

Coginchaug Little League Minutes

October 14,2014

Call to Order: 730pm

Attendance: Tom Wenchell, Deb Kulpik, Scott Strang, Danielle Kleczkowski, Rick Quirk, Carolyn Racki, Andy Kleczkowski, Mike Mancini, Nick Faiella, John Kelly, James Caramanello, Renee Donlan, Amy Moore, Michelle Wenchell, John Leonard, Amy Pitruzzello, Glenn Pitruzzello, Rick Mach, Steve DeMartino, Susan Courchesne, Bill Biro

Motion to approve minutes from meeting 9/9/14 by John Leonard, 2nd by James Caramanello, all approved.

Durham Fair: Rick Quirk reported that the fair had a profit of \$11,300.

Treasurer Report:

- Checking balance is \$13,403.41
- All bills paid to date
- Bonus check of \$100 to Kristopher Copeland for scheduling umpires
- Capital Bankcard will not be increasing their processing fees, as previously reported. Currently pay 2.49%.
 - Could possibly do a seasonal account accepting credit cards for a fee of \$75 plus a seasonal rate of \$7 per month
 - Board will discuss and decide at a later date. Tabled.
- Deb Kulpik completed the cost breakdown of uniforms and the All Star uniforms cost exceeds fees charged to play (cost is currently approximately \$75 per uniform). Tabled.
 - Board will continue to discuss raising fee for All Stars, possibly above \$50 this spring

Fall Ball Review:

- Softball: 3 out of 4 tournaments completed, Minors are at 500 for the season, developing nicely, may consider a different league for next year.
- 50-70: had 2 teams, 700 for season wins, good competition in league, a little expensive but reimbursement for umpires for home games helped offset some costs.
- Majors boys: Teams have been stronger in the league for 2 years in a row. Maybe look into a different league next year.
 - District tournament starting on 10/15/14. We are hosting. Double elimination. Saturday will be a big day for concessions-need board help-will make a significant profit if concessions can be open all day.
- Minors boys: Not competitive, won 1 game. One team of 19 kids. This went well, cycled through rosters, only 12 kids at each game.
- Majors girls: Only lost 2 games, one of them was to the AAU team, the Sting.

Fields: John Leonard to organize the closure of fields. Peckham will be ready to close on 10/26, Atwell on 11/2, Herzog on 10/22 and JV and Varsity on 11/2.

Concessions: Renee D.- not enough help through the season, we are losing money because stand is not open. Board to discuss assigning teams for next season.

Safety: Used up most of the ice packs, will buy more in Spring.

New Board Positions

President: Steve D. nominated Scott Strang, All in favor

Vice President: Nick F. nominated Steve D., All in favor

Treasurer: Danielle K. nominated Deb Kulpik, All in favor

Secretary: Michelle W. nominated John Leonard, All in favor

Durham Fair Director: Deb K. nominated Rick Quirk, All in favor

Player Agent: Boys, girls and 50-70: Steve D. nominated John Kelly, All in favor

Director Majors Softball: Nick F. nominated Mike Mancini, All in favor

Director Majors Baseball: Scott S. nominated Nick Faiella, All in favor

Director Minors Softball: Steve D. nominated Deb Mariani, All in favor

Director Minors Baseball: Scott S. nominated Joe Fournier, All in favor

Director Farm girls: no nominees

Director Farm boys: Rick Q. nominated Andy Kleczkowski, All in favor

Director T-Ball: no nominees

Director of Sponsorships: Nick F. nominated Rick Murphy, All in favor

Director of Scheduling: Scott S. nominated Amy Pitruzzello, All in favor

Director of Equipment, Baseball: Bill B. nominated Keith Pascarelli, All in favor

Director of Equipment, Softball: Danielle K. nominated Bill Biro, All in favor

Director of Fields: Steve D. nominated Rick Mach, All in favor

Director of Safety: Scott S. nominated James Caramanello, All in favor

Director of Registrar and Website: Michelle W. nominated Amy Moore, All in favor

Information officer: Michelle W. nominated Carolyn Racki, All in favor

Concessions Director: Steve D. nominated Renee Donlan, All in favor

Concessions Treasurer: Tom W. nominated Glenn Pitruzzello, All in favor

Director of Juniors, Softball: no nominees

Director of 50-70, baseball: no nominees (possibly Campbell Barrett??)

Danielle K. will head up scholarship committee

New Business:

- Scott S. will not run fall ball next year-needs new help-will continue to assist 50-70
- Girls majors and minors are doing tryouts on 10/20/14 and 10/29/14 for Spring season – should put this on the announcements for schools

Scott Strang thanked Tom Wenchell for his hard work as President of Cuginchaug Little League. Cuginchaug Little League had unprecedented success while under Tom's leadership, earning 6 banners in the last 4 years, only 4 total banners won during the previous 20 years. Tom was involved in getting the concession stand built. Tom worked to retain kids in playing baseball, despite other competing sports. Tom also assisted in getting the softball dugouts redone, getting the 50-70 program started and starting the softball fall ball program. Thanks Tom for your leadership throughout the years!

Meeting closed: 8:32 pm, Bill Biro nominated, Amy Moore 2nd, All in favor.