

## **EW LL November 2014 Board Meeting Agenda**

### **Friday 11/21 – Main Street Grille Pool Room**

**Attendees:** Brian, Jeff, Mike, Pat, Steve, Rick and Ken

#### **Registration:**

1. Open again on 12/1? Yes. Need to make sure our website supplier updates the process for baseball age calculation before opening registration.
2. Increase fees by \$5, \$95 for baseball / softball, \$5 off for online registration and \$200 family maximum. Yes.
3. Review Registration form. Electronic only + hotspot and tables.
4. Signs – Who still has them? I have 3 more that can be installed at houses. 2 for schools and 2 for town locations. Pat will place outside; Mike and Jeff will place outside (new) too.

#### **Fundraising:**

1. S&S Worldwide signed up as a Platinum sponsor for 2015 - \$400
2. Friendly's Fundraiser Night – Friday, December 12th (FB posting too); bring in form to participate.

#### **Equipment:**

1. Bought 8 dozen Spalding Baseballs (cost going up in 2015 about \$10 per dozen from most suppliers, leather shortage); Brian to talk with Tim M. about Softball potential
2. Coaches shirts options \$5.25 each for 72 shirts - 2 material and color options (Steel Gray selected); \$40 set-up, plus shipping (4Imprint) / **Update 11/28 – Found cheaper source with same shirt and order about 72 (ooshirts.com)**
3. Hat option – Champion hat in black with gold embroidery – 250 hats at \$7.09 each (use existing alternative instead of Champion)

**Scout Hall Training Facility Update:** Goal is to have something completed in 5 to 7 years.

#### **Indoor Clinics:**

1. Location / Cost Updates: (Ken/Pat)  
Rebels in South Windsor selected; professionally coached
  - 11 sessions on Friday nights (approximately \$10/kid/session) (9-12 year olds)
  - Minimum 10 and maximum 20 kids (10 gets 1 hour; 15 gets 1 and 1/2 hours)
  - 1/9 through 3/13
  - \$1,650 total (15 kids and 11 sessions) (league half)
  - Need a calendar and rotations; down payment by parents
  - **Update since meeting – Survey was sent to all AA, AAA and Majors parents to see how many were interested in the above clinics. 14 indicated they would be interested and 2 indicated they would not be interested as of 11/28**

2. Free clinics in Gyms? Should we do these? If yes, can someone start working on dates and approvals? Interested but scope out in Winter (Instructional/AA)

### **Field Improvements:**

1. Storage Building - Tony and I met with Klotter Farms. Through Tony's relationship, they are willing to offer us a 25% discount. 12 x 20 – Cape at \$4,039 approved by board. EWLL property but on town land; additional cost for tie-down, stone, etc. Consider insurance.
2. Softball Scoreboard: EWAC has purchased a scoreboard for the field and will have it for us in the spring. Will need to determine what needs to get done to install.
3. Softball Announcer Booth – Will need to review as we get closer to spring to see if we have funds, time and manpower. Approvals have been received from town. Still need to formally file zoning and building permit paperwork.

### **League Discussions:**

1. Age vs Ability - 9-12 tryout for Majors? Or, one year of divisional play before skipping a division? No clear agreement, needed more board members present to take a vote. Vote postponed to a December meeting.
2. Player Call-ups: Should we allow players to be called up to the next level of play as needed? If yes, need to set guidelines for how players are selected, when they can be requested to play, plus how much they should play and what position in the order they should bat. Yes to call-ups. Manager decision with dialog with coach from league down. Should formalize in writing and vote on in December meeting.
3. Team Determinations: Can we set guidelines for how minimum and maximum number of age / ability eligible players for a team? TBD.
4. Majors Baseball – Keep current teams or complete re-draft. Should formalize in writing and vote on in December meeting.
5. All Star Coach Selection: Would like to formalize the process for selecting All Star coaches and assistant coaches. TBD. Vote for All-Star coach, Major drop down or winning coach from AAA? Should formalize in writing and vote on in December meeting.

December Meeting Date? 12/17 (7:30 PM)

Topics for December Meeting? See above.