

2015 February EWLL Board Meeting Notes

Participants - Brian, Mike, Jeff, Ken, Chris W., Rick, Tracy, Chris, Wendy, Steve, Tony Tim, Mary, Pat, Steve and Donna

1. Registration

a) Year to Date Numbers (Brian) 59 to date (19 Softball and 40 Baseball)

b) Registration efforts

- E-mail sent to school parents database on 2/11; additional e-mail sent 2/25

- Registration form sent home with K-4 kids on 2/20, Middle school kids will get next week.

- Table at CCD on 2/21

2. Volunteer Forms – If you have not already please complete a form and include SSN + provide copy of license

3. Fundraising

a) Chris Willey to update and give assignments (distributed/discussed); formal letters went out last week of January/first week of February; spreadsheet and sample letter provided; follow up e-mails and/or calls

Note: About \$12k in checking account (finances distributed and discussed)

b) Stop & Shop – might be donating (possibly \$750 but subject to review by NY office)

c) RockCats Fundraiser (Bill Arzt) (sell 150 tickets and raise \$425-\$750 in additional dollars) (note: PTO conducting a similar fundraiser in June; explore partnership?)

c) Other suggestions for events or companies to target? Wendy to explore other areas, e.g., Friendly's, Jakes, etc.

4. Clinics

a) Ongoing – Quick Summary / Baseball (Pat) (7 out of 11 so far) Softball (Tracy) (1/2 sessions completed for pitching clinics; catching clinics starting 3/1)

b) Upcoming

- Baseball 3/7 for AAA / Majors HS gym (Steve) - moved to 3/14 (9-11:00 am)

- Softball 3/14 and 3/21, 2 groups each day, 7-10 and 11 to 14 at HS

- AA and Instructional Baseball 3/22 and 3/28 or 3/29 (being organized by Chris D.) (form going to superintendent for approval; look for template to share with Chris)

5. AAA / Majors Baseball Tryouts on 3/15 = Update (Steve R) (2-5; 2-3:30 majors and 3:30-5:00 AAA; Sports world aka EW Bubble)

6. Softball Tryouts or evaluation plans ? 3/14 and 3/21 on-site clinic evaluations

7. Parents Code of Conduct: Mary H. to lead discussion

Expand to parents, coaches and players (consider blowing up and posting on shack where we can consider having folks sign with sharpies); separately, consider signs for fences reinforcing sportsmanship, etc.

8. Equipment / Field Updates:

- Softball pitching machine purchase: Rick & Tony to lead discussion. Rick to provide estimate to Brian for additional comparison purposes; consider new machine in lieu of fixing existing one

- Shed due to be delivered on 3/27, will probably need to push that date back to assure field work can be done and area is dry.
- Softball uniforms and other equipment needs (Budget provided for Brian's review - see attached e-mail below)
- Baseball uniform and other equipment needs (Ice packs donated; baseballs and softballs donated by Spaulding; t-balls TBD)

9. Umpiring Update – Jeff

Service committed to doing baseball/softball; additional interest from prior college students (last years umpires) and new teen volunteer (perhaps for AA); umpires clinic TBD

10. ASAP Plan & Safety Clinic – Mike

Draft distributed and discussed

2015 plan includes:

Osborne

- Field 3 skinned
- Shed added
- Softball scoreboard

BBES

Farm 1 and Tee 1 skinned in 2014
Tee 2 and Farm 2 not being used in 2015

Other changes in red discussed on page 17, including:

First-Aid Clinic for Coaches (first few weeks of April being explored; perhaps 7:30 PM)

11. Intertown Play

- Baseball: potential meeting next Wednesday with WL for scheduling, including Juniors
- Softball: Nothing to report for now

12. Soccer clinics - try to avoid Thursday/Sundays to permit one practice and game (last year, AAA was T/Th/Sat and Majors was M/W/F)

13. Concessions - consider selling grill and buying new nacho/hotdog/snowcone machines

14. Next Meeting – Wednesday, 3/11 2015, 7:30 PM – Main Street Grille