

**Rocky Hill Little League
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Annual Meeting January 9, 2017**

Board Members not in Attendance

J. Bates M. Castagno F. Guerrera J. Myers G. Plona D. Sevigny
P. Vanturas

❖ Meeting called to order by S. Boyle at 7:02 pm EST

Minutes review

Motion to approve December 2016 minutes made by P. Robb, 2nd by D. Hamann. All approved.
R. Lawrence abstained. Motion passed. December 2016 minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report

The 2016 season's fundraising helped offset expenses and costs. To help manage the 2017 budget and expenses for the upcoming season, all funds or payments need to be approved by S. Boyle, D. Hamann, or G. Drapeau. Motion to approve Treasurer's report made by F. Turner, 2nd by D. Hamann. All approved

Apparel

For the upcoming season, RHLL will be using a new vendor (Billing's Sports) for jerseys. Associated costs: Majors \$18 (last year was \$26), AAA \$16. RHLL will not order any new merchandise for resale (will focus on exhausting existing inventory first)

Equipment A. Perna

- Met with Dick's sporting goods about their annual donation of baseballs and helmets. Follow up needed regarding their \$500 donation for raffle prize.
- Challenger division will need to order 6 helmets, nylon softballs, and 3 bats for the upcoming season
- A. Perna will do an itemized inventory of the RHLL shed

Baseball F. Turner

Discussion of Clinic sign-ups:

- Pitching Clinic for AAA and Majors eligible: (10 have currently signed-up) RHLL will reduce the clinic from 2 sessions to 1 session because of the low turnout.
- Wiffle Ball: 28 kids have currently signed up (This program is for Pre-k kids and is held at West Hill gym. The clinic is intended for kids who played T-ball rookie last season. The clinic began on 01/07.
- A/AA- Fielding Clinic: This will be held in February at West Hill gym (begins on 02/04).
- Hitting Clinic: 17 out of 54 available slots have been filled. This will be held at ATI in Cromwell at the end of February.
- AAA/Managers - Fielding Clinic: Held at West Hill gym starting 03/02. 10 have signed up.
- Softball Pitching Clinic: Being held at West Hill on Saturday mornings following Wiffle Ball. Currently 5 girls participating. Reaching out to Cromwell Little League to fill open slots.

Current Overall Registration: 25 girls and 71 boys

Umpire update K. Demarest

- 11 umpires have signed up for the upcoming season
- RHLL is looking for a date for umpire training
- RHLL will contact the Hartford Board for umpires

Sponsorships C. Baldwin

- J. Simons will assist C. Baldwin with acquiring sponsors
- New pricing changes for upcoming season
 - Team sponsorships will increase by \$50
 - Billboards signs will increase by \$50
- Currently there are two open spots for billboards at Dimauro, 15 at Vicino and all slots available at Miracle

Motion to approve increase changes for sponsorships made by A. Holzmilller. 2nd by K. Demarest.
All approved.

Recent meetings were held by AAA committee and All-star selection committee. These proposed changes will be emailed prior to the February BOD meeting and discussed at that time.

Challenger Division T. Cosker

- Registration is currently open and will remain open throughout the season. If the registration numbers are high enough, may need to give consideration to creating a 2nd team.
- Home games this season will be on Saturday mornings
- Bleachers are on order for Miracle Field
- Looking to add a Jamboree in Rocky Hill (possibly 06/10). This will require the use of an addition field – possibly Dimauro or Vicino.
- A grant is being written to hopefully allow the purchase of a sound system at Miracle Field

Opening Day Fundraising Packets and Scheduling P. Robb

- Board is being asked to solicit local restaurants, businesses, etc... for additional raffle prizes
- RHLL needs to check the dates for upcoming concerts, plays, etc... to ensure no scheduling conflicts

Future Scheduled Meetings

February 06, 2017 7-9pm

March 06, 2017 7-9pm

❖ Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm EST

M. Centurelli and M. Castagno
RHLL
01/09/2017