

HEBRON YOUTH BASEBALL

Date: Jan 23, 2013

Start: 6:07 pm

Attendance: Steve Turco/Bob Fitzgerald/Vin Colonna/Chris Caputo/Rob Sullivan/Jim Wawruck/Bob Fraleigh

*Acceptance of minutes from previous meeting

Agenda Items:

- 1) **Financial Update** – Rob opened discussion regarding using a new credit card company. SAGE is current/ he believes we can save \$300-\$400 with new company
 - Interest in having “Swipe” feature that accepts credit cards through mobile phones [good for concessions/fundraising etc.]
 - CD not going to be renewed [30k]
 - Concern about purchasing power [not much \$\$ currently in account] but once registration begins \$\$ can be used instantaneously.
- 2) **Fundraising** - Vinnie presented a spreadsheet comparing several different types of Insurance. Motive was that Cal Ripken’s policy is expensive.
 - Current plan we pay \$3663.00/ includes a 2 million dollar liability. Vinnie recommended going with same company K&K but the second tier. Basically the same coverage but drops liability down to 1 million.
 - Savings would be significant [ballpark of \$800]
 - Motion was made to accept and was approved by the board.
 - Plan is to pay for base coverage now, and then add D&O at a later date before season begins.
 - Sponsor database being worked on, but difficult with our website
 - Lion’s Club – offered to do a dinner for us. We sell the tickets, work the event, and keep proceeds. Great idea – Steve suggested doing it the Friday night before opening day to foster enthusiasm for opening day. Date would be April 26th.
- 3) **Website** - New design. Looks cleaner. Easier to navigate. Content has been updated.
 - Domain name is **Hebronyouthbaseball.org**
 - All board will soon have access.
 - Bob Fral/Chris Turco/Chris Cowles meeting to keep improving it.
- 4) **Logo** - 3 diff colors: One that appealed the most was the maroon background/white wording/gold highlights [we want to change gold to silver grey] – Jim W.

AOB:

-St. Pete’s: willing to work with us if we want to modify/upgrade the field.

-Standing Rules: Several families have inquired about having their son play a second year on the 70 foot field even though they are age 13. Baseball “13” kids have to go to TriCounty. Our Charter won’t allow it.

-Tournament Rules: we need to revisit the way it is worded and clarify. Some people misunderstood last season.

-News release about Andover & Hebron joining [Bob Fraleigh/Sandy Nichols]

-Open Registration Date Feb 9th at Gilead from 9-1 pm

PARKS & REC MEETING: RICH CALARCO

- Better communication is needed
- We need to send him all schedules of all games in advance
- We need to a better job as a league in garbage pick up
- We have to remember to lock gates when leaving
- Scoreboard batteries – they removed them and stored them but didn’t do it in time. Batteries might be ruined.

- He suggested a work weekend [coaches help take care of fields]
- In spring, he is willing to train coaches/league chairs in field maintenance.

*Dugouts/Bleachers/Power at Burnt Hill – all within the realm of possibility for us to have.

Dugouts – estimated \$500-\$1,000 each [This year??? – depending on where we host]

- Suggested full infield tarps [\$1,189 for 90ft x 90ft]

*Dan Grabowski – liaison to Rich.

*Park and Rec has plans to make St. Pete's a 90 foot field.

*Vets field is going to be fixed due to terrible drainage issues from pitcher's mound to the home plate/first base. Fence at Vets could be moved 20 feet back if needed for tournaments.

Meeting adjourned: 9:15 pm