

Exton Little League – Board Minutes – 1/6/14

Date/Place: January 6, 2014 – Holiday Inn Express – Pottstown Pike
Exton PA

Meeting started: 08:00 PM by Bob Herman

Attendance

Members Present:

Bob Herman—President-

Terry Campbell-- Vice President

Dave Stevenson-- Vice President of Baseball

Russ Hartz-- Vice President of Softball

Vince Burke--

Treasurer

Mike Scalea-- Asst VP of Softball

Tim Fredricks-- Asst VP of Baseball

Mike Dowger—Field Manager Baseball

Jim McMonagle-- Field Manager Baseball

Carolyn Dowger-- Secretary

Greg Pfeifer-- Webmaster

Marcia Wileczek-- Director of Community Outreach

Tom Pitt-- Vice President of Community Relations/Communications

Members Absent:

Eric Longenecker-- Vice President of Field Operations

Tom Pitt-- Vice President of Community Relations/Communications

Mark Ronayne-- Field Manager Softball

Greg Espenshade-- Field Manager Softball

Jeff Bennett-- Director of Player Development

Mike Macri-- Director of Umpires

Approval of minutes

* none

Agenda items

Introductions by Bob Herman

Presentation – Carolyn D. – Non Profit best practices and recommendations for ELL – Listed here are the recommendations for consideration :

1. Modify by-laws
 - a. Regular members vote for Board members and officers vs appointment
 - b. Remove the statement that the president to be in attendance at all meetings
 - c. Discipline or removal of a Board member will be handled by the Board vs the President alone
 - d. Add a grievance policy.
2. Follow by-laws in the following areas:
 - a. All members must register annually
 - b. Communications to members regarding meetings should be followed
 - c. Hold Board meeting Monthly
 - d. All league decision made by the Board
 - e. VP fields – create a field budget
 - f. VP finance – follow rules outlined for financial reviews . Specifically the financial reviews a the February and September meetings.
 - g. Minutes will be posted on the website

Discussions followed. Bob noted that the recommendations would be addressed in the February Executive Board Meeting.

Meeting schedule - Tom Pitt offered a meeting room for the league to use - Exton Nights of Columbus – Old Phoenixville Pike.

Board meetings scheduled.

Feb -Wed 2/19

Mar – Tues 3/25

Member meeting – A date for an all member meeting will be announced before February's meeting.

Financial update – Bob - Bob noted that Vince will give a financial update in the February meeting. Bob will forward the 2011 990 tax return to the attendees.

Baseball update - Dave –. Committees to address rules, volunteering for summer Tournaments, Parent feedback, field and other improvements, tournaments and travel ball. Goal is to have these in place by 2/15. Player development, coaching development, equipment inventory.

Dates:

- 2/4 – Coaching interviews
- 3/2 – Player evaluations
- 3/3 – Drafts
- 4/5, 6 or 13 – Opening day
- 6/8– Home run Derby

Fields – Exton Station has been skinned, Boot road may be added to the inventory of fields (5 hrs per week).

Softball update – Russ – Division directors will be appointed . Plans to create 1 committee to handle travel teams and other Softball issues. Batting cage will be added to Manor. Request for a pitching is requested. Draining work at Manor field along first base line is planned. Mark and Greg have plans for this., new safety base. Field liner for Manor. Snack bar coordinator a Manor is needed.

Clinics started - 8 week Pierce middle school

Coaching interviews – end of Jan,

2/16 player evaluations

3/3 – 3/10 – First night of practices

3/31 – 4/3 – First games

Field update – Terry Campbell

- ship road field work in progress & rework needed on drainage on Ship 1.
- Electric will be run to the equipment side shed and batting cages
- Kim Griffin has access to a Smithco field rake machine for long term use on a complimentary basis.
- Clean up and repaint of brick walls at Ship road park.

Community relations update – Tom - Goal is to be more visible in both Ship or Manor. He will be a liaison between the members and the Board.

Registration numbers -154 total registered to date – 107 baseball, 47 softball. If you have ideas for reaching out to community to advertise for new members reach out to Marcia.

“Challenger day” – Marcia - Marcia is working on getting this organized and is looking for help.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:00 PM by Bob Herman

Minutes prepared by : Carolyn Dowger