

Alexandria Little League (A.L.L.)

Regular Board Meeting

September 16, 2013

Lee Center, Alexandria, VA

Minutes

Agenda item #1: Call to Order

Mr. Sterling Gilliam, as President, called the meeting to order at 19:02.

Agenda item #2: Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on July 23, 2013 were approved by unanimous voice vote. It was reminded that the Webmaster should post all approved minutes on the website for review by the community.

Agenda item #3: President's Comments

The President's comments focused on the fact that over the next month there needs to be a focus on the upcoming Annual Meeting. Also need to focus to ensure that fall ball is squared away and that the board is setting conditions for a successful Spring season. The President thanked the league commissioners for their time and hard work in launching the fall baseball season.

Agenda item #4: YSAB Meeting

Mac Slover informed the BOD that the last 2 YSAB meetings have been canceled.

It was proposed that we work toward making Boothe a multi-use skinned field to maximize its potential for all users. Marc Leon offered suggestions on how to make Boothe an all sport field. Mac informed the BOD that the dugouts at Boothe will be upgraded before the spring season.

It was suggested that Stevenson needs a total overhaul.

Mac suggested that the BOD compile a list of suggestions that ALL has to improve existing fields and suggestions for new fields and present it formally at a meeting with the park planning staff. Steve Cann was tasked with creating a formal proposal with input from the fields committee to facilitate a meeting with the city's park planning committee.

Agenda item #5: Fall Baseball Update

It was reported that the fall season is underway. District 4 has sent ALL the local rules. Motion was made and approved unanimously to adopt District 4 local rules with the addition of a 5 run maximum for the Major division.

Pete Biesada started a discussion about lining the fields for weekend games when the city's staff is not operational. Amy Goodrich will purchase equipment so that each manager who plays on the weekend can, at the least, make a batters box on the field.

The BOD made an adjustment to the budget in order to incorporate cost for practice and game balls. Commissioners need to ask managers from spring to return equipment. It was noted that a lot of equipment is still unaccounted for.

Commissioners were asked to remind managers:

- 1) Treatment of new Brenman dugouts (no sitting on gates, etc)
- 2) Need to return complete equipment bags at end of season
- 3) Pick up uniforms
- 4) Managers must wear proper uniforms when on the field, ie ALL shirt & hat
- 5) Must have an AGC available when there are no adult umpers on the field

Agenda item #6: Umpire Update

Dave Osinski reported that ALL has lost a number of seasoned umpires but have gained a number of rookie and ten umpires. There is a need to recruit more umpires for spring.

Agenda item #7: 2013 Spring Survey Results Discussion

Discussion regarding whether there should be a survey after the completion of the fall season. Merrill Biesada was tasked with creating FAQs to be posted on the website.

Agenda item #8: 2013-2014 Board and Officer Nomination Committee Discussion

Solicitation for future BOD members is posted on the website. Recommendations for board members were encouraged from current BOD members.

Agenda item #9: Annual Meeting Preparation Discussion

Agenda item #10: Sponsorship Update

Team sponsor banners were hung at Little Simpson. It was reported by Scott Fox that Pinpoint Media and Motely Fool are interested in sponsoring teams and need to be followed up with in spring.

Agenda item #11: Treasurer's Report

Merrill Biesada provided a treasurer's report.

Date of next meeting agreed as October 21, 2013.
Meeting adjourned at 20:35.

Submitted by:
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ALL VP