

DBYS MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
April 12th, 2011

The 2011 DBYS April monthly meeting was held on Tuesday, April 12th, 2011, beginning at 8:00 PM, in the Community Room of the Villas at Morlatton. All DBYS Board members were present and include: *Dean Dinnocenti, Ben Marchese, John Piccarreta, Camille Hayes, Lisa Miller, Brian DeMild and Matt Huddleson.*

League members/guests also in attendance included: *Tom Cote, Bob Bridegam, Wayne Dotterweich, Tim Willman, Jim Stein, Matt DePaul, Tom Beck, Mike Andre, Steve Williams, Steve Garman, John Scherzer, Mike Pence, John DeFusco and Brian Kazmorck.*

Call To Order: President Dean Dinnocenti called the meeting to order at 8:03 PM.

Secretary's Report: Tom Cote made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the March 2011 meeting. Mike Andre seconded the motion. All meeting minutes can be found online at: www.DBYS.org.

President's Report: Dean Dinnocenti reminded everyone that our 1st Annual DBYS golf outing is scheduled for Friday, May 13th at Arrowhead Golf Course. He stressed that, to date, only three foursomes were registered and that we need people to come play. Information and the registration form is located on our website.

Dean also thanked all the folks who came out on Field Clean Up Day to lend a hand. He added that it was probably the biggest turnout of support we'd ever had.

Mike Pence asked when the electrical outlet boxes at the Township field would be fixed. Camille Hayes offered to follow-up with Norm and Amity Electric and make sure the outlets were fixed for the first week of games.

Dean advised that over \$7,000 was invested into new equipment so far this season and asked that everyone please let him know whenever things are needed. Brian DeMild added that we will need to get smaller helmets and better bats for the Rookie and 8U Softball programs for next year. Steve Williams suggested a "bat donation" – indicating that many players have good, gently used bats that they simply grew out of. He suggested the donated bats be passed down to younger players. Camille will send a league notice regarding "bat donations" and ask folks to bring to the fields on Opening Day.

Thanks to Fred Wookey for offering to get a battery for the tractor at the T-Ball fields. All other tractors have been serviced and should be in good working order.

Vice President's Report: Ben Marchese reported that this is the last full week of practice for all teams and that games begin on Monday (for Minors and Majors). He indicated that once games begin, the practice schedule no longer remains the same. Cage time will be available and Jeff Goodrich and Greg Whelan will coordinate a schedule for Majors and Minors teams.

Treasurer's Report:

Brian DeMild presented the following Treasurer's report (*as of March 31, 2011*)

Checking Account:	\$ 55,046.45
Money Market Account:	\$ 6,979.70
Petty Cash:	\$ 312.00
Total Bank Acct Bal:	\$ 62,338.15

Brian reported that about \$15,000 in bills will be paid in the next few weeks (uniforms, snack bar fulfillment, etc.). He also walked everyone through the new process for paying umpires – something he already communicated to Russ Shaner. Prior to the game, all umpires will pick up a slip from the field's snack bar. After the game, the slip must be signed by the umpire in order to be paid. Envelopes with umpire fees will be kept in cash boxes at each field's snack bar.

Brian also reported that our new on-line system allows us to track outstanding registration fees. He advised that in the next week or so, he'll be running a report that will provide him a list of all players who have not yet paid. He will send a friendly reminder asking for payment. If payment is not made within (a set) and timely manner, players in unpaid status will not be allowed to continue to play until registration fees are paid.

The BMF snack bar trailer is at Hill Road. We plan on using the snack bar trailer for Opening Day. Snack Bar Coordinator Jennifer Bean will clean the snack bar and prepare it for use for Opening Day! Brian thanked Steve Williams for all his help with the snack bar trailer, and John Piccarreta's father for his assistance as well.

Tom Cote made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. John DeFusco seconded the motion and the Treasurer's report was accepted by the general membership.

