



**Board of Directors  
Meeting Minutes from December 20, 2016**

A meeting of the SALL Board of Directors was held at the Italian Center in Stamford, CT, on 12/20/16.

**In attendance:**

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

League members: Irene Van Auken

**Regrets received:** Bob Katchko

**Meeting Commencement**

Co-President Nick Montagnese called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

**1. Approval of 12/6/16 Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Martin Vera to approve the draft minutes of the 12/6/16 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Robert Merturi and approved by all.

**2. President's Report**

Nick Montagnese discussed the need to identify additional space for Spring practices. He noted that the next District President's meeting is January 12.

**3. Spring Registration Fees**

The Board discussed the registration fees for the 2017 season. The Board approved the following fees for the 2017 season:

T-Ball (ages 4-5):	\$80	AAA (ages 8-10):	\$185
A-Ball (ages 5-6):	\$115	Majors (ages 10-12):	\$185
AA (ages 7-8):	\$135		
<u>Note:</u> A payment plan option is available for all levels – pay in four monthly			

Early bird discounts will apply for two weeks, starting on 1/22 and ending on 2/5/17. Spring registration for Majors and AAA will close on 2/28/17.

**4. Sponsorship and Fundraising**

Mike Deenihan gave an update on sponsorships. The League will be sending out a Holiday card to prior year sponsors.

Dan Noto provided an update on the discount card program. Mr. Noto updated the Board on the businesses which have agreed to be included on the discount card and the ones which require follow-up. Mr. Noto and other Board members will follow-up to ensure the discount card is appealing to the community.

## **5. Recruiting**

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The public school flyer distribution process has changed as discussed in the link below:

- <http://www.stamfordpublicschools.org/district/public-affairs/pages/flyer-distribution>

## **6. Treasurer's Report**

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Bob Pascarella reported that the league has about \$11.6K 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.

## **7. Travel Ball**

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The Board discussed travel ball. Travel ball manager requests will be included when the request for regular season managers is distributed.

Robert Merturi, Travel Ball Commissioner, will oversee the travel ball manager and player selection process.

The Board also discussed the Majors and AAA draft process. This will be a topic for a future meeting.

## **8. Security Officer Update**

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John Gonzalez provided an update prior to the meeting noting that the ASAP report was substantially complete and will be filed with LL International.

Martin Vera noted that ice packs and first aid kits were in stock and ready for the winter clinics.

Nick Montagnese will process the volunteer background checks.

## **9. Communications Update**

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Jen Hanley discussed the roll out of the new website. The Board thanked Ms. Hanley for the great work in converting the website to a new platform. The website is aesthetically more appealing and will provide cost savings in the registration process.

## **10. Other business**

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The Board discussed the potential number of teams for Majors in 2017.

The Board also approved a Coach's clinic to be held in January or February 2017. Mike Deenihan will coordinate the date and location.

## **11. Adjournment**

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm. The next Board meeting is scheduled for 1/9/17.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Watson, Secretary