

Coginchaug Little League Minutes

3/10/15

Attendees: Renee Donlan, Amy Pitruzello, Mike Mancini, John Kelly, Rick Quirk, Deb Kulpik, Rick Mach, John Leonard, Andy Kleczkowski, Steve DeMartino, Bill Biro, Eric Meliso, James Caramanello, Deb Mariani, Scott Strang, Joe Fournier

Call to Order 7:32 pm.

February meeting minutes are posted on web site.

Director's reports:

Mike Mancini (girl's majors): 3 teams this season, down from 4. Pitching Clinic didn't get a lot of girls. Might get to 17-18. We will play games against nearby towns. Likely same towns playing us as last year. Snow conditions will mean a late start. Tony Calcagni (CRHS softball) came out for 1st hour of pitching clinic.

Deb Mariani (girls minors): 3 teams, draft held last night. Talked to Billings Sports about uniforms, will do a shirt sizing.

Andy K (for boys minors and farm) –placement is in process. Will play other towns. Will have AAA, AA, Farm teams. 3 AAA, 5 AA, 4 A teams likely. May need extra jerseys in case of mid-season changes. We do not have enough managers and coaches. Joe Fournier will work to explain the benefits of this system.

James C (girls farm): 3 teams, 29 girls so far. Maybe a couple more girls signing up. 3 managers lined up.

Other topics:

Uniforms: Should be parity between boys and girls. Farm teams should get socks. Nick has ordered the boys uniforms. Girls directors to forward info to Nick. He will be asked to get multiple quotes.

Concessions start up: open house planned for week before opening day. Concessions account has money. Need to order some things early.

Managers-coaches:

- 50 /70: List approved unanimously. Managers: John Kulpik, Dana Arnold. Coaches: Scott Strang, Steve DeMartino, Mike Copeland, Keith Pascarelli, Bill Biro, Campbell Barrett, Bob Case
- Girls majors: assistants approved unanimously. Managers: Scott Strang, Mike Mancini, Steve DeMartino. Coaches: Tom Boothroyd, John Kelly, James Caramanello, Mario Milardo, Mike Donlan, Troy Turner, Curtis Ryer, Paul Wiedenman, Bob Case
- Girls Minors: list approved unanimously. Managers: James Caramanello, Mike Kane, Deb Mariani. Coaches: Breyer, Poturnicki, Sambor, Biro, Albin, Hultgren, Kulpik, Alfano, DePonte
- Girls farm.: TBD.

- Boys majors: (Managers were approved in previous meeting.) Coaches: DiLeone, Lipka, Rovelli, Cassarino, Fournier, Lecza, Mach, Meliso, Fraulino, Faiella, Albanese, Garofalo, Konopka. Approved unanimously.
- Boys minors: TBD.
- Boys farm: Not ready yet.
- T-ball: not ready yet.

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On web site. We will review and approve at next meeting.

Financial Summary

Checking account balance is \$29,167.13.

Need to get information about sponsor status. Deb will reach out to Rich Murphy.

Volunteer forms needed.

Birth certificates needed. We will have to get with Amy Moore for that. Need to log and file.

Opening day committee needs to meet. Renee got Memorial School choir lined up. Need to ask a religious leader. Suggested to ask Dale Azavedo again. Steve to invite Laura Francis, Deb to invite Jon Brayshaw. We will play coaches' game during opening day. (Possibly the following day.) Need to decide field. Possibly the high school field. But away from the concessions stand is best in case of hits over outfield fence.

Scholarship: application requests information that applicants don't have yet. Should probably revise next year. Too late to do anything for this year.

Coaches meetings. We should have a meeting for each division. Go over the rules, safety, etc. Can also hand out the equipment then. Steve available to attend. He can also provide notes and templates from previous years.

Safety: Every equipment bag needs to have a safety kit. Need to make sure each bag is properly equipped.

Fields: six quotes for lawn mowing. Cheapest total cost was Quality Landscaping.

Indoor practice idea proposed, since fields will be snowy and/or wet for a while. We will shelve for now due to the cost. League may be able to subsidize if individual teams want to pitch in their own.

Field maintenance day: tentative schedule for March 28. At least for windscreens and signs. More if the conditions allow.

Adjourned@ 8:57. Deb motion, Renee second.