



Board of Directors Meeting
May 22, 2018
Location: Martin's office; 2777 Summer Street

Board Meeting #9 – Meeting Minutes

In attendance:

Board Members:

#	Name	Present?	#	Name	Present?
1	Mike Deenihan	yes	8	Robert Merturi	yes
2	Mark DiMondo	no	9	Karen Montagnese	no
3	Mike Gattuso	no	10	Nick Montagnese	no
4	Rob Geisler	yes	11	Dan Noto	no
5	John Gonzalez	yes	12	Robert Pascarella	yes
6	Jen Hanley	yes	13	Martin Vera	yes
7	Bob Katchko	no	14	Roger Watson	yes

League Members:

- Rob Aiello

Since there were no Presidents or Vice-President in attendance, Roger Watson presided over the meeting.

#	Agenda Item
1	<u>Approve prior meeting draft minutes</u> Prior meeting minutes were approved (4/16/18 meeting).
2	<u>District President's Meeting Recap</u> Mike Deenihan represented the league at the District Presidents meeting. Mike provided an update regarding upcoming key dates (See below for the full listing of key upcoming dates). He noted that the next District Presidents meeting would likely be June 19.
3	<u>Field Maintenance Update</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Batting Cage at Vine Bob Katchko did not attend the meeting. He shared via email that he is continuing to work on getting the gravel installed at the new Vine Batting cage.
4	<u>Playoff schedule</u> The playoff schedule has been established however the rain delays may push the schedule back. Marc Kinderman will be consulted regarding a potential change to the playoff schedule.

