

Orlando Babe Ruth (OBR)

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 8, 2016

7:00pm @ the CWA Building

2220 Edgewater Drive



7:00 Welcome & Introductions

7:05 Approval of Previous Minutes (July)

Approved

7:10 General Business

- David Terry has resigned from the Board due to lack of time.
- Need to develop a league Code of Conduct – ACTION 01 - Dan McGaw has volunteered to do so and have a draft sent out before the September Board meeting for review.

7:20 League Financials (Bates)

- Annual Budget Approval. David Bates discussed the league budget for Fall 2016 and Spring 2017. The budget was approved with the required changes below-ACTION 02-David Bates will revise before the September Board meeting:
 - The registration fee estimates need to reflect the multiple family child discount and the use of Promo codes
 - Field Supplies and Equipment will be combined into one line item
 - Revenue of \$500 from OBR sponsored tournaments will be added in
- Seasonal registration fees approved
 - **Fall 2016**

▪ Reduced fee (\$50) and Free fee (\$25)	▪ Rookies \$110
▪ Coaches \$20	▪ Minors \$120
▪ Softball \$125	▪ Majors \$130
▪ 6u/T-ball \$100	▪ Juniors \$140
 - **Spring 2017**

▪ Propose to have one "Scholarship Fee" for all divisions of \$50. Approved.	▪ 6u/T-ball \$100
▪ Coaches \$20	▪ Rookies \$110
▪ Softball \$140	▪ Minors \$120
	▪ Majors \$130
	▪ Juniors \$140

All registration fees above were approved.

7:40 Marketing and PR Updates (Savino)

- Orlando Weekly ad (8/1/16 and 8/8/16)
- Penny Saver ad all weeks in August
- ACTION 03-New achievement signs size 24x30 for front gate at Trotters (8u 2013, 10u 2015, 11u 2016). These will be completed and delivered before opening day.

7:50 Registration Updates (Juarez)

- Current registration numbers are looking strong – exceeding Fall 2015 numbers
- OBR Open House (August 18 at Crosby from 6-8pm). ACTION 04 - Krista and Gilda will coordinate and organize the event.
- Flyer and coordination with Edgewater HS Varsity Baseball team (Eric Brink). ACTION 05 – Andy will work with James Savino on this.

8:00 Equipment and Uniforms Update (Kelvington/Powers)

- We plan to use solid “dri-fit” shirts for fall with no names on back
- Equipment order for fall – to be handled by Bruce Kelvington
- 2 new L-Screens for Trotters Green and Yellow fields-Approved-Andy will order these

8:10 Fall 2016 Season

- Fall Season Schedule
 - Thursday, August 18 @ 6-8pm @ Crosby Field – Open House, Free Player Clinic, Used Gear Sale – We will need people to volunteer to help.
 - Fall 2016 Registration Closes on Monday, August 22, 2016 at 5pm EST
 - Fall Evaluations and Team Drafts
 - Majors (Blue), Minors (Blue) and Juniors (Red) - August 23 @ 6pm at Trotters Park with team drafts to follow on the same day
 - Rookies - August 24 @ 6pm at Trotters Park with team drafts to follow on the same day (Blue Field)
 - T-ball “Meet the Coach Day” will be August 24, 2016 at 6pm at Trotters
 - Softball “Meet the Coach Day” will be August 24, 2016 at 6pm at Trotters
 - Storm Team Evaluations @ 9:00 am– Ben Crosby Field, August 27
 - 9:00am – 6u
 - 10:00am – 8u
 - 11:30am – 9u
 - 1:00pm – 10u
 - 2:30pm – 11u
 - Coaches Meeting and Equipment Distribution @ 10:00 am - Ben Crosby Field, August 27
 - Practices Begin the week of Monday, September 5th
 - Umpire Clinic – September 10, 2016 at 10am at Trotters (run by Tommy Santiago)
 - Opening Ceremony will be Friday, September 16 @ 6pm at Trotters Park
 - Division Playoff Week – November 14-18

8:20 Fundraising and Sponsorships (Nicol)

8:30 Division Updates (Division Commissioners)

- Updated Division rules were approved for tball, rookies and juniors. ACTION 06-Majors and Minors need to be revised and approved at the September meeting.
- Need softball rules by Division – ACTION 07 – Minna Lombardo offered to prepare these by the September Board meeting.

8:45 Events Committee Update (Joslin)

- ACTION 08-Player picture day – Krista will coordinate with the photographers and will pick a process that works best for pictures.
- Open House (August 16) – Need to collect used gear for sale (Krista Joslin will handle this)
- Fall Opening Day – September 16, 2016 @ Trotters Park from 6-9pm
 - Invite Partners (Most invited already) – Krista to handle
 - Who throws out the first pitch? – We requested the College Park Kiddie Campus owners. Krista is coordinating.
- Home run derby 10/22/16 3-6pm @ Trotters-need to advertise (Jazz Fest is same day) – Maybe move the date?
- OBR Terrifying Turbo (9u) 10/29/16 at Trotters – 6 teams max
- Parent player game 11/12/16 3-6pm @ Crosby-need to advertise

9:00 Tournament/All Star Team Updates

- 6u (McGaw)-practicing and looking good
- 8uA (Malatesta))-practicing and looking good
- 9u (Nicol))-practicing and looking good
- 10u (Viera))-practicing and looking good
- 11u (Bryan, Kempinger, Hebert)-may not be able to field a team
- 12u (Seeber)-will start up soon

9:15 Field Update (Miller)

- Ben Crosby Field
 - Grass seed has taken very well. Need to sod small areas along baselines
 - Field Clean Up Day August 20, 9am – 3pm
 - New field codes
- Trotters Park
 - Field Clean Up Day August 20, 9am-3pm
 - Shed move – Andy Nicol will handle this

9:30 Adjournment

Future Board Meeting Dates

September 12 @8:30pm
October 10 @ 8:30pm

November 14 @ 8:30pm
December 12 @7pm

Thank you for all of your efforts!