



**Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes from November 15, 2016**

A meeting of the SALL Board of Directors was held at the Italian Center in Stamford, CT, on 11/15/16.

In attendance:

Board Members: Mike Deenihan, Robert Geisler, John Gonzalez, Jen Hanley, Bob Katchko, Robert Pascarella, Martin Vera, Roger Watson, Nick Montagnese, Dan Noto

League members: none

Regrets received: Karen Montagnese, Robert Merturi

Meeting Commencement

Co-President Bob Katchko called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

1. Approval of 11/2/16 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mike Deenihan to approve the draft minutes of the 11/2/16 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Martin Vera and approved by all.

2. President's Report

Bob Katchko provided an update on league events including the status of the Mets Future Stars program. An announcement will be sent to the league within the next few days.

Nick Montagnese provided the following update from the District President's Meeting (update provided via email as President' meeting occurred subsequent to the Board meeting date):

- Chartering paperwork will be arriving in the mail soon and needs to be completed as soon as possible. The league insurance needs to be renewed as well.
- The ASAP Safety Plan needs to be filed with LL International. John Gonzalez will file the report.
- The tax return needs to be filed. Robert Pascarella will file the tax return (Form 990) in the coming days.
- Trumbull LL (two leagues in district 2) is currently in discussions to merge into one LL.
- [Blue Sombrero: Free Online Registration & Sports Websites](#) - Blue Sombrero is the official website for LL, its free, no fees, just 2 3/4 fees for credit card usage. The League will continue to evaluate the Blue Sombrero website. Since the league membership and registration process exists in the League One website, migrating to a different website will require extensive manual efforts to transfer the data to a new system.
- Our P&L can be mailed to the little league regional office, attention: Cory. Perry stated it could be a simple one page document. Robert Pascarella will submit a P&L.

3. Finalize Winter Clinic Plan

The Board finalized the plan for the winter clinics as follows:

7 and 8 Year Olds

- AITE on Wednesday nights from 6-730
- Jan 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, and Feb 1st, 8th, 22nd

9 and 10 Year Olds

- Stamford High School on Tuesday nights 7-8:30p
- Jan 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

- Bobby V's Camp Ave on Thursday nights 6-7:30p
- Feb 2nd, 9th, 23rd

11 and 12 Year Olds

- Fridays at Chelsea Piers 7:30-9:00p
- Jan 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th and Feb 3rd, 10th, 24th

4. Sponsorship and Fundraising

Mike Deenihan led the Board in a review of the listing of prior year sponsors. Mr. Deenihan also discussed the discount card program. The Board members asked a variety of questions to which Mr. Deenihan and others responded. The Board decided to increase each sponsorship fee category by \$50.

5. Recruiting Update

The Board discussed the significant decline in the number of players in the prior year, and discussed various options for increasing the number of kids for the upcoming season.

6. Equipment Update

Martin Vera shared a detailed report on the quantity of each type of equipment, currently on hand. The Board discussed the inventory listing, which will be used in determining equipment purchases for the Spring season.

7. Treasurer's Report

Bob Pascarella reported that the league has about \$10K in the checking account. He noted that he is reviewing prior-year tax returns (Form 990) to ensure the correct returns were filed for each year.

8. Communications Update

Jen Hanley noted that the website is being kept current with league news. Ms. Hanley noted that the announcement for the winter clinic registration will be sent out after Thanksgiving.

9. Other business

The Board discussed the plan to use Newfield School for the T-ball division in the Spring.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm. The next Board meeting is scheduled for 12/6/16.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Watson, Secretary