



# Kingston Youth Baseball & Softball League

Monthly Meeting Minutes

February 11, 2009

7:00 PM – South Shore Supreme Sports

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**Board of Directors (X indicates those in Attendance):**

X	John Rose [Commissioner]	X	Paul Bettel [Director of Youth Baseball Operations]	X	Tony Videtto [League Information Officer]	X	Jim Connolly [Treasurer]
X	Bruce Chenard [Director of Standards]	X	Bob Harrington [Director Babe Ruth Baseball Operations]	X	Scott Sears [Director of Softball Operations]	X	Steve Powers [Procurement Officer]
	Ken Moalli [Director of Fields]	X	Mike Pakalnis [Director of Player/Coach development Baseball]	X	Andy Davis [Director of Player/Coach development Softball]	X	Mike Romano [Director at Large]
X	Jack Riordan [Director at Large]						

**Members (X indicates those in Attendance):**

X	Jim Hall	X	Mike Donovan	X	Steve Peterson	X	Paul Dennett
X	John Ruprecht	X	Mark Kelly	X	Jim Goggin		

**Meeting Objective(s):**

- The purpose of this monthly meeting is to discuss any and all matters relating to the activities of the Kingston Youth Baseball and Softball League.

**Follow Up Items:**

#	Follow Up Item	Owner	Target Date	Status / Comments
1	Player ratings	All	1/2009	
2	Coaching Certification	All	4/2009	
3	Shed Lights	Mike Romano	4/2009	
4	Infield Mix for B5	Ken Moalli	3/2009	
5	Get estimates for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Batting Cage	Andy Davis	4/2009	
6	Call Benelli owner	Ken Moalli	4/2009	
7	Get estimate for Benelli make-over	Ken Moalli	5/2009	

**Items Discussed:**

- General League Business –**
1. **Minutes from last meeting**
    - **Minutes were approved unanimously**
  2. **Announcements**
    - Dick's coaching bags are ready for pickup
      - Andy will pick up softball and store at his house
      - We need to pick up baseball kits and Scott G. has offered to store them in his basement office. This will be done Saturday at 9AM.



### 3. Treasurer's Report

- Jim gave an update we have about 2.5k in the bank with 16k in bills to pay.
- Jim emphasized spending restraint given the lower registration numbers at this point.
- He also recommended that we take better care of our equipment as we seem to continually buy new equipment every year.
- We have a bill for SLRHS classroom rentals for umpire classes and it seems that Ken is not doing the umpire class which was a surprise to many. Andy will follow up with Ken and find out what is going on, or if we can potentially get a refund on the fees if in fact we are not holding the classes.

### 4. LIO's Report

- Registration numbers are down – approximately 300 and we are expecting a huge turnout at the last walk-in date 2/26.
- On-line registration has been having a few "issues" these should have been corrected according to our provider.
- Ask Ken to make another league wide call – but make it brief this time!

### Continued Open Business –

### 5. Do we want to set up a 70' BB program

- It was agreed unanimously that we would look to potentially start this in the fall because it was too close to the spring season to answer all the questions about how we would structure this league.

### 6. B6 Lighting

- Good to go and a date to assemble the lights was chosen **2/28/2009 at 9AM**
- Once these are assembled we will pick a time to schedule the crane to lift into place.

### 7. Spring Projects

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Batting Cage
  - Andy said he spoke to Chris Bonney and he said he could do it at approximately the same cost.
  - A vote was taken to authorize the spending of approximately the same amount of money we spent to set up the first batting cage. **This passed with all in favor except one "nay" and one "abstain",** however John Rose agreed to bring it back to the next meeting for more discussion as there was some concern over our financial situation.
  - Mike Pakalnis is going to check with Dwayne Follette as he may have a batting cage with heavy duty poles that he can donate.

### Continued General League Business –

### 8. Coaches Clinic Opportunities

- All agreed it would be good to have this done again with Dwayne Follette – Mike Pakalnis will talk to Dwayne and get back to us with a date.
- The Brockton Rox is hosting a FREE coaches clinic on 3/19, 3/26, 4/2 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at their facility. Anyone interested should contact Chris Corbett at [ccorbett@brocktonrox.com](mailto:ccorbett@brocktonrox.com).
- Mike P. was also going to follow up with the offer from the Baystate Bulldogs on doing a kids baseball clinic – possibly during April vacation.
- **Coaches Handbook (Andy, Mike, Bruce)**
  - Mike P. handed out conceptual document which all felt was great information. He got some feedback from Bruce but will take all feedback and then update and we can post to the website and distribute to all coaches.



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## 9. Concessions

- We have identified 5 volunteers to run the stand this spring and summer. They will be in attendance at our next meeting so we can meet them and ensure we are all on the same page.
- Additionally, Steve Peterson offered up his company as a one stop shop for all of our concession needs (exclusive of soda). This will help tremendously as all ordering can be done on line. Steve will work with the volunteers to ensure things go smoothly.

## 10. Pictures

- **Requests from vendors**
  - We have had numerous inquiries from outside vendors on this. All felt it was important to stay local with the business – Kingston photo.
  - Paul Bettle and Andy Davis agreed to coordinate.

## 11. Field Prep and Clean up weekend – Select Dates

- The dates will be 3/28-3/29
- Shouldn't need to do major rework or spend a lot of money on material. However we may want to think about getting liquid round-up for B1 etc.

## Division Specific Business –

### 12. Softball Forum

- Coordinators picked
- Tournament is full

### 13. Youth Baseball Forum

- Still need ratings
  - Mike P. said he would do Ed Williams ratings
  - Paul will work with coordinators to normalize ratings

### 14. Babe Ruth Forum

- Send 12 year old ratings to Bob H.

### 15. Senior Babe Ruth Forum

- Nothing new to report.

## New Business –

### 16. *New Topic for Discussion*

- We will invite Amy Heffernan to the March meeting to finalize Summer Uniform details.

## Other New Business –

### 17. KYSO News and Updates

- User fees are going up dramatically.

### 18. SLRHS District News

- Nothing new to report



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**Next Meeting:**

Wednesday March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 7:30 PM @ Pottle Street Meeting Room

**Scribe:** Please contact Tony Videtto (781)585-5978 if you have any questions or comments regarding these minutes.