

**EWLL December 2014  
Board Meeting Notes (from Ken)**

**Attendees - Brian, Steve H., Tony, Ken, Jeff, Chris D., Chris M., Chris W., Tim, Steve R., Mike and Pat**

**Registration:**

- 1. Website is officially open!**
- 2. 5 Signs put up around town, if you have a sign please put it out (done).**
- 3. Need to give paper forms to Park and Rec and send one home with kids in school in late January.**

**Fundraising:**

- 1. Friendly's Fundraiser Night – Was a bust, notification probably went out too late.**
- 2. Kick off of traditional mail (before end of January); phone fundraiser sometime in January?**

**Equipment:**

- 1. Coaches Shirts – Spent about \$419 on shirts. Short Sleeves T-Shirts 4 S, 8 M, 20 L, 26 XL, 12 XXL, 4 XXXL for Coaches. Long Sleeve T-Shirt - 3 L, 4 XL, 1 XXL to sell at \$10 each.**

**Indoor Clinics:**

**Baseball: Rebels in South Windsor selected; professionally coached**

- 11 sessions on Friday nights (6-7 PM), approximately \$10/kid/session, 9-12 year olds, 10 to 20 kids in 1 or 2 groups) (\$55 per person up front)**
- 1/9 through 3/13, \$1,650 total (15 kids and 11 sessions) (league half)**

**Softball: ? Updates, plans or ideas? Fast Pitch option (groups of 4 - \$30 per player); rotating schedule depending upon coach/plan (emphasis upon pitching and catching); equivalent contribution from league (same as baseball)**

**Field Improvements:**

- 1. Storage Building - 12 x 18 Cape ordered. Need to arrange for land to be prepared / levelled. Brian to see if Boutin can do for little or no cost. Will also need crushed stone layer. March timeframe.**

**D8 Update – 3 Volunteers / candidates! Vote on 1/4 or 1/17? President)**

**League Discussions Votes: See separate “Charter Document”**

## **Options -**

**1. Coaching Determinations - Board of Directors approves managers and coaches if more interest than slots available; volunteer application required; reference expectations of coaches (section of rule book) (same approach across league for baseball/softball)**

## **2. Player level determinations -**

**Majors - 11 to 12 (10/baseball 9 with 1 full season of AAA prior experience); rotational opportunities for experienced AAA players**

**AAA - 9 to 10 (8 with full season of prior AA experience); same rotational opportunities for experienced AA players; 11-12 can play AAA (but 12 can't pitch) based upon experience/safety**

**AA - 7 to 8 (6 with full season of prior instructional experience)**

**Instructional - 5 to 6 (4 if parent coaches team)**

**Note: Softball requirements to be built out separately.**

## **3. Team Selections -**

### **a. Number of players -**

**Majors - 12-15 players are allowed by LL rules (goal is 12 per team)**

**AAA - 11-12 players**

**AA - 10-12 players**

**Instructional - 7-9 players (coach dependent)**

**Note: Softball requirements to be built out separately**

**b. Parent/Coach Conflicts - prior incident/documentated issue required; parent can't dictate placement of player**

### **C. Draft approach -**

**Majors - goal is to keep players together but assess competitive balance of teams after tryouts; if lack of balance, then TBD number of picks for weaker team; discrepancies to be resolved by remaining board members (not impacted coaches)**

**AAA - full re-draft**

**Next Meeting Date: Wed. January 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:30 PM at Main Street Grille**

**Topics for Next Meeting: ? Sponsors plus continue dialog around by-laws**