

Glenmoore Eagle Baseball Board Minutes

January 18, 2012

Attendees: Chet Hernandez, Todd Cottingham, Wes Hollis, Heather DiLugi, Dina Asmann, Tony Alberton, Todd DiFonzo, Tom Graybill, DJ Massa, Rob Welsch, Tom McClain, Bill Dyer, Tom Cliggett, Jay Shelton

Board Members not present: Steve Meyer, Kevin Robinson

Kinetic Physical Therapy gave overview of their Pitcher's Clinic on January 28th at All Star Baseball Academy in West Chester. An Array of speakers and knowledge will be covered along with a Q and A.

SPONSORSHIP-Todd Cottingham

2011 sponsorship \$45,000 was raised

2012 \$21,250 committed, \$7,250 in bank

Funds are targeted for 2 new scoreboards at Hickory Park and fencing project.

NEWSLETTER-Heather DiLugi

We discussed usefulness of current newsletter program and whether we continue this or not.

General Consensus: Most said that they really don't look at the newsletter w/ game updates

We want to offer value to sponsors and the thought of doing one Spring newsletter with all sponsors listed would continue to add value.

We also discussed team websites and functionality that most people use. Must haves were game results, division standings, attendance roster, email reminders of practices & games, and pictures. Our new website (although we will have a learning curve as we use it) will be able to provide everything except for the ability to post team pictures. We discussed this and decided to let each team decide if individually if they wish to use the shutterfly site & establish the site themselves if they want to use it.

EVALUATIONS—given by Tom Graybill for Steve Meyer

February 4th USTC Times posted on Website.

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Hitting, Pitching, Fielding, Throwing and Running will be evaluated. We discussed current thought process and recommended a few tweaks. The biggest one being splitting the hitting tunnel in half and having pitching from ~30' distance. More hittable pitches will be thrown which will help keep the pace up.

SNACK STAND-Dina Asmann

This will be Dina's last year of running the stand, and we need a dedicated volunteer to learn the ropes from Dina this season so they can run the snack stand in the future. If you have an interest in helping, please email geyabaseball@geyabaseball.org.

FIELD DAY-Tom Graybill

Date is set for March 3rd, 2012
Current tasks include following:

- HP Set up both batting cage nets
- Put up HP 2 outfield fence
- Move lime & dry dirt to each press box
- Sweep out dugouts
- Clean out snackstand—we need to make sure water is turned on!
- Patch up HP 3 outfield fence
- Move artificial turf into HP1 batting cage batters box
- Put up walls on HP 3 press box

- SM clean out new Tee Ball shed
- Set out bases
- Put up batting cage net
- Put new roof on both dugouts
- Put new roof/shingles only on two older sheds
- Paint outfield fencing black?
- Install black safety tubing on outfield fences
- Install pitchers eye on SM1 & 2 backstops
- Paint equipment bins green?

Tentative Draft Dates-

Major Red-February 8th
Major Blue-February 11th
Minors-February 13th

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UNIFORMS

Have three quotes

\$15,297 Anaconda—current baseball provider

\$17,500 John Rowe—this is what we paid in 2011, assume prices stay same

\$20,651 SPS—they did offer to sort uniforms for us but pricing is a bit high

Still waiting on SVS

Anaconda also suggested ordering uniforms by division so we could get orders in quicker. This would also be a huge help in getting uniforms sorted. Due to screen printing and wanting to match up sponsors with players that were drafted on each team, we will look to follow a similar time frame as we have in the past.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Springton 1 was redesigned to accommodate 50/70 play.

Fencing added to Springton 1 and 2 with fence on Springton 2 at 180 feet. Minors will play there this year.

Concrete dugouts in Springton dugouts?

Fence on Hickory Park 1 to be put in

New Scoreboards at Hickory Park

Drain area next to 3rd base bleachers on Hickory 1-need township approval to fix with drain

INDOOR PRACTICES

Saturdays at USTC. Economic benefit from having them at All Star Baseball Academy. Cost savings were ~30% cheaper than 2011 ASBA pricing and ~80% cheaper than what ASBA quoted us for 2012 (asked that we charge \$25 additional per player that parents pays at door)

Debate over time limits for practices and how many teams per time slot. 3 teams at 1:15 minutes may be ideal.

REGISTRATION

224 kids registered so far. 10% ahead of 2011 pace (but 2011 pace was behind 2010's pace)

The GEYA Baseball Board did make the difficult decision to restrict the registration system for our officially assigned little league territory. We do not take this lightly and aren't a huge fan of restricting where kids choose to play baseball. Unfortunately due to insurance regulations—our hand was forced to go in this direction.

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50/70

Tryouts will be Sunday March 11th from 1:00 to 3:00. Location TBD based on weather.

11 and 12 year olds will have teams. We are still considering a 10 year old team. Coaches still need to be decided.

TOURNAMENT EVALUATIONS

Date was moved to Friday, May 18th. We initially had it for May 11 but school concerts and spring fairs were scheduled for May 11.

UMPIRES

There is a continued push to increase the quality of the umpires.

The League decided to increase the payment to umpires. Major Red & Blue will pay \$50 per game.

We will also provide them GEYA Umpire shirts and rule books.

SAFETY—Tony Alberton

Tony will get safety plan submitted to Little League International. Plan will be forwarded so we can have it posted on our new website.

NEXT MEETINGS (subject to change—most current info will be posted on geyabaseball.org website on upcoming events tab!)

Meeting Schedule for Spring Season is as follows:

Wednesday, February 15 7:30 UNO Pizza

Wednesday, March 21 7:30 UNO Pizza

Wednesday, April 18 7:30 UNO Pizza

Wednesday, May 16 7:30 UNO Pizza

Wednesday, June 20 7:30 UNO Pizza

Meeting adjourned at 9:05