

Johnston Little League - Board of Directors Meeting

November 10, 2019

Elk's

- I. Call to Order (6:45 PM)
- II. Coach of the year presentation: Pete Deacon and Bruce Boetiger
- III. Special award for Drew Macgregor for dedication to the league and time committed
- IV. Approval of prior month's minutes: M. Avaux 1st, M. Camos 2nd. Passed.
- V. Executive Board Report
 - a. President
 - i. Field clean up - not much participation, but went well
 - ii. All Star Committee update - Travis, Cullen and Eric spearheading with a draft being distributed to board next month
 - iii. Registration discussion – will open Jan 1 with early bird discount for two (2) weeks only
 - iv. Charter Update - will have in by Dec 31st
 - v. JLL Master Calendar – a working guide for us all to just be familiar with. Will pass out (via email) and there will certainly be changes, but is something we can use to guide us operationally
 - vi. Meeting location change – Moving to Doc's in December. Thank you Radar for hosting and being at all the meetings over the years.
 - vii. Yard signs – Ordered and received. You will all get some during the December meeting for putting out on Jan 1st.
 - b. Vice President – No report
 - c. Treasurer
 - i. League year-end financials approx. current balance is 102k. Down 26k from last year and will mark the 3rd year in 10 years where league ran a deficit. Deficit fluctuates year to year with all-stars and participation of age groups. In addition, the league lost money on early bird registrations as many families took advantage of that. Need to examine that a bit and try to figure out a better time period that might help us reduce the registration risk.
 - ii. Review of registration numbers. Would like to get a breakdown of numbers for historical purposes.
 - iii. Capital improvements were Arizona mounds, cages, pitching backstop project, portable mound.
 - iv. All Star Finances – League did not cover entire expenses and came up 22k of anticipated budget
 - v. Review of JGSA settle up and per agreement and calculations they will owe roughly \$6,200 which we will collect in Dec/January.
- VI. Facilities
 - a. Staff update/slight re-org – Facilities staff has been re-organized in hopes of better communicating the needs of the complex. M. Avaux will serve as the director with Mel and Camos serving a supportive role. The group will communicate and better serve field needs of the league rep who can communicate to volunteer coaches specific field needs. The hopes are accountability and more eyes on each field help improve general maintenance issues.
 - b. Facilities plan in December – We will bring forward a better field plan on spring projects for discussion.
- VII. Sponsorship / Fundraising
 - a. Sponsorship update – Looking at sponsorships for open fields and complex. No shortage of inventory just need willing companies that would like to support our LL.
 - b. Grant update (Eric) - MLB Grant. Working on and if anyone knows of additional local grants please funnel to Eric for submission.

VIII. Operations

- a. Safety - Staff update. Byron will be back in limited role due to other commitments with family. Willing to help train the next person. Need to assign a member of our team to work with him to understand what's needed/required
- b. Umpire
 - i. Compile/create list by January of eligible kids for Radar to have for umping games. This will help with scheduling for 9's and potentially 10's this year which might reduce the umpiring fees. Depending on numbers maybe there is enough to have kids do 10's as well.
 - ii. Denny will not do the scheduling again this year for Des Moines Umpire Association.
- c. Information/Marketing – No report
- d. Concessions
 - i. Contract signed with League. Done in late October.
- e. Coaching – Burleson to book gyms for tryouts on March 7th. Coaches Clinic on March 28th. Goal of Starting season around mid-April (13th)
- f. Equipment - not present/no report
- g. Uniform – Will investigate passing uniforms out on March 28th. This might increase numbers at coach's clinic, but also equipment pick up/field day.

IX. League Reps

- a. Big Bat – Fuerstenberg
- b. 6/7 – Sandersfeld
- c. Minors 8's – McClish
- d. Minors 9's – McClish
- e. Minors AAA – Gleason
- f. Majors – Sires
- g. 50/70 – OPEN
- h. Juniors/Seniors – Harken

X. New Business/Motions

- a. New equipment purchase – leaf blower (Harken) – Motion tabled until next meeting until we can get prices for the best possible purchase. Harken will facilitate.
- b. Motion presented and approved of registration fees for the upcoming season. Motion by M. Avaux 1st and T. Burleson 2nd – Passed. Fee's listed below:

i. League	Early	Regular
BB	\$80	\$90
7's	\$130	\$140
8's	\$130	\$140
9's	\$135	\$145
10's	\$135	\$145
Majors	\$135	\$145
Intermed	\$135	\$145
Jr's	\$135	\$145

- XI. Adjourn – Motion to Adjourn @ 8:21. M. Camos 1st, T Burleson 2nd. Adjourned

Board in Attendance: C. Andrews, T. McClish, E. Gude, K. Schlawin, M. Camos, M. Avaux, T. Burleson, S. Harken, M. Gleason, S. Sandersfeld, K. Fuerstenberg, G. Weinschenk

NEXT MEETING

December 8, 2019 - Doc's Lounge (NEW LOCATION)