

Glenmoore Eagle Little League Meeting Minutes

Eagle, PA

March 19, 2015

Order of Business

1. Call meeting to order.
 - a. **The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm.**
2. Roll call via sign-in sheet.
 - a. **Attendees included Chuck Mahon, Todd DiFonzo, Gray Lambe, Kevin McWilliams, Dave Vrobel, Brian McGonagle, Jere Geib, Ed Donaghy, Mike Walter, Tom Downie, Stephen Mullen, Tim Kanavy, Bob Armstrong, Kris Kuzmick, and Pat Kelly.**
3. Approval of the February minutes.
 - a. **The February minutes were approved.**
4. President's Report
 - a. Final registration numbers.
 - i. **430 registered (92% compared to last year's numbers)**
 - b. Township field fees.
 - i. **Since West Vincent costs approximately as much as Hickory Park Fields 1 & 2, possibly move Rookie 7s to Springton Manor next year.**
 - c. Uniforms update.
 - i. **All uniforms have been ordered.**
 - d. Balance due options.
 - i. **Gray Lambe will address with the GEYA Treasurer.**
 - e. Volunteer background checks and safety lanyards update.
 - i. **Lanyards are complete and will be distributed to volunteers who completed their background checks.**
 - f. Springton Manor maintenance roofs and ramp update.
 - i. **Two dugouts will be completed this weekend, and two the following weekend.**
 - g. Important Dates:
 - i. First Aid Training conducted on March 16.
 - ❖ **Thank you to Chad Nagy for conducting the First Aid Training!**
 - ❖ **Chad was nominated as Tony Alberton's replacement as the Safety Officer when his tenure is complete this summer.**
 - ii. Field Day scheduled for March 28.
 - iii. Opening Day scheduled for April 7.
 - iv. GEYA Baseball Celebration scheduled for May 2.
 1. Don Tantala will be the guest speaker.
 - ❖ Need to identify a board member to coordinate the event.
 - a. **Kevin McWilliams is coordinating the GEYA Baseball Celebration.**
 - b. **Ed Donaghy and Kris Kuzmick will assist Kevin.**
 - c. **Younger players will start at 9 am; older players will start at 10:15 am.**
 - d. **Fire truck needed.**
 - v. Picture Day scheduled for May 16.

- ❖ **Kevin McWilliams is coordinating Picture Day.**
 - a. **He will coordinate the schedule with Dave Vrobel.**
 - vi. **Championship Saturday scheduled for June 6.**
 - ❖ **Gray will coordinate the Rookie 7 round-robin games.**
 - ❖ **Pitch-hit-run was recommended for the T-Ball Division. Ed Donaghy will coordinate.**
5. **Player Agent Update**
- a. **Evaluation and draft feedback.**
 - i. **Board agreed Norchester needs to conduct evaluations next year.**
 - ii. **Board agreed to continue scheduling evaluation in late-February with drafts conducted the day after evaluations to allow sufficient time to order uniforms and prepare for indoor practices.**
 - ❖ **Mid-February hard close registration; generate a wait list to evaluate division numbers.**
 - iii. **Recommended coaches complete an evaluation sheet for each player following the spring season to place players who miss the evaluation.**
 - b. **USTC practice feedback.**
 - i. **Need dividers down to avoid errant throws from other teams.**
 - ii. **Chuck Mahon will conduct a cost analysis of other possible locations for next year.**
 - iii. **Board agreed that indoor practices are worth the money given March/April's inclement weather.**
 - c. **Age Change Considerations**
 - i. **Managers need to communicate the Little League age changes with parents to manage expectations.**
 - ii. **It is imperative to work with all players in the lower divisions, given the variable skill levels, to encourage retention.**
6. **Information Officer Update**
- a. **Status of divisions' schedules.**
 - i. **Teams and schedules are set.**
 - ii. **Thank you to Dave Vrobel for all his hard work!**
7. **Sponsorship Update**
- a. **Received \$23k to date; \$38k pledged.**
 - b. **Beef & Beer fund raising dinner update.**
 - i. **Kevin and Tom Downie are pursuing a few different venues.**
 - ii. **Commissioners will need to put together raffle baskets for each division.**
8. **New Business**
- a. **Post dates of the 50/70 Tournament (late June) and Finnegan Tournament (5 July) on our website to start soliciting volunteers.**
 - b. **Finnegan Tournament discussion**
 - i. **Recommended to cap the number of teams to 16.**
 - c. **Rookie 8 discussion**
 - i. **Coach to kid pitch due to the new age changes.**
 - ii. **5 pitch max, then use a Tee to keep the game moving and encourage hitting/fielding.**

9. General Meeting Adjournment

- a. **Meeting adjourned at 9:44 pm.**