Softball Director's Report: BUDDY BALL:

Matt Huddleson reminded everyone that Buddy Ball will play the inaugural game on Opening Day. The game is slated for Saturday, April 16th, 7:00 PM, under the lights at the Hill Road main field. He encouraged all to come out and cheer on the players.

Matt also asked that each team in the league consider taking a turn at setting up the field for the Buddy Balls games. He advised that John DeFusco's 9U team already volunteered to do the first game on Opening Day and that the Inferno Softball team will set up the fields for the May 8th game. He asked teams willing to assist to please contact him.

The Buddy Ball Ice Cream social was a big success. About 65-70 players and Buddies were in attendance for the social held at St. Paul's UCC Church.

SOFTBALL:

Field Clean Up Day at Lake went well. Matt thanked everyone who joined in to lend a hand.

There is currently no batting cage at Lake Drive. Matt added that one is needed and asked that the league consider it a priority.

There was recent vandalism at the Lake Drive field. Sheds were painted with graffiti. The graffiti was painted over and cleaned up by volunteers. The vandalism was reported to the police.

There are ruts in the outfield at Lake Drive. Matt will be taking the Kabota over to try and smooth them out.

Matt reported two very important upcoming Inferno softball dates:

1st Annual DBYS hosted May Day Classic – April 30th – May 1st, MS fields (volunteers needed)

Rita's "Celebrity Scoop Night" – Thursday, May 5th – Rita's in Birdsboro

The BMF snack bar trailer will be used at the May Day Classic. Matt advised that a generator was needed to run the trailer and asked that anyone who had one to offer, please contact him.

Logistics Report:

John Piccarreta advised all that he'd be keeping pitching logs on-line. He also advised that the sheds at the Hill Road field would have pitching logs for coaches to track and report pitch counts and number of innings pitched per player.

League Rep Report:

Lisa Miller had no updates to report.

Committee Reports:

Fundraising:

For those who purchased the WaWa hoagie tickets as their fundraising option, the tickets will be available for pick-up at the Hill Road snack bar on Opening Day.

Sponsorships:

All sponsors are now listed on our website! DBYS families are encouraged to patronize our generous sponsors.

Fields:

Dean discussed the following specific field needs:

- **Lake** – new batting cages are a top priority for Spring 2011
- **Hill** – dugout covers need to go back on at the 3rd field; permanent covers are needed. Dirt bins in left field need to be cleaned out before the new season begins. Steve Vanderslice offered to head up 3rd field irrigation project (saving the league \$3000)! Work to begin next week.
- **Township** – speaker and pole system to be installed by Spring, thanks to *All Type Fence* and *Clark's Appliances*; fence around field to be put up this weekend. Norm from Amity Electric to work on electrical issues there and at Hill Road.
- **All** – field line marker will now be purchased from ACE Hardware in Fleetwood.

New Business:

Spring 2011 Season:

Opening Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 16th. All coaches and players should report to Hill Road by 9:30 AM. We have fun events and exciting things planned, we just need volunteers to make it all happen.

The Board requested that each coach provide the names and email addresses of two parent volunteers who will be scheduled to assist on Opening Day (snack bar, moonbounce, speed pitch, etc.). A schedule of volunteers will be announced and posted to our website prior to Opening Day.

Opening Day is also Picture Day! Lisa Miller will communicate a picture schedule and a donation list for all to follow. Please let Lisa know if your team's scheduled time does not work for you. In the event of rain, pictures will be taken at AIC – same schedule.

10UB Team – with so many players trying out for the 10U team, a B team will be created to provide play time for all kids hoping to play tournament ball. Greg Whelan will oversee the 10UB team.

This upcoming Friday and Saturday are 12U evaluations. The 12U team will be announced shortly after the final evaluation.

With no additional questions or concerns raised by league members, Dean Dinnocenti adjourned the meeting at 8:53 PM on a motion from Tom Cote and a second by Camille Hayes.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, May 10th, 8:15 PM – Hill Road Pavilion