

Alexandria Little League (A.L.L.)

Regular Board Meeting

April 15, 2013

Lee Center, Alexandria, VA

Minutes

In Attendance:

Attending: Merrill Biesada, Dave Cheney, Sterling Gilliam, Marc Leon, Brian Morris, Melissa Schultz, Pete Biesada, Morgan Broman, Steve Cann, Amy Goodrich, Debbi Kelly, Pam Murphy, Paul Miller, LaRae Narkinsky, David Osinski, Mac Slover

Agenda item #1: Call to Order

Mr. Sterling Gilliam, as President, called the meeting to order at 19:00.

Agenda item #2: Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on March 18th, 2013 were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Agenda item #3: President's Comments

The President commented on the "glorious" opening day ceremony, recognizing LaRae Narkinsky & Bill Tabor for all their hard work as well as all other volunteers. It was suggested that we look for someone to sing the National Anthem for next year. It was also suggested that we investigate a new photography company for next year.

The President also apprised the BOD of a verbal exchange between a parent and an adult umpire and its resolution. Mac Slover made the point that the city needs to know if any spectators or managers are ever suspended.

A Proof of Residency Committee was formed. The members of this committee are comprised of: Merrill Biesada and Dave Cheney and will investigate how ALL makes sure that all participants meet the residency requirements.

Agenda item #4: Calendar Review

Action for the Board:

Include the ALL Fundraising Parent Social on Saturday June 8, 2013

Move Championship Games to Sunday June 9, 2013

Agenda item #5: Report of March 8, 2013 YSAB Meeting

Mac Slover reported on the YSAB meeting:

- New lights are up and working at Big Simpson
- Restrooms are open

Mac Slover, Steve Cann and Sterling Gilliam met regarding field maintenance issues:

- Brenman 3rd base hub is broken
- WD40 lock on 1st base line of Little Simpson
- Get sandbags for tarps at Brenman
- Steve to provide Mac with bulleted field issues

Agenda item #6: Opening Day Ceremony

President's comments were reiterated.

Agenda item #7: Fields Committee (Stevenson and Adams Issues)

Mac Slover will schedule delivery of porta johns to Adams field and send bill to Merrill Biesada. Discussion of whether one should be installed at Stevenson.

Amy Goodrich will purchase new bases for Stevenson and get equipment box for Stevenson.

Agenda item #8: Season Start Up Lessons Learned

Discussion led by Pete Biesada regarding a team using the batting cages at Little Simpson while a game is in progress. It was decided that if the teams that are playing the game are distracted by another team using the batting cages the teams playing have the right to ask the practicing team to cease.

Board Action:

- Update coach's corner on website, field guidelines and call-up guidelines
- Bill Tabor will forward field guide made last year to Sterling Gilliam who will update it
- Add a Scheduling Position to the Board for next year

Commissioners Action:

- Build call-up rosters
- Reiterate punctuality among managers and players as well as wearing correct uniform with shirts tucked in

Agenda item #9: Sponsorship Update

There was a discussion of putting paid "parental ads" in the annual program. This idea was dismissed because of the amount of time it would take to implement. It was commented that the idea needs a "champion" who is willing to spend a considerable amount of time making this idea viable.

A.A. Beiro has given ALL additional money that will be used for a fall ball team and community outreach.

Agenda item #10: Gala Update

Pam Murphy provided an update of the progress of the ALL Parent Social. It will be a casual event with a silent auction, raffle baskets, food & drink.

Agenda item #11: Merchandise sales Report

Debbi Kelly informed the BOD that merchandise sales during Opening Day came to \$1,700.

Agenda item #12: All-Star Manager Selection Committee

An All-Star Manager Selection Committee was formed. The members of this committee are: Sterling Gilliam, Dave Cheney, Brian Morris, David Osinski and Melissa Schultz

Agenda item #13: Juniors Local Rules

A motion to use continuous batting order in Juniors was carried by unanimous voice vote.

A motion to keep Junior's local rules from last year was carried by unanimous voice vote.

Agenda item #14: Treasurer's Report

Merrill Biesada provided a treasurer's report, which included a discussion of umpire pay.

Agenda item #15: Summer Baseball Consideration

Paul Miller would like to do an informal, pick-up baseball summer league. Paul and Brian Narkinsky will form a committee and provide a proposal to the BOD.

Date of next meeting agreed as May 20, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 20:59.

Submitted by:

Melissa Schultz

Acting ALL Board Secretary