Mike (President)*	Beaupre, Ed	Paul Emmendorfer (1st time)
Carol Pietrowicz (VP)*	Boral, Candice	Scott Comparone (2nd time)
Longo, Dan (Treasurer)*	Rob Davino	Jimmy Paul (2nd time)
McQuatters, Rick (VP)*	Dellavecchia, Dan	
Muro, Bob (Player Agent)*	Ferrante, Jim	
Farr, Peter (Secretary)*	Furniss, Andrew	**Non Active Members**
Cowen, Pete (Player Agent)*	Graziano, Jeff	
	Ierardi, Rich	Biedler, John **
St.John, Jim	Kelly, Dave	D'Andrea, Mike **
Rocha, Mark	Lukanik, Michael	Daniels, Rich **
Matt Kokoska	Michaud, Brian	Falk, Paul **
Dave Kosko	Mason, Glenn	Marotto, Donna **
Arduini, Bob	Mirando, Rick	Olsen, Dean **
Insogna, Dennis	Panarella, Craig	Parks, Ralph **
	Paterson, John	Ricciardi, TJ **
	Picard, Ron	White, Bruce **
	Przybylski, Bruno	White, Michelle **
	Rizza, Carmelo	Decker, Ken
	Rizzuto, Doug	
	Rogers, Kevin (Field Maint.)*	** Membership status unknown
	Sarantides, Amy	
	Sarantides, Jim	Tardif, Frank
	St. Amand, Eric	Valentukonis, Dave
	St. Amand, Nicole	Zaczynsky, Ron
	Wright, Steve (Equip. Mgr.)*	Macala, Paul
	White, Mike	Greco, Vinny
	Zazzaro, John	
	Zesut, Janet	
	Zesut, Bill	

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CALL TO ORDER
President Mike Konopka called the meeting to order at 7:44 p.m. and welcomed all Board members and guests.

SECRETARY'S REPORT
Secretary Peter Farr conducted a silent roll call.

The March Board of Directors meeting minutes were reviewed and approved. Motion to accept was made by Rick McQuatters, 2nd by Mark Rocha. The April Board of Directors meeting minutes were also reviewed and approved. Motion to accept was made by Dennis Insogna, 2nd by Pete Cowen.

TREASURER'S REPORT
Treasurer Dan Longo

Dan reviewed the treasurer's report and year to date numbers with the board including sales captured with deposits and merchandise. Dan also discussed with the board the new flags and banners that will be used help generate revenue for the league.

EQUIPMENT MANAGER'S REPORT
Equipment Manager Steve Wright

Nothing to report.

FIELD MAINTENANCE MANAGER'S REPORT
Field Maintenance Manager Kevin Rogers

Nothing to report.

PLAYER AGENT'S REPORT
Pete Cowen and Bob Muro

Bob Muro stated that there were a total of 365 registrations up until last week (End of April). A brief discussion ensued when Jimmy Paul inquired about the drop in numbers compared to last year and previous years. Jim St. John was able to provide the board with some insight into the decline.

OLD BUSINESS
President Mike Konopka

Mike asked the board for volunteers for several committees including Mother's Day game, Field Day, Food Collection. The league has received quite a lot of verbal commitments for the Mother's Day games. Mike also implored the board to spread the word for each of these events and specifically Field Day as it is anticipated that there will be a lot of participation in this activity.

Fundraising

- The SGSL Program Booklets have been distributed.
- Bertucci's Dining for Dollars- 89 groups or families participated, mostly carry out.
  $2,681.00 sold = $402.00 for SGSL, positive outcome, relatively effortless
- Merchandise order update – rough running the store, not meeting order amount, goal to have orders distributed by Thursday next week., Equipment ordering down from last season.
- 3 or 4 t-shirt sizes of each kind
- Concession purchases decided to go cash only at this time, explore credit card opportunities in the future.
- HARTFORD HAWKS Day – Fantastic day! 20 plus attendees, a great time was had by all

Mobile App/league messaging does not communicate will need to revisit and update.

Mike reminded the board that there are post game review forms available for coaches and umpires. If you get an opportunity use them. They will be helpful for the league.

Some 150 feet of Drainage by Field 6 was completed by Scott Comparone of Landscapes Unlimited and a few volunteers who donated their time, effort and machinery.

NEW BUSINESS
President Mike Konopka

The start to the 2017 SGSL season has been moving along albeit slowly with the constant rain interruptions.

Of note, so far this season we have had two (2) straight accidents involving umpires and softballs to the head. Both involved parties are on the mend and are on the road to quick recoveries.

A brief discussion ensued regarding cancelled games because of not enough umpires. Agreed upon by the board was that if your assigned umpire is unavailable, and a board member cannot step in, then a coach from one of the playing teams needs to step up and umpire the game to get it played.

Reminder – Picture Day is May 13 individual and team details of team times TBD.

Quinnipiac College Softball - Sat, May 6, if available please go always a great time.

Mike Konopka suggested to the board that he would like to bring back some league traditions that have faded away over the recent years….League Recognitions.

In particular, he suggested bringing back Volunteer of the Year and the Presidents Lifetime Achievement Award. A brief discussion ensued on the topic and the suggestions were received favorably by the board.

Scholarships

Jim St. John updated the board as to how the progress was going regarding scholarships. Jim relayed to the board that the new committee has selected three (3) well qualified candidates this year. Two (2) candidates are from Southington High School and one (1) from Mercy High School. They will be announced at each High Schools awards night and will be presented in a ceremony during the 2017 Jewel Classic games on Saturday, June 3, at Panthorn Park. Jim also mentioned he was looking for volunteers for the sponsorship panels on the scoreboard at Field 7.

Other

On another note, Jimmy Paul suggested that as a result of the recent incidents with the injuries to our umpires, the league should supply some type of PPE such as gloves, additional ice packs and a large first aid kit at or near Field 7 or at the upper sheds to assist when these incidents occur. This idea was received favorably by the board. Scott Comparone suggested possibly putting a key pad lock for easy access to the sheds for these incidents. Key pad access will be discussed further at a future time.

Scott Comparone suggested recognizing Umpire Al Rosenberg for all his time and dedication to the league over the years. This well-deserved recognition was received favorably by the board and will be discussed further sometime in the future.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Scott Comparone and Jimmy Paul were voted in unanimously as new board members.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Scott Comparone, 2nd by Jimmy Paul. Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:02 p.m. The next board meeting will be held at Panthorn Park on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Peter Farr (Secretary)