5	<p><u>All-Stars</u> Players for each of the 10u and 11u teams are set. Player agent Karen Montagnese is managing the voting and selection process for the 12u team.</p> <p>All-Star Managers are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Fenske – 12u • Mike Deenihan – 11u • George Velez – 10u
6	<p><u>Summer Friendship and Travel B</u> Fees for summer baseball will be \$100 – same as prior year. Registration will open this Friday, 5/25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob Aiello will be the point person for 7-8 • Jason Dube will likely be point person for 9-10 – (need to confirm with Jason)
7	<p><u>LaMotta Tournament</u> After a lengthy discussion, the Board decided to host only the 12u LaMotta Tournament. This is contingent upon the 12u parents volunteering to support the the execution of the tournament. The Vine snack bar will be operational for the tournament.</p> <p>The hosting of the 11u and 10u tournament will be offered to other district one leagues.</p>
8	<p><u>Treasurer’s report</u> Rob Pascarella circulated the financial update to all Board members prior to the meeting. He reviewed the financial highlights at the meeting.</p>
9	<p><u>Discount Cards Update</u> Discount card funds continue to be received. The league has made about \$5K on the discount cards thus far this year.</p>
10	<p><u>Communication update – Spring Awards Banquet</u> The IC is set for June 10 for the banquet. Attendee sign-ups have been sent out to the league. Jen Hanley is working on the yearbook with Vin Murace. Martin is ordering the trophies.</p> <p>Jen will send out a sign-up genius for volunteers to staff the banquet. We need to buy centerpieces for the tables. We need to get more raffle items for the banquet.</p>
11	<p><u>Umpire Coordinator update</u> Rob Geisler provided an update on the umpires. Rob is effectively managing the umpire staffing through the many rainouts.</p>
12	<p><u>Scholarships Update</u> Roger Watson provided an update on the scholarship applicants. A copy of each of their submissions had been circulated to the Board, prior to the meeting. The Board approved the following scholarship winners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caparizzo Scholarship – Matt Wirz • Cuscuna Scholarship – Anthony Rizzi <p>Roger will notify the recipients.</p>
13	<p><u>Equipment Update</u> Martin Vera provided an update noting that he is ordering the trophies, all-star jerseys and friendship jerseys within the next few days.</p>
14	<p><u>Safety Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board confirmed that John Gonzalez should get the AEDs up to date as soon as possible.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board advised John to complete an incident report for a recent injury in AAA. John will contact the Manager. • John noted that the ASAP report had been filed.
15	<u>Player Agent update</u> – Karen did not attend the meeting.
16	<p><u>Commissioner’s updates</u> Robert Merturi noted that the AAA season may be extended due to the many rainouts.</p> <p><u>Email Update from Mark DiMondo on the Lower Divisions:</u> I know tonight's meeting is primarily dedicated to the upper divisions. Thus, I am home resting up after surgery. I want to provide an update on the lower divisions.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Due to the rain outs, Tee Ball and Single A will end on Saturday morning, June 23rd. Closing ceremonies for Tee Ball are at Kane Field around 9:30 AM and Closing Ceremonies for Single A are also at Kane Field at 1:00 PM. Parents have been notified of all schedule changes and the SALL calendar reflects all schedule changes at the lower levels. 2. This Saturday, I am collecting Discount Card money from coaches at Single A. Mike Gattuso or I will bring all money to Mike Deenihan after collecting. (Bob Katchko has already handed his teams money to Mike D.) Parents have been notified that the deadline to get money back to coaches is this weekend. We also had some of our newest tee ball parents assist with sales at the tee ball level. We are collecting that money this weekend as well. 3. We have over 130 players at the two lowest divisions. It's the beginning of an outstanding future. We have three coaches for all eighth teams at the Single A level. Single A teams are now practicing once a week. At Tee Ball, we are recruiting a new fraternity of coaches during our "Tee Ball Saturday Jamboree". We have changed the structure of how Tee Ball Saturday works to distinguish it as a different program than Single A. It has been a great success. Thank you to Rob Aiello with his assistance with these changes. <p>During the summer, I plan to memorialize the numerous changes made at the two lowest levels and present some new ideas for these divisions during "all" seasons for 2019. My plan is to continue as commissioner of the two lowest divisions to provide the much needed stability at the lowest levels.</p> <p>Good luck to all during the upcoming 'house league' playoffs and all-star season.</p>
17	<p><u>Other business</u> Roger Watson provided an update on the installation of the Pepsi machines at each of the three fields. The electrical work has been completed and the machines will be delivered within the next week or so. Roger noted that we should begin planning/reserving gym space for the 2018-2019 winter clinics. Roger will contact the city regarding the painting of the Northrop dugouts.</p>
18	<p><u>Adjournment</u> The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.</p>

Key Upcoming Dates:

May 17 – All-Star Commitment Letters due back
May 19-20 – All-Star Voting Weekend – (Karen and Harry to manage)
May 21 – SALL Scholarship application due back
May 23 – All-Star Managers selected
May 28 – Memorial Day
May 30 – Majors and AAA Playoffs begin
June 1 – District Team Manager and rosters official announcement – (teams can begin practice)
June 1 – order All-Star jerseys
June 1 – Travel B/Friendship registration opens
June 2 – Mets Coaching Clinic
June 9 – Championship Saturday
June 10 – Year-end Banquet at the IC – “if” games
June 17 – Father’s Day
June 19 – District All-Stars Managers Meeting (affadavits/player verification form submitted) – 7pm
June 21 – Summer “B travel” scheduling meeting – 7:30p (B-travel is a district program that will culminate with a single elimination tourney in the last week of June - 12u, 11u, 10u and 9u)
June 22 – Mets Game (v. Dodgers) – players get free ticket and parade
June 22 – Friendship scheduling meeting – 7:30p
June 23 – End of season party for A-ball and T-ball
June 23 – All-Stars Opening Ceremony for District 1 at Scalzi – 12u skills challenge – 5pm start
June 23 – District Play begins
June 24 – first games for 10u and 11u
June 27 – first game for 12u
July 1 – 10u and 11u double elimination round begins
July 4 – 12u double elimination round begins
July 28 – Travel B finals
July 29 – Yankees Game – ½ price tickets and parade

Roger Watson
SALL Secretary