

**North Haven Girls Softball League
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, September 10, 2015**

Location & Time: NHGSL Clubhouse 6:30 PM

Agenda/Purpose:

- Comments/Complaints
- 2015 Season Review
- Board Positions
- Insurance & Background Checks
- Clinics
- Fundraising
- Concession Stand

Board Member Attendance: President, Treasurer, Secretary, Umpire in Chief, Tee Ball/Ponytail Rep, Middle School Rep, Junior Division Rep, and Player Development Rep

Comments/Complaints

We reviewed the comment letters and e-mails received through the website, including a request to use the fields when we have the permit to use them from an AAU team located in Cheshire, CT. The board agreed we already have a limited amount of use of the softball complex and could not accommodate the request.

2015 Season Review

- MS Division Rep – Talked about possibly rebalancing teams each year, and giving the girls T-Shirts instead of Trophies at the end of the year.
- Umpire in Chief – Also went well and was improved from the 2014 season. Challenging when we had a lot of games at the same time. There was a need to ensure all umpires are familiar with the rules.
- Tee Ball/Ponytail Rep – Went well overall, need to have better balance with first and second year players in the Ponytail Division. Also suggested looking into Clinics by team in addition to all together.
- Junior Division – Overall it went well, with one coaching issue that needed to be dealt with.
- Travel Coordinator – 2015 went okay, teams still need more development, and 2016 teams have been selected. No cuts at the 10U level, but there were a number of cuts at the 12U and 14U level, 15 players made the 12U team and 12 players made the 14U team.
- Secretary – Registration went well and no issues with maintaining the website. Suggestion was made for one in-person registration instead of 2 for the 2016 season.

- Treasurer – The treasurer provided the annual report that indicated our fund balance declined \$5,000 during the 2015 season.
- Player Development Rep – Coaches clinics went well, also received more pitching and hitting clinic requests from coaches.

Board Positions

Motion: The Player Development Rep made a motion to create a new executive board position titled Travel Coordinator.

Second: The Middle School Rep seconded the motion.

Vote: All in favor.

Motion: The Treasurer made a motion to nominate Walt to be the Vice President

Second: The Player Development Rep seconded the motion.

Vote: All in favor

Motion: The current Treasurer made a motion to nominate Rob to be the Treasurer

Second: The newly elected Vice President seconded the motion.

Vote: All in favor

Motion: The Treasurer made a motion to nominate Jen as the Secretary.

Second: The President seconded the motion.

Vote: All in favor

The following positions remained open at this time: Tee Ball/Ponytail Rep, Jr. Division Rep, and Umpire In Chief

Insurance & Background Checks

Our insurance covers us from September through September for all events, and we need to ensure background checks are performed for all coaches and volunteers that interact with the players.

Clinics

We discussed the format and age breakdown for clinics. We will look into options to discuss at a future meeting.

Fundraising

The President will send out a email notice of interest to see if there are any parents interested in taking the lead on fundraising.

Concession Stand

A brief discussion on the options for the concession stand was held and the newly elected Treasurer indicated he has a potential individual that may be interested. He will check and let the President know.

Meeting with First Selectman

The President, Umpire in Chief, and Jr. Rep met with the first selectman and discussed a number of items, including lights for field 3 and other field/park improvements.

Our next board meeting will be October 1, 2015, 6:30 pm.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made at 8:30 PM by the Preident, Seconded by the Umpire in Chief, all in favor.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Rob Manzo,
Board Secretary**