

GEYA Baseball Board Meeting – March 19, 2014

Board members in attendance: Rob Welsch, Todd DiFonzo, Tom McClain, Gray Lambe, Dave Vrobel, and Brian McGonagle

Other attendees: Chuck Mahon, Tom Downey, Peter Kern, Bill Mackiewicz, Kevin McWilliams, Stephen Mullen, Tim Kanavy, and Gregg Amicon

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm.

Minutes from February's meeting were approved.

I. President's Report (Rob Welsch):

- a. Spring 2014 registration is at approximately 400 kids between the ages of 5-12 (at 93% from last year).
- b. Schedules are complete for all divisions and have been posted on the website.
 1. All schedule change requests must be routed through Rob.
 2. Rescheduled games take precedence over practices.
- c. All uniforms have been ordered and the majority received (still waiting for T-ball uniforms).
- d. Game balls and umpire money will be provided to managers the week of 31 March.
 1. Since umpires get paid if they arrive at the game, please ensure you cancel them well ahead of time through zebra web if games are cancelled.
- e. Rules for each division are posted on the website.
 1. Any rules questions should be addressed by the respective division commissioner.
 2. Each division commissioner should meet with their managers to review and confirm rules.
- f. Field Maintenance:
 1. We must wait for township approval prior to using the fields.

2. In the interim, we can use the batting cages and parking lots for scheduled practices.
3. **Field Day** was a success for each Division. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time to assist with field prep for the upcoming season!
 - a) Springton Manor's batting cage is complete. Ed Donaghy will repair the roof this week.
 - b) Pitcher/Batting eyes and sponsorship signs were hung at Hickory Park (HP).
 - c) Equipment was placed in the press boxes and T-Ball boxes.
 - d) First aid equipment was placed in the press boxes.
- g. USTC practices are going well.
- h. Coaches Clinic was well attended with positive feedback.
 1. Recommend a similar clinic next year for T-Ball through 8 y/o coaches.
 2. Recommend an additional coaches clinic with Norchester Legion for 9-12 y/o coaches.
- i. Important Dates:
 1. 05 Apr – Games Start
 2. 03 May – Baseball Celebration & Casino Night
 3. 07 Jun – Championship Saturday

II. Casino Night (Peter Kern)

- a. Planning is going well.
 - 1. Cost will be \$40 per person.
 - 2. Each division will provide a basket.
 - 3. Location will be the Lionville Fire Hall.

III. Legion Program (Gregg Amicon)

- a. Based on geographic boundaries (Downingtown East Charter).
 - 1. Gregg's team is now called Glenmoore Brigade.
 - 2. Season runs from Memorial Day through June.
- b. He is seeking assistance with a Hickory Park 3 fence.
 - 1. Gregg will approach township for funding.

IV. New Business:

- a. Coaches vs. Coaches Game
 - 1. Rob will gauge interest from coaches.
 - 2. If there is sufficient interest, Brian McGonagle will organize and schedule it immediately after the Memorial Day All-Star Games.
- b. Create and post a Casino Night flyer on the website.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.