

Hasbrouck Heights Little League  
Minutes from General Meeting - Monday, 3/2/20

Board Members in attendance: Ken DeBaun, Lori Zorat, Joe Samperi, Hector Castro, Joe Cerabona, Glenn Fiant, Glenn Focarino, Joe LeConte, Joe Vigliotti, Dan Stevens, Jeff Haines

\*Board Member Neil Peterson arrived a few minutes late after meeting began.

34 people in attendance; besides executive board

Vice President - Ken DeBaun

- Began the meeting and spoke about opening day scheduled for Saturday, 4/4/20.
- Ken stated that registration numbers were up from 2019, especially at the younger levels. Older level numbers are consistent as in years past.
- Ken mentioned additional coaches were needed for the younger levels

Brad Tucci/Joe Cerabona, Player Agents

- Stated that drafts would soon take place with the older levels taking place first and the younger levels would follow the week after. The reason the drafts are done during separate time frames is that the older levels start game play earlier than the younger levels.

Joe Samperi - Equipment Manager -

- Orders placed for coach's shirts and the plan is to re-use coach's shirts for a few years, eliminating the need to order new shirts each year.
- The cost of baseballs has significantly increased over the years. Majors game balls are \$30/dozen. In order to save costs, practice balls will be kept in buckets in the equipment sheds so all can share.

Glenn Focarino/Joe LeConte - Field Maintenance -

- Minors field has some electrical issues.
- Major Field is 95% ready to be used. Minor & Tball Fields need work.
- Lighting on the fieldhouse needs some work. Bulbs are unreachable/covers are difficult to remove.
- High School field bleacher movement - not able to be moved.
- Dept. of Corrections scheduled to perform field maintenance the week of 3/16/20. They will do some painting and maintenance work.
- Tractor - out for repair - has been returned and needed a good tune up
- Slug Master /Tee Area - deciding what to do with this area
- Sign up genius will be going out for coaches to help with field clean up. Scheduled for Saturday, 3/21 and 3/28

Treasury - Joe Vigliotti

- Funds are light
- Lots of payments going out - maintenance, lighting, equipment, uniforms, etc

- Registration is over

#### Neil Peterson - President

- Opening Day Parade - Saturday, April 4 - followed by pictures
- Parade - assemble at 8:15 at municipal building - police escort starts at 9:00.
- Schedules are forthcoming
- First full day of games is Saturday, 4/18
- Sponsors - lost some key sponsors (Houlihan's, G3)
- Looking to add sponsorship days on Saturdays (sponsors would sell food and donate a portion of the proceeds back to the league; we would still sell packaged goods and drinks)
- District 2 Meeting - Elmwood Park asked to join District 5 due to low numbers, there were no nays.
- Discussion regarding AA joining inter league play - this could effect our league rules if joined together. Coach's wouldn't be able to step in and finish innings, etc. - this was voted down

#### Jeff Haines - Safety Coordinator

- All coaches need to be CPR Certified
- 2 dates available for certification: Tuesday, 3/2 - 7 spots still available
- Next date is March 11
- Coaches and managers need to fill out background check forms. No one is permitted on the field without this

#### Glenn Fiant/Hector Castro - Fundraising/Sponsorship

- Can Shake - Softball & T-Ball - Drop Off on Saturday, 5/2 - Pick Up Saturday, 5/9
- Candy Sale - we lost a lot of money to the league last year since a lot of people did not return their money or even pick up their candy.
- This year, candy will be distributed on Saturday, 4/18 - distributed to team moms - money handed in at time of pick up.

#### Dan Stevens -

- Practice Schedules - forthcoming - older levels start next week in the gyms
- Managers Commitment Forms must be signed by Each manager.
- Signed at division drafts
- Each manager Must designate a team mom
- Team moms will help with candy distribution, money collection, can shake and concession sign ups and fulfillment

#### Lori Zorat - Concessions

- Schedules will be coming out and then sign ups can take place
- Cleaning & Maintenance under way