

## **GEYA Baseball Board Meeting – April 16, 2014**

Board members in attendance: Rob Welsch, Todd DiFonzo, Tom McClain, Tony Alberton, David Vrobel, Tom Kent, and Brian McGonagle

Other attendees: Chuck Mahon, Tom Downey, Bill Mackiewicz, Jay Shelton, Kevin McWilliams, Stephen Mullen, and Mike Brockner

Meeting called to order at 8:11 pm.

Minutes from March's meeting were approved.

### **I. President's Report (Rob Welsch):**

- a. Week 1 Debrief:
  - 1. Ensure each player is afforded the opportunity to pitch (if they want to).
  - 2. Keep pitch counts low during the first part of the season.
  - 3. Coaches need to maintain civility during games.
  - 4. Utilize batting cages for make-up practices if desired.
  
- b. The 2018 league age cutoff will be changed to 31 December. More to follow...
  
- c. Field Maintenance:
  - 1. Hickory Park Field 1's (HP1) mound needs to be elevated.
  - 2. The GEYA Executive Board has authorized funding for a new batting cage net at HP3, fence at HP3, and warning track at HP2 and HP3.

d. District 28 Tournament start dates and locations are as follows:

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|----|-------|-------------|---------|
| 1. | 8U    | Twin Valley | TBD     |
| 2. | 9U    | GEYA        | 5 July  |
| 3. | 10U   | West Side   | 27 June |
| 4. | 11U   | East Side   | TBD     |
| 5. | 50/70 | GEYA        | 20 June |

e. Nominations for District Team managers are due by 15 May.

f. AEDs are now located at each field.

g. Casino Night:

1. Only 17 people have signed up so far. Please sign up ASAP.
2. Each team needs to collect \$5 per family for the gift baskets.

h. Important Dates:

1. 03 May – Baseball Celebration & Casino Night
2. 15 May – Nominations for District Managers Due
3. 26 May – Memorial Day All Star Games
4. 07 Jun – Championship Saturday
5. 20 Jun – District 50/70 Tournament starts at HP
6. 05 Jul – Finnegan 9U Tournament starts at HP

## II. Divisions Update:

- a. **TBall** – Nothing significant to report; all good.
- b. **Rookie 7s** – Parity has been good amongst the teams. Fun and safety are two main points of emphasis.
- c. **Rookie 8s** – Nothing significant to report; all good.

d. **Minor B (9s)** – They are playing a 5 run limit per inning, but there have been questions regarding unlimited last inning. After some discussion, clarified that they will continue to play with limit throughout the duration of the game.

e. **Minor A** – Reschedule games and/or practices through Rob Welsch.

f. **50/70** – Nothing significant to report; all good.

**III. New Business:**

a. Tournament team evaluations need to be scheduled sometime in late May.

b. Assign Finnegan 9U Tournament Committee.

c. GEYA Baseball Board elections will be held in September.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.