



Board Meeting
Sunday, February 11th, 2018
7:30pm @ CWA

Attendance:

Adrian Griffin, Bobby Hopper, Carrie Powers, Charles Rutterbush, Dan Kempinger, Dan McGaw, Don Quill, Frank Kempinger, Frank Malatesta, James Savino, Jessica Kepple, Krista Joslin, Matthew Fritz, Meredith DiGeorge, Mike Campbell, Robert Viera, and Ron Griffin.

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| 7:30 pm | Welcome & Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agenda was approved | Viera |
| 7:32 pm | Approval of Previous Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minutes were approved | Viera |
| 7:33 pm | Spring Signup Process <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of requiring the \$50 deposit and thoughts of the changes that were implemented this season with the payment plan option• Need to review the scholarships for the Fall registration | Viera |
| 7:41 pm | Evaluations and ATB <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Juniors and ATB used the software for evaluations. Minimized data entry on draft night because the application generated the spreadsheet.• The system hides the managers' notes when it generates the results.• Next season the coaches will have the option of user paper or the application.• The big groups needed to be broken out into two for future evaluations. | Viera |
| 7:48 pm | Registration Numbers <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overall registration was up one player from Spring 2017. Juniors represented 22 new players over the prior year; Rookies and ATB were slightly down.• Player retention continues to decline. A survey will be sent out to see why some players have not returned.• The Edgewater Higher School event was very successful. | Viera |

- 7:58 pm** **Spring Season and Opening Day** **Viera**
- The jerseys are in and Angelina Downing has already taken an inventory.
 - Sponsorships were not on the Spring jerseys. Will only be on the Fall jerseys since the names are not on the back.
 - An email reminder will go out tomorrow reminding people that they will need to drive to Dicks Sporting Goods on Saturday. If the jersey is not picked up on Saturday, the remaining jerseys will be delivered to the coaches at the next practice.
 - They will have the dual practices again next Saturday (coach partnerships).
- 8:05 pm** **Equipment Needs** **Campbell**
- An equipment list had been distributed with which manager took which equipment and what is located at each field.
 - *Wants:* Training paddles; netting to split the batting cages at Trotters; new bat racks at the dugouts
 - *Ideas:* Have secured equipment at each field in a dugout or color coded Rubbermaid bins in the shed.
- 8:19 pm** **Schedule** **Viera**
- Viera is about 75% complete with the schedule. It will be posted this week by Friday.
 - Delays in the schedule were related to figuring out the interleague play with the Majors and Juniors.
- 8:23 pm** **Concession Stand** **Viera**
- No changes to Trotters and Crosby; may change the menu at Crosby
- 8:26 pm** **Majors Rules (12u)** **Viera**
- An email will go out with scorebooks; game changer needs the first and last name in the first name field.
 - Games have to run for a full two hours (minimum) per Babe Ruth rules.
 - Pitchers: Pitch Count AND Innings
- 8:47 pm** **Minors Rules (10u)** **Viera**
- Time limit is 100 minutes.
 - Language change to the plays made at the plate.
 - Minimum playing time rules play three inning and at least one at bat.
- 8:58 pm** **Rookies Rules (8u)** **Viera**
- Time limit is 90 minutes.
 - Changes to base running rules.
 - All teams must field a catcher.
- 9:19 pm** **District Zones** **Viera**
- Letters were be sent to players that are out of the league geography
- 9:20 pm** **Treasurer's Report** **DiGeorge**
- Cash balances are sufficient to cover Spring uniforms
 - Accounts receivable balances went up because it now includes Spring Storm
- 9:22 pm** **Marketing and Public Relations** **Viera**
- Instagram and Facebook promotions counting down until the start of the season
 - Would like to rebrand the OBR logo for future seasons.

- 9:24 pm Partnership Updates Quill**
- New Grills sponsorship
 - Open Door has expressed an interest in becoming a sponsor
 - Kona Ice will set up a truck on Saturdays at Trotters
- 9:26 pm Sport's For Kids DiGeorge**
- Organization runs charitable events; can provide scholarships for players
- 9:30 pm Open Board Positions Viera**
- The Executive Board can appoint open positions. Current positions include Director of Partnerships, Storm Director, and Field Manager (Crosby).
 - May eliminate the Director of Partners and create it as a committee. Charles Rutterbush and Wanda Quill would be interested in joining this committee.
 - Storm Director: Dan McGaw and Carrie Powers are interested in the spot.
 - Field Manager of Crosby: Reviewing expenses and obtaining additional revenue sources to offset the overhead.
- 9:37 pm OBR Trainer – Michael Derr Viera**
- Mr. Derr has asked for cage time on Sundays. However, in the past he has not wanted to pay a rental fee for the usage of OBR facilities. The League has asked if he would be willing to host a free clinic, and his compromise was providing the League access to his YouTube videos.
 - Two letters were provided by parents supporting the use of Michael Derr as a trainer at OBR facilities.
 - At the time Mr. Derr discontinued his services at the OBR facilities in the Fall, he had around 16 players use his services. However, the League is looking for ways for training partners that benefit the entire league.
 - Vote: Motion for the League does not make a decision on Michael Derr's league utilization until he attends a Board meeting. This motion was approved.
- 9:51 pm Cupid Turbo Viera**
- The event was successful and there were a lot of compliments
- 9:53 pm Adjournment**

Next Board Meeting is March 11, 2018 at **7:00pm (new time)**