

**Meeting Minutes Pembroke Youth Baseball & Softball, Nov. 15, 2020 15:00 @ Mattakeset Fields**

Attendance: James Cooley, Ian Campbell, Carly Levy, Ray Levy, Dan Baker, Dan Sculley, Lance Kennedy, John Ward, Matt Rushing, Kevin Drea, Darren MacDonald

- 1) We should have a fall season every season
- 2) A reminder that we are here for every kid of every ability
- 3) We had a great fall season, especially as it pertains to keeping with COVID precautions and safety
- 4) We need to recruit new board members
  - a) Chris Libbey attended and was interested in Social Media position
  - b) Two other parties were interested
  - c) John Mahoney interested in Instructional League Division Director
  - d) We still looking for some people for certain positions
    - i) Ray Levy will become Registrar meaning we will need a new Secretary
    - ii) We need a Director of the Snack Bar
    - iii) We need a Town Liaison
- 5) Fields
  - a) Fields are in good shape and everything has been secured for the winter
  - b) Carly asked for volunteers to help with the new shed for softball
  - c) Coaches should line the fields before games
  - d) We should put out the word to schools that students that need volunteer community service hours should contact us
- 6) Finances
  - a) We ended with a surplus of \$386.00
- 7) Review of Leagues
  - a) Instructional and A League
    - i) Very successful attendance and popularity
    - ii) A good number of coaches
    - iii) Need an Instructional/A (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade) softball league or team
    - iv) Ray thinks all players Pre-K through 1<sup>st</sup> grade should start in Instructional their first year
  - b) AA League
    - i) There are 2 teams of 13 with a lot of coaches
    - ii) Ray wished there were more teams with fewer players
    - iii) Not many kids were able to pitch and not much of a need for outfielders
    - iv) Ability gap because kids were playing in a league months earlier than they usually do

- c) AAA League
  - i) Season went very well
  - ii) Games need to start on time
  - iii) Many parents pulled their kids from the league for some unknown reason before the playoffs and teams were left short handed
- d) Major League
  - i) Tight on players
    - (1) Needed to use 7<sup>th</sup> graders to fill gaps
  - ii) Kids did get a lot of playing time
- e) Babe Ruth League
  - i) Great season
  - ii) Good experience for kids of all abilities and good sportsmanship was shown by the participants
- f) Softball
  - i) Oldest players (grades 7-10?)
    - (1) Great season
    - (2) Other teams did not want to play in Pembroke because of COVID rules (masks)
    - (3) Pembroke did not want to play in other towns due to lack of COVID rules (no masks)
  - ii) Grades 5/6
    - (1) Some conflicts with flag football
    - (2) Season went very well
  - iii) Grades 3/4
    - (1) Good season
    - (2) Would like to start and Instructional/Grade 1&2 team

8) We still want to have clinics for coaches

9) Spring Season

- a) Start registration December 15<sup>th</sup>
  - i) \$125.00 for Instructional – AA
  - ii) \$145.00 for AAA
  - iii) \$165.00 for Majors
  - iv) \$185 for Babe Ruth
  - v) Increase fee in February
  - vi) Create a wait list in March
  - vii) Softball fees should be the same/similar
- b) Have the clinic at the Rec Center in March
  - i) Should include Instructional League
- c) Season runs from April through June
- d) Club Teams will play on Saturday and Sunday mornings
  - i) Need to address COVID compliance and field maintenance with clubs

10) Fundraising

a) Need COVID friendly fundraisers

i) Pavers

ii) Social media sponsor of the week campaign

iii) Sell PYB and PYS apparel for holidays

iv) Paint driveways

(1) Ray and Carly will get details about how PYH did this promotion from JT