



Board Meeting
Sunday, September 16th, 2018
7:00pm @ CWA

Attendance:

Bobby Hopper, Charles Rutterbush, Dan Kempinger, Dan McGaw, Don Quill, Frank Kempinger, Frank Malatesta, James Savino, Jessica Kepple, Meredith DiGeorge, Michael Campbell, and Robert Viera

7:05 pm Welcome & Introductions Robert Viera

- A quorum of eleven board members are present (one board member arrived after the election)

7:05 pm Approval of Previous Minutes Robert Viera

7:09 pm Election of the Executive Board Positions Robert Viera

- Two Nominees for the role of Vice President: Frank Malatesta and Carrie Powers
 - Frank Malatesta won the nomination
- One Nominee for the role of Vice President of Marketing: James Savino who was re-elected
 - Director of Public Relations, Director Advertising, and the Writer are all roles that are presently unfilled and report to the Vice President of Marketing
- Dan McGaw was nominated as Director of Advertising

7:22 pm Treasurer's Report Meredith DiGeorge

- Opening day raffle generated over \$600. Still waiting on the amount raised by Kona Ice and Jeremiah's Italian Ice.
- A P&L from July 1st through September 16th was distributed in the meeting.
- Fall season:
 - Need to complete an inventory of catcher's gear to see what can be replaced.
 - Game balls need to be ordered. It was recommended to have league policies regarding ball management be communicated due to the high cost of the game balls (\$4/each) that disappear after games.
 - Michael Campbell will follow up with how much game saver and chalk is needed.
- Uniform costs increased for Fall 2018 versus Fall 2017 by approximately \$2,000 due to adding the advertisements on the back. The sponsors name on the shirts cost \$5/shirt.
- Fall accounts receivable is approximately \$4,000, but the majority is on payment plans.

- 7:55 pm Sponsorships Charles Rutterbush for Jen Dollar**
- Jen Dollar and Wanda Quill have ordered banners for some of the league's new sponsors.
 - Discussed strategies for engaging coaches and parents to generate new sponsors to the league.
- 8:08 pm Opening Day Charles Rutterbush**
- Special thanks to all the volunteers that made opening day successful.
 - Looking for a candidate to fill the volunteer coordinator position.
 - Will investigate volunteer coordinating websites to assist with Spring Opening Day volunteer management.
- 8:11 pm Registration Robert Viera**
- 213 baseball signups for Fall 2018
 - The game and practice schedules were delayed in being posted online, but should now be available.
 - Robert Viera and Frank Kempinger will work together on the spring scheduling and will try to communicate it with spring advertisements.
- 8:33 pm T-Ball Rules Dan McGaw**
- Presented changes to remove coach pitch language, adding the requirement of wearing helmets, base running language, and updated the game length to a maximum of 60 minutes.
 - Robert Viera recommended changing the language from 10 players on the field to all players in the line up to be on the field.
 - Rule changes were approved.
- 8:40 pm Rookies Changes Charles Rutterbush**
- Defining the overthrow rule with a clarification on the language
 - Adding language on using the pitching machine
 - Clarification on the rule for late player arrivals
- 8:48 pm Minors Changes Robert Viera**
- USA Pitch Count Link is in GameChanger, and has larger rest times than what the league has allowed
 - Robert inquired with the other Central Florida Babe Ruth teams to see how they manage pitch count and there was no consensus.
 - Robert will be adding a pitch count chart to the rules. Previously there was no exhibit. Robert will be utilizing the Babe Ruth Tournament chart.
- 9:02 pm Player Safety Robert Viera**
- Need to order instant ice packs
 - First Aid kits need to be checked
- 9:04 pm Pool Players**
- Recommending that Rookie players are not utilized for Minors games during the Fall; just take players from Minors that are not playing that day or Storm players
- 9:06 pm Parent Player Game**
- Need to get it on the schedule; tentatively planning for October
- 9:07 pm Fall Mashup**
- Might to be fun to have on a Saturday and include the Storm players

9:08 pm Marketing

- Instagram and Facebook posts detailing player accomplishments

9:09 pm Trotters

- Have someone scheduled to take trash on Thursday and Saturday
- Need to send a reminder to the Managers to lock up the gates and the shed
- Signage will need to be zip tied
- We can no longer use the corrugated board, but have to use a mesh banner

9:14 pm Storm Updates

- 8u went 2-2 this weekend and picked up four players
- 9u went 2-0 today and only gave up 4 hits today
- 10u went 1-1 today
- 11u was off this weekend
- 12u was 2-0 today
- 14u is 1-0-2 in Cobra
- 15u doesn't start until October

9:17 pm Commissioner Stewart

- Requested any used equipment the league could provide

9:18 pm Edgewater High School Parade

- Event is Friday October 5th
- Robert Viera will clear the schedule to ensure all the players can attend the parade
- Players will need to bring their own candy to distribute
- Players will meet up at the Church on the Drive and their parents will pick them up at Edgewater High School

9:20 pm Adjournment

Next Board Meeting will be held on Sunday October 14, 2018.