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**Kingston Youth Baseball & Softball League**  
 Monthly Board of Directors and Members Meeting  
 Wednesday, August 10, 2011  
 7:30 PM – **Concession Stand Meeting Room**  
 Meeting Minutes

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

X	John Rose [Commissioner]	X	Mark Kelly [Director of Youth Baseball Operations]	X	Paul Bettle [League Information Officer]	X	Tony Videtto [Treasurer]
X	Paul Dennett [Director of Standards]		Bob Harrington [Director Sr. Babe Ruth 16-18 Baseball Operations]		Scott Sears [Director Softball Operations]		Steve Powers [Procurement Officer]
	Ken Moalli [League Umpire in Chief]		Andy Davis [Director of Player/Coach Development - Softball]	X	Brian Whidden [Director of Player/Coach Development - Baseball]		Mike Romano [Director at Large - Baseball]
X	Jack Riordan [Director at Large – Softball]		Mike Pakalnis [Director Babe Ruth 13-15 Baseball Operations]				

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

	Jim Hall	X	Wally Moquin		Steve Peterson		Mike Donovan
	Tim Danahy		Eric Johnson		Dana Bertram		Ed Armstrong
	Joe Rafferty		Shawn McMahon		Phil Ieradi	X	Dave Dalrymple

**General League Business:**

1. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes (July '11): Minutes were approved unanimously (8-0) from July 13, 2011 meeting
2. Announcements: None provided
3. Treasurer's Report (Tony): Did not have formal report, but stated roughly \$17,000 in bank.
4. League Information Officer (Paul B.): None provided

**Continued Open Business from Previous Forum:**

5. Reference #12 & 14

**Resume General League Business:**

6. Summer All-Star Season Wrap-up
  - a) Results: All in all everything went well and we had two State Champions (10A baseball and 14U softball). As discussed in a previous meeting, KYBSL will put \$35 per player towards the purchase of a jacket/sweatshirt etc for these State winners.
  - b) The good, the bad, the ugly. Considerations for changes for 2012?
    - i. Need to review 8 year baseball all star selection process in advance of tryout's to determine if one or two teams will enter Friendship League and if two then need to split up evenly.
    - ii. 9B South River baseball team was in league with mostly 10 year old teams and therefore did not fair that well. Will need to see if 9B should be in another South River Division next year?
    - iii. Eight year old parent got kicked out of game. This must never happen.
    - iv. 18U's in wrong division this past year?

c) Overall league records are being collected by Paul B., so if you have not given your records to Paul B. you need to do so.

7. Fall Ball Planning

a) Divisions & Coordinators

- i. Mike D. will be overall baseball coordinator and will be Minor/Major coordinator
- ii. Wally M. to coordinate 7 year old and Mike to check with Brian W. on being coordinator of the other division?
- iii. John R. to try and get Babe Ruth coordinator
- iv. Jack R. to coordinate 14U and will check on the younger groups

b) Registration Fees will be kept the same as last year

c) Registration Dates will tentatively be August 18, 23 and 25

d) Fall Ball Game Schedule will be determined once the # of teams are decided

e) Umpires to be coordinated through Ken M.

**Division Specific Business:**

8. Softball Forum

a) Annual Kingston Host Tournament netted roughly \$9,000 and again was a very successful tournament.

9. Youth Baseball Forum

a) Follow-up to ensure we update and identify the 8y/o summer league opportunities. The number of players will dictate how many teams we enter into the Friendship League. Other option would be to have a tournament team and one team in the Friendship League?

10. Babe Ruth Forum

a) Time to explore (or develop) and consider new summer league options and opportunities due to issue we had with Braintree officials? Could enter the South River League (Brian Murphy from Marshfield). Further discussions to take place next spring

11. Senior Babe Ruth Forum

a) Did very well and lost in the finals

**Pending Business (Requested Items for Procurement):**

12. Discussion and consideration for new pitching machine(s) was deferred to next spring.

13. Discussion and consideration for sky nets (*Rigs to protect from foul balls etc...*): Andy to research further and bring proposal to board.

14. Pitching warm-up cage

a) Decided that we would like to put up 70' batting cage behind B6. Jack R. to map out location and to get prices to erect this. This could be used for both warming up pitches and a batting cage.

**Field Maintenance Related Business:**

15. B3 Field Drainage plan required? None at this time as the storm we got during the softball tournament was a freak thing.

16. B2 Field – reference agenda item 18d.

**Other Business:**

17. Concession stand

a) Paul B. thought the overall operations went very well this year. Made early determination that whoever played on B4 (mostly Minor League) would need to have volunteers to work

the stand. Paul B. thanked everyone for helping in having the concession stand open every night there was a game on B4. Paul B. to have final numbers at next meeting.

- b) Paul B. to do final clean-up
- c) Paul B. is already working with Darlene S on the transition to SLYFC

**18. KYSO News and Updates**

- a) Field Scheduling
  - v. Fall Ball: Reed Govoni/Legion Field in use by KYSA on Tuesday and Friday evenings through the fall.
  - vi. Cheerleading to use B5 outfield for their practices
- b) Field Maintenance Protocol w/ KYSO and Rec. Dept.: Tom H. has total access and if he needs to maintenance a field that is in use, then you are to move to another field if available. No one should contact Tom H. directly except for John R. and Jack R.
- c) Brian W. to coordinate the moving of bleachers and other general clean-up. Tentative date is August 27.
- d) B2 Field Overhaul – Joint w/ KYSO & Rec. Dept. (Scope of work and timing): Need to have Tom H. review for his recommendation. Jack R. to see if rec. dept. has any funds for this?

**19. Recreation Department/Recreation Committee & CPC News & Updates (Ken / Andy / Jack)**

- a) Concession stand & meeting room needs to be cleaned out and any older equipment to be thrown out if not in good use.
- b) Former Hall Property – CPC activity & status: Engineering started to delineate what is wet land vs. usage. Jack has schedule of events if anyone would like to see it?
- c) Field conditions, sprinkler systems etc.....: B3 outfield is looking real bad again.

**20. Boy/Girl Scouts & Other Clubs/Org's**

- a) Project: Dugouts for B4 – (Boy Scout - Hoxie) (Brian W.): Kyle H. has started the process and next step is for him to raise the money needed. Start date is targeted for mid-September
- b) Andy is coordinating the cement slabs with the union and we should see if they will do all of the remaining dugout floors and the dig the holes for the 70' batting cage?
- c) Who owns the bottle/can recycling?

**New Business:**

- 21. Tony to cancel the port-a-potty's @ Reed and B1
- 22. Paul B. to find out how much the 10' storage container would cost to buy?
- 23. Board approved to allow Kevin H. to remove the red tractor
- 24. Need to discuss repair of scoreboards at a future meeting and to relocate B4 scoreboard.

**\*\*\*\*\*END OF GENERAL SESSION MEETING FORUM\*\*\*\*\***

**Follow up Items:**

- 25. Pennant Plan - Follow-up w/ list of '08, '09, '10, and now 2011

**Future Meeting Topics & Projects for Consideration**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Batting Cage Installation

**Next Meeting:**

Sept. 14, 2011. @ 7:00PM – Meeting Place: **Concession Stand**

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