



**Board of Directors
March 26, 2018
Stamford JCC; 6:30pm**

Board Meeting #7 – Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the SALL Board of Directors was held at the Stamford JCC on 3/26/18.

In attendance:

Board Members: Mike Deenihan, Roger Watson, Robert Pascarella, Martin Vera, Robert Merturi, Robert Geisler, , Karen Montagnese, Jen Hanley

Regrets Received: Bob Katchko, Mike Gattuso, Mark DiMondo, John Gonzalez, Nick Montagnese, Dan Noto

Since both Co-Presidents could not attend the meeting, Roger Watson, Secretary, presided over the meeting.

Other Attendees: Rob Aiello, Irene Van Auken

#	Agenda Item
1	<u>Approve prior meeting draft minutes</u> Prior meeting minutes were approved. (Feb 12 and Feb 26)
2	<u>President's report</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- waivers – received email from Perry Pierce noting that waivers for EH and number of players on a team were approved.- Waiver regarding the number of board members serving as managers/coaches is in process- Field usage and permits – City field meeting is March 27. Bob Katchko and Martin Vera will be attending <p>The following field related follow-up items were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need to follow-up regarding the status of Vine Road field and the repair of the mound – Vine has been shut down since Labor Day 2017• Need to follow-up regarding the status of the batting cages at Vine• Metal posts near the bleachers at Vine need to be ground down to eliminate potential for injury• Need a new picnic table at Vine.
3	<u>Spring recruiting update</u> Jen Hanley provided an update - 257 kids thus far...numbers are coming in much better. Rob Aiello gave an update on specific recruiting efforts for AA ball, noting all the schools within our boundary are being covered.

4	<u>Snack Bar update</u> Research and a course of action is still underway. Board is exploring the potential of a hot dog truck vendor managing the snack bar.
5	<u>Treasurer's report</u> Bob Pascarella reviewed the league balance sheet and P&L, a copy of which had been circulated to all Board members prior to the meeting.
6	<u>Opening Day – April 22</u> Jen Hanley had provided a summary of the Opening Day plans prior to the meeting. The Board will explore having three food trucks on hand for opening day.
7	<u>Sponsorships and Fundraising</u> Mike Deenihan reported that team sponsorships have been completed. He is collecting on the remaining team sponsors. The Board will now focus on selling more banners.
8	<u>Discount Cards</u> Jen Hanley distributed the discount cards to the respective Commissioners, who will manage the distribution and collection of discount cards for their divisions. It was agreed by the Board that each player will be asked to sell three discount cards.
9	<u>Communication update</u> Jen Hanley gave an update on key communications. The Board members asked several questions to which Ms. Hanley and others responded.
10	<u>Umpire Coordinator update</u> Rob Geisler reported that the junior umpire clinics went very well. Pat Camarata, Head Umpire, is also planning an outdoor clinic for the junior umps. The Board agreed to pay the Head Umpire half of his fee in advance.
11	<u>Equipment Update</u> Martin Vera provided an update noting that jerseys have been ordered for all teams. Stickers have been obtained for application to bats that are less than 26 inches (for the younger divisions).
12	<u>Safety Update</u> John Gonzalez could not attend the meeting but had circulated an update to all Board members prior to the meeting. The District Safety clinic is April 3 – 7pm @ SHS
13	<u>Player Agent update</u> Karen Montagnese gave an update on the post-draft activities. The Board thanked Karen for managing the tryout process and for addressing the questions from parents relative to the Majors and AAA drafts.
14	<u>Majors update</u> Harry Moscolo, Majors Commissioner, did not attend the meeting. General discussion was that Majors activities are going well.
15	<u>AAA update</u> Robert Merturi noted that AAA indoor practices were going well. AAA looks to be very competitive again this year.
16	<u>AA update</u> Rob Aiello noted that the AA managers meeting is planned for April 11 at the JCC.
17	<u>A and T-ball update</u>

	Rob Aiello noted that a managers meeting will be planned for the A and T ball divisions.
18	<u>Spring Travel update</u> Rob Geisler gave an update on Spring travel baseball. The district scheduling meeting is planned for March 27.
19	<u>SALL Scholarships</u> Roger Watson reviewed the 2018 guidelines for the SALL scholarships, a copy of which had been circulated to all Board members prior to the meeting. The Board members emphasized that any scholarship winners must be present at the year-end banquet if they are to receive an award. The 2017 award presentation was extremely well-done, with each of the five recipients giving a memorable acceptance speech. The Board approved the guidelines.
20	<u>SALL Bylaws for 2018</u> Roger Watson reviewed the 2018 updated draft SALL Bylaws, a copy of which had been circulated to all Board members prior to the meeting. Discussion ensued. After deliberation, a motion was made to revise the draft Bylaws as shared prior to the meeting, relative to the All-Star team selection process, to have the players and rostered managers and coaches, select an equal number (5) of All-Star team members for the 11 and 12 year old teams. The motion was seconded and approved. The updated 2018 SALL Bylaws were unanimously approved.
21	<u>Review Calendar of Events</u> Roger Watson reviewed the updated SALL calendar of events, a copy of which had been circulated to all Board members prior to the meeting.
22	<u>Other business</u> - Spring clean-up – will be rescheduled to a date when the weather is better.
23	<u>Adjournment</u> The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

FUTURE MEETING DATES:

Mtg #8 – Monday, April 16