

## GEYA Baseball Meeting Agenda

Eagle, PA

December 19, 2012

### Order of Business

1. Call meeting to order / Attendees

Attendees – Todd Cottingham, Chris Paulsen, Darren Diamond, Bill Dyer, Tom Kent, Tony Alberton, DJ Massa, Tom McClain, Brian McGonagle, Todd DiFonzo, Chuck Mahon, Rob Welsch and Gray Lambe

2. The November 15, 2012 minutes were approved

3. "The Kinetic Physical Therapy Pitching Survival Guide" – January 19, 2013

Darren Rodia, representing Kinetic Physical Therapy discussed the "Pitching Survival Guide" to be held 8 AM January 19, 2013 at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Chester Springs. Guest speakers include the Phillies head trainer Scott Sheridan as well as local Doctors and Physical Therapists.

4. Officer reports

a. President

- i. At Hickory Park (HP), the old batting cage has been removed and the "foundation" for the dual cage has been completed. Assuming no weather issues, the new cage is expected to be fully operational by the end of February
- ii. The Mike Callaghan plaque and bench has been approved and will be completed in conjunction with the batting cages
- iii. HP and Upper Uwchlan Township (UUT) matters –
  1. Field 3 will have a permanent fence installed – Field 2 is still being discussed
  2. Due to continued deterioration, the bleachers at HP 1 will be removed and not replaced. Despite the fact GEYA pays an annual usage fee, the township requested we pay for the replacement of the bleachers.
  3. The township has approved GEYA to remove the overgrowth behind Field 1 in late winter / early spring
- iv. Springton Manor – New bases will be ordered for Springton Manor fields
- v. Brandywine Wallace will no longer be a GEYA field. EBYA requested to use the field in July 2012. Alternatives are being explored including using West Vincent, HP 4 and Springton Manor
- vi. Brian McGonagle and Tom Kent will update the GEYA bylaws

- vii. There was discussion regarding the establishment of a rules committee / formalization of rules for each baseball level – this will be discussed again during the January 16, 2013 meeting
- b. Safety Officer
  - i. Tony discussed the completion of background searches to be completed /required of all board members, head coaches and assistant coaches
- c. Information officer report
  - i. DJ Massa discussed registration results and stated that email blasts will be circulated during January to remind parents
  - ii. While not impacting the GEYA website, there is a project underway to make the soccer website consistent and interactive with the baseball website
- d. Player Agent
  - i. Tom McClain discussed the various requests he had received, primarily relating to parents requesting their children “play-up”. These requests primarily relate to the League Age 8 and 9 year olds. Tom informed the Board that he responds to such requests that players will be asked to “play-up” based on needs at the various levels.

There were no other significant officer matters discussed

5. 50-70 District 28 Baseball

- a. With the addition of the Intermediate Division (50/70) by Little League International, various adoption alternatives were discussed (it should be noted that GEYA currently has two separate 50/70 fields – HP 1 and Springton Manor 1). After lengthy discussion, the Board agreed that the most likely alternatives were to minimally implement and have 1 or 2 teams play other district 28 teams or convert the entire majors division to a 50/70 division. The Board agreed to discuss and approve the final approach at the next Board meeting.

6. The General Meeting was adjourned and an executive session was conducted