

September 19, 2012

Board members in attendance:

Tom Graybill, Steve Meyer, Todd Difonzo and Todd Cottingham

- A. Fall Ball
 - a. Overall approximately 220 kids signed up vs. 238 in 2011
 - b. Team structure
 - i. 6-8 years old - 5 teams
 - ii. 9-10 years old - 5 teams
 - iii. 11-12 years old - 3 teams
 - iv. 13-18 years old - a total of 5 teams
 - c. Overall - uniform process went well - Due to changes by the District and additions subsequent to registration closing - there were 10 shirts short at the 13-18 levels
 - d. Hickory Park fields 1-3 (HP) and Springton Manor 1 and 2 (SM) are being utilized. Total cost is approximately \$6,000
 - e. Baseballs have been ordered for the Spring 2013 season

- B. Capital expenditures / field improvements
 - a. There were various field improvements discussed:
 - i. Batting cages - two new cages at HP - these should be installed / finalized prior to the 2013 spring season - We will look to dedicate in Mike Callaghan's memory
 - ii. The Baseball and the GEYA Board continues to conduct discussions with the township to add lights to both HP 1 and HP 2. Total cost would approximate \$200,000. There have been no decisions or conclusions reached
 - iii. Defibrillators - The Board continues to conduct discussions with the respective townships to add defibrillators at HP, West Vincent and SM
 - iv. Field improvements - various field improvements were discussed including:
 - 1. adding concrete floors at SM
 - 2. To mitigate foul balls, adding tiered fences at SM
 - 3. bleachers at HP 1, turf blankets to the HP fields
 - 4. Additionally, the Board will explore alternatives / options to add irrigation water at SM

- C. Sponsorship
 - a. Total sponsorship dollars approximated \$40,000 during the 2012 season
 - i. The new scoreboards have been installed at HP 1 and HP 2.
 - 1. They are significant improvements to the previous versions
 - 2. The sponsorship slots on the scoreboards have been sold.
 - ii. If lights are ultimately added this will also provide additional sponsorship opportunities

- D. Other / Administrative matters
 - a. Timeline for Spring 2013 needs to be finalized and placed on the web-site
 - b. 2013 spring baseball registration system will open December 1, 2012
 - c. The Board will reserve indoor practice facilities for the Spring 2013 season
 - d. Sponsorship plaques need to be distributed
 - e. Uwchland legion baseball is seeking a merge into GEYA Baseball program. Targeting Spring 2013

E. Elections

- a. Each candidate provided an overview of their reasons for seeking a board position
- b. All persons at the meeting voted (1 vote / 1 family)
- c. Results are posted on the GEYA baseball home page website