

## Kingston/Forty Fort Little League Board of Directors

**Location: Kingston Rec Center**

**Date: December 13th 7pm**

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Attendance: Bruce Birnbaum, Joe Evan, Brian Kopec, Brian Wilson, Albert Thomas, Meredith Falchek, Becky Evans, Steve Klem, Steve Alvaro, Jerry Matlowski, Kristen Stevenson, Herb Tietje, Mark Shovlin and Jamie Sgarlat.

Call to Order-Bruce

President's message-Bruce

It was discussed with Steve Klem and Kristen that the only information that will be posted on the website will be attendance and any motions that were passed.

Treasurer's report – motion to accept Albert Thomas, second Becky Evans – all in favor

Try-out date--Tuesday-March 7<sup>th</sup> - We have the armory from 4pm to 10pm. Proof of insurance needs to be given to Peter Wood. Williamsport also needs to be contacted to put Valley West back on the insurance for use of the Dana Street school for practice.

Picture Bids---Meredith

- Looking to do outdoor pictures this year, best package with adding fundraising price in is Photography by Andy. Motion to add \$3.00 into the package price for fundraising Becky Evans, second Brian Wilson – all in favor

- Discussion in the future to pick a week and give a picture day to each division.

#### Snow removal--Tripp Street

- Jamie and Jerry will make sure that this is done after a storm.
- Jerry also needs help to get the pitching screens and tarp put away if anyone is available please reach out to Jerry.

#### Fund raising tickets

- Will do this for the nighttime pick 3 daily number (no wild).
- 3 - \$10 tickets will bring in \$10,000, drawings to be done on Saturday's / Sunday's during the month of June (10 dates)
- \$200 dollar winner (9 votes) / \$250 dollar winner (1 vote)
- If anyone is interested in donating to offset the cost of the tickets let Bruce know. (Bruce and Rich so far are donating). Albert Thomas said Plymouth Graphics will also go in with Bruce and Rich to offset the cost of printing.
- \$50 to print the tickets extra \$20 for them to staple them in packs of 3. Photo Shoot (Becky) will donate the \$25 for the writing on the back with the photography logo.

#### All star committee report-Bruce

- Selection of shirt and hat now up to the commissioner and not the manager.
- Stand fee will be in the registration fee
- Will meet again in January and have a packet ready for February

#### # of players and who decides

- Suggested that we need to educate the parents and the child about what having 12 players vs 13 players means, before the all star teams are picked.
- Each league can have a different number of players per team
- Back and forth discussion of who should be able to say the number of players (coaches, managers, or commissioners)

- Decided that the commissioner will bring a recommendation to the board meeting in May prior to the picks. We at that time will then know the talent and the number of kids.

#### Fundraiser report---Becky

- Hoodies/Shirts set up on PayPal account every item has gone up a dollar in cost to cover the paypal cost.
- Looking to discuss other ideas for fundraising (Great Wolfe Lodge, Hershey Park, etc)
- Albert to look at pricing for DryFit , Nike hoodies/shirt

#### O'Hara field usage---Next Level & Holy Redeemer

- Holy Redeemer wants to play freshman baseball at O'Hara, all proceeds from the stand will come back to the league and field maintenance will be done by them.
- They would like to start as soon as they can and will end when Juniors starts.
- HR will practice after school from 4-5:30/6
- Next Level is also looking to use the field one night during the week and weekend.
- Brought up that there needs to be communication between the NL and Herb.
- Field availability for NL will be determined on a weekly basis for Sunday's and during the week based on the schedule at O'Hara.
- Tripp Street should be available for NL (need to communicate)

#### Bataglia's equipment pick-up

Jerry will be picking up

## Website/registration---Steve Klem

- Prices are in and are correct.
- Set up for registration to begin at midnight on 12/13
- Commissioners will email players to let them know that registration is open and what website to go to.
- Albert to send out letter that for additional \$ business logo can go on the website. Logo will be on the small ticker tape at the bottom of the website screen.
- Businesses will be able to sponsor a team or they can sponsor a team and for additional money have their logo on the website.
- \$25 for logo for the year only if you have a sponsor team or sign – motion to accept Becky, second Mark – all in favor

## Harvey's lake –update-Bruce/Joe Evan

- West Side agreed with us / Swoyersville is willing to play them as long as game time is 6pm
- Harvey's Lake would like to talk to Joe
- Looking to definitely not play them on a majors level
- Will agree to play them with other leagues if they agree to come to us – we will not go there. Problem with this though is when they came here last year they didn't have enough players to play the game. Also, the teams won't be playing each other the same amount of times, so we would be looking at an unbalanced schedule.

## New items up for discussion-

- Workman's comp will cover anyone that goes into the stand to work that is paid.
- Pepsi is going to take the coolers if we do not go with them again next year. Comparing prices with Coke.
- Letter from Nick regarding the stand is being put together to be handed out at registration. The part in the letter about being 16 years old needs to be changed to needing to be at least 18 years old.
- Herb looking for updates to O'Hara – some type of alarm system for the stand, irrigation to the infield, and a batting cage.

### Old items up for discussion-

- If you are registering for Seniors baseball you are going to register in Swoyerville, just like we do for Juniors. This way there is one person in charge with nothing crossing over.
- We are supplying players to Swoyersville, send them over with a copy of the charter. We in turn say the same thing to those coming from West Side, we want and need a copy of the charter because the school rule will not work.
- Need get a charter or will be unable to have a Seniors all star team.
- Scoreboard Sponsorship: Nissan Pollack sponsored Back Mountain and Harvey's Lake – contact Gary Peters
- 10 years money paid up front
- Go ahead with the letter from Becky for the back of the sign.
- Suggested that we get in touch with in town dealerships to see if they are willing to be a sponsor.
- Jerry to look and make a decision on what type of scoreboard to get so we know how much money we are asking for.

Meeting Schedule - next meeting January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Adjournment

