



Goleta Valley South Little League  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
October 12, 2010

John Nisbet called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

*Motion and Second to approve the September 7, 2010 minutes. Motion carried.*

**Guest Speaker: Tyler Nichoson**

· As his final project for Eagle Scouts, Tyler chose to re-model the Minor Field Scorekeeper/Announcer Booth. He replaced the roof, worn siding, interior dry wall, desk, cabinets and paint, which had not been replaced for 30 years! It is truly a brand new structure. Thank you Tyler!

**President's Report: John Nisbet**

· BOD Meeting Minutes will be added to GVSSL website beginning this month. Members should be able to access and have knowledge of league activity.

**Treasurer's Report: Gary Furukawa**

· Historically, the League has been just breaking even from year to year. Last year, registration fees were raised \$10.00 to help offset the shortfall. We will not see a build-up of this year's financials until registration in February 2011.  
· Discussion re: building the League's cash flow, being fiscally responsible, reduction in spending on equipment & field maintenance.

*Motion and Second to approve the August checks (#5311-5340) and September checks (#5341-5358). Motion carried.*

**2010 Fall Ball Report: Drew Hawn:**

The season is progressing well. Kids are happy!

**Artificial Turf - Subcommittee Report: Gary Furukawa**

· Committee met on 10/4/10. The cost of the artificial turf will be a gift to the League donated by the Furukawa Family.  
· Discussion: What areas to turf? The Committee is recommending we turf the infield and foul ball areas of the Minor and Major fields at this time. Also to turf the Junior field batting cage. The Junior field is somewhat in question since the Junior Division is relatively small, and we have been combining with DPLL and Pony lately to create a viable Junior Division. The BOD

should work on solidifying a program with the other leagues and determine which fields we will use for the Junior Division games. Once that has been determined we can revisit what we should do about our Junior field, if anything. Another consideration for GVSLL and all the other leagues is the option of 50-70 divisions. This should be worked into whatever decisions are made moving forward.

- A financial policy should be adopted by the Board to allow for maintenance and ultimately replacement of the turf in 13 years. Treasurer will provide the Board with a long term financial plan for review. The SB County permit process will take 30-45 days. Project should begin by November 30, with a 60 day installation process. Projected completion date: January 2011.

***Motion and Second submitted to the Board by the Subcommittee reads as follows:***

***The Minor and Major infields and foul ball areas, and Junior Batting Cage will be covered in Artificial Turf, cost being underwritten by the Furukawa Family. The League will put together a financial policy which will include, among other things, approximately \$12k yearly to be segregated and placed in a Capital Fund and earmarked for maintaining & replacing the fields in the future.***

***Motion Carried.***

**Rules/Policies – Subcommittee Report: Dan Feldhaus**

- Committee will meet on 10/21/10 and continue the process of pinpointing items to update. Focus will be to make sure the Manager's Handbook and League by-laws are consistent with each other and update rules for current practices. Committee would like to have the process complete by November meeting.

**Concessions Manager – Subcommittee Report: Steve Woodward**

- Committee met on 10/5/10 and recommends that the Concessions Manager remain an unpaid position. Reasoning includes: workers compensation, insurance, liability and general risk to the League as an employer.
- The committee recommends a "Team Approach": Concessions Manager, Purchasing/Vendor Relations, Scheduling, Team Moms (teams would be assigned specific days – and held responsible for filling shifts). Other ideas include not offering grilled/fried food certain days to eliminate the need for an extra volunteer per shift.
- JN asks committee to lead the search for someone to fill this position/s.
- Kristin Quezada & Dick Drew joined committee.

**2010/2011 Schedule Discussion: Rachel Shalhoob**

- Proposed changes for upcoming Season: The goal is to be done with all games by Memorial Day weekend. This will include fewer practice games, no games scheduled on Mother's Day or during Spring Break, and hopefully will eliminate conflicts with Page Youth Center Basketball. Regular season would end 1 week earlier to allow extra time for rain make-ups and for a break between All Stars.
- Board asks RS to illustrate the 'big picture.' The proposed schedule will be on hold pending review.

**Division Officer Reports – none during off season.**

**Sponsorships & Grants: Paul Peterson**

- Will meet with former officer, gather last year's data base and begin the search!

**Equipment Manager: Dick Drew**

May be missing some equipment; umpire gear, especially. Inventory will be assessed and replaced as necessary.

**Special Events Coordinator: Kristin Quezada**

- KQ presented new fundraising ideas – tennis ball drop, golf tournament, pancake breakfast, raffle, car wash.
- Would like to improve existing raffle; possibilities include offering different/larger prizes, distributing the raffle tickets earlier and having them due at least a week before Opening Day festivities.
- A draft of the solicitation letter was presented for edits; discussion re: coordinating with Sponsorship/Grants (to avoid asking twice), a final draft will be submitted to the Board for approval at a later date.
- Board is asked to provide a list of 5 possible vendors/contacts to add to the Solicitation list. The current list/spreadsheet will be emailed to the Board to work from.

*Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm by John Nisbet.*

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 2, 6pm.  
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Respectfully submitted,  
Melissa Frank.