Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

CLLL Board Meeting November 1, 2016, 7:00 p.m.


Absent: Robert Wright

1. Report on the District 16 meeting, on October 30, 2016: JJ Bolton


Results:

- President: JJ Bolton
- Vice President (Scheduling): Jeff Kelman
- Vice President (Rules and Constitution): Kris Kramer
- Player Agent (NL): Jennifer Sweeney
- Player Agent (AL): Julie Majkowski
- Players Agent (tee ball – rookie): Chuck Yeager
- Treasurer: Dean Daisy
- Secretary/Director of Fundraising: Kelly Shue
- Umpire in Chief: Robert Wright
- Coaching Coordinator: Wallace Jackson
- Director of Facilities: Jim Quarantillo
- Director of Special Events: Lynda Griffin
- Director of Equipment: Caldwell Clarke
- Information Officer: Paul Karg
- Safety Officer: Ann Nordeen

JJ Bolton moved to approve the slate of new positions, Jeff Kelman seconded the motion; the new slate was approved. (14- yes; 0- no, no abstentions)

III. President’s Report:

- Desire to better publicize monthly board meetings.
- Discussion on opening first 15 minutes of the board meetings to the public and putting meeting minutes online
- Board members to identify a second position to back-up.
- Appointment of travel baseball team liaisons. JJ Bolton moved for Jeff Kelman to remain Stars liaison and Jim Q to serve as Aces liaison, Kelly Shue seconded the motion; motion was approved. (14- yes; 0- no, no abstentions)
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IV: New Business

Closing GTP for the season

- Determined Saturday, November 12, 2017 for field closure day.
- Equipment return at the same time.
- Travel organizations required to have at least 3 people/per team participate.
- Will communicate the date ASAP to allow for planning/participation of volunteers.

Fall Registration

- Fee structure
  - JJ Bolton moved to keep registration fees consistent with Spring 2016 fees, Kris Kramer seconded the motion; motion was approved. (14- yes; 0- no, no abstentions)
  - Registration to open on November 15, 2016 and close January 15, 2017. A late fee will be access from registrations from January 15, 2017 – January 31, 2017. Starting February 1, 2017 the waitlist will be put into effect for divisions A thru Majors. Registration will remain open for the younger divisions.
  - Will continue to utilize League Athletic Easy Merchant System.

Evaluations

- Discussion on using DST and Battacon as evaluation sites. Proposed dates; February 4 and 7, 2017. Second option. February 11 and 13, 2017. Kris Kelman to provide player agents with contact information at DST and Battacon.
- Aces travel club offering CLLL pre-evaluation clinics.

Possible Majors Expansion

- Due to new League Age rules, spring 2017 will see an influx of 11 and 10 year old players. This will have a huge impact on our Majors and AAA teams.
- Per Little League rules, no team can have more than 8 players per age group. This means that we would need to expand Majors from 10 to a possible 18 teams to accommodate all our 11 and 12-year old players. There are 86 LA 12 players (39 AL; 47 NL) and 147 LA 11 players (49 AL; 45 NL; 53 no designation) There are 110 LA 10 players.
- The current, 2016 Green book proposes three ways of dealing with expansion. (Pages 171-172.)
- Decision needs to be made in a timely fashion as coaches will need to be selected by late January to accommodate early February evaluations.
Constitution and Bylaws

- Desire to re-evaluate bylaws, most specifically in the areas of definition of volunteer; quorum; absentee balloting; annual meeting requirements.
- JJ Bolton suggested to VP of Rules/Constitution Kris Kramer, the creation of a sub-committee for the purpose of addressing these topics.

Equipment and Uniforms

- Desire to investigate options outside of Cheers.
- Cost-effective possibilities through Coangelo – direct contact made by CLLL.

Field Maintenance

- Proposals requested for field work at GTP to include fixing drainage at Founders and Barrett; restoration; day-to-day maintenance.
- Jim Quarantillo to obtain the field need list prepared by Bobby Ferarro.
- Looking to work with ECHO for beautification projects at GTP. Gives back to the community.

Concession Stand

- Aces 11u (Sloyer) requested approval to continue to run the stand as it did in 2016.
- Discussion of travel team volunteerism vs. CLLL running the stand.
- Currently 15% of sales comes to CLLL.
- Will get back to Aces after looking for CLLL volunteers to take over.

Coaching Coordinator Report

- Pressing need to deal with coaching problems. Most recent problems concerning inappropriate dealings with on-field umpires.
- Need to issue time-of-incident, verbal warnings.

Umpire Pay Scale

- To be addressed, along with training, at the December Meeting.
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2016 All-Star Affidavits

- Need to handle affidavits in a way that protects player confidential information
- JJ motioned for the purchase of a safe to hold affidavits, Kramer seconded the motion, motion approved. (14- yes; 0- no, no abstentions)

JJ motioned to adjourn, Kelman seconded. Motion approved. (14- yes; 0- no, no abstentions)

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 6, 2016