

**Wareham Little League, Inc.**  
**Meeting February 13, 2014**  
**Minutes**

Conducted by: Q. DoCanto

Attended by: C. Kyle, S. Frazier, A. Andrade, K. Spenard, T. Schofield, C. Turgeon, J Gamache, J Pelletier, B. O'Hearn, C. Stephens, J Duggan, J. Allen

1. Meeting called to order at 6:35pm.
  
2. January 2014 Minutes were accepted, C. Stephens motioned, J Pelletier seconded. Unanimous vote by board to accept.  
January Treasury report, C. Kyle motioned to approve and T. Schofield seconded and the board unanimously accepted.
  
3. Budget Committee discussed that we are relying heavily on fundraising efforts to raise money. Figures on budget were drawn from 2012 and 2013 numbers and the projections came from historical numbers. Registration figures came from last year's teams and the fees for the minors and majors remain the same. Umpires are based on one umpire so this figure may increase under expenses. Amount was based on how many games scheduled to play for 2014.
  
4. Umpires, J Gamache mentioned that he is getting no positive feedback from umpires coming back this season. Q. DoCanto mentioned we could go through volunteer umpires if necessary. He will also talk with a few of the umpires he knows to see if he can get them to change their minds. The intent is to work with the umpires and try and get what will be needed. J. Duggan mentioned he would be willing to volunteer when time permits also ( minor league) Q. DoCanto also mentioned he would help. A. Andrade asked that Scott Riley not be called back to umpire.
  
5. CPC Update - discussion went well. Q. DoCanto spoke with the town and there will be a special town meeting for the request. With this special meeting the funds will be available immediately. The request amount was \$29,000. for screening to stop glass from coming through, seeding and loam for Field 5 and Turface to assist in the drainage. A scoreboard was also part of the request. There are 3 scoreboards already sponsored so one more will bring it to a total of 4 new boards. The town suggested that we go back each year to get additional funding because it is available to the non-profits. As many board members should be there on April 28<sup>th</sup>

(Monday) Special Meeting. Top Tier, Dunkin, and Coastal Orthodontics are the 3 sponsors for the scoreboards.

6. Parade Update – April 27<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm, rain date is May 4<sup>th</sup>. Players should be at the Tremont Nail no later than 12:30pm. Please be sure children are not running around unattended. Coaches need to be there also.
7. Dance Update – Confirmed the Hall and the DJ. Vel's and Riccardi's look like the best option and J. Duggan recommended that we stay local for the food. Date change is May 17<sup>th</sup> 6-12:00. A. Andrade also has the tickets for the event. J. Duggan is working on raffle items from Titleist and Plymouth Country Club. Sell tickets for 3 - \$25. Tagging will start March 15<sup>th</sup>, at Walmart, Stop & Shop and Shaw's. J. Pelletier is coordinating teams.
8. Snack Bar – Cathy came to speak for Sherri Pratt for snack bar requests. Sherri is looking for a better schedule for 2014. Q. DoConto spoke to what the new schedule will look like so it should be better. Also the lack of communication was a big issue. Q. DoConto recommended that Sherri go on the website to see what the schedule looks like this year. Q. DoConto also asked that she will need to sign a contract so there is an expectation on what the league is looking for. If she is willing to do that we can move forward with Sherri Pratt.
9. Registration Update – A. Andrade said that there were 44 registrations so far. Flyers will go out on 2-14-14 in the schools now that Q. DoConto has the approval of the Superintendent. If another registration day has to be added we will do that later.
10. Major League Draft – B. O'Hearn asked about changing from Point to Pendulum system. Coaches voted for what the coaches wanted which is the Points system. Board voted on this and approved it. Q. DoConto will look into information and get back to the board on whether it can be switched or if the Points system has to stay as is for the next 2 years.
11. Chadwick Tournament – Q. DoConto has set July 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> to get our foot back in the door. It will be a 10 – u and 12 – u Tournament. It will just be an A Tournament. There should be 6 teams in each division. The fee is \$425. for three games and this fee is in line with other tournaments. This is to help offset the cost of the All-Stars. Looking for volunteers for Umpires. Hoping for a good response from other leagues. Q. DoConto will email other leagues now to get an idea on who might attend. Request was sent from Martha's Vineyard to join their tournament. Q. DoConto asked for more information but if teams want to go that would be fine.

12. Additional discussion was on Snack Bar. What Sherri Pratt owes is \$1,298. S. Frazier talked about all the work that Sherri Pratt did with the clean-up for the building. S. Frazier is asking for some consideration to reduce the fee she owes to something lower to help absorb her cost for cleaning supplies. Motion to amend previous vote to run the snack bar, J. Pelletier motioned and K. Spenard seconded. Unanimous vote by board to not run the snack bar. Motion made to take \$300 off of Sherri Pratt's bill by J. Gamache and S. Frazier seconded. Favor was 5, against 2, abstained 3. Motion is passed. The reimbursement for \$300 will be included in the contract. A. Andrade will draw up the contract and a date of response no later than March 7<sup>th</sup> from Sherri Pratt. A. Andrade will forward to the board for review before it goes to Sherri Pratt.
13. J. Pelletier motioned to adjourn at 7:52pm and J. Allen seconded.