



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

NEW JERSEY STATE LITTLE LEAGUE

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION STATE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 7, 2015

Days Inn, Route 18 South, East Brunswick, NJ

Members in Attendance: See attached Sign-in Sheet

Members Absent: Jeff Altman

NOTE – Eligible Voting Members in Attendance – 5

Meeting called to order by State Director at 9:10AM

A.) MINUTES - Minutes of the Previous Committee Meeting were not read but approved.

B.) TREASURER'S REPORT – Tom Howard distributed and reviewed the current status of the State treasury (copy attached) which was unanimously approved.

C.) STATE UMPIRE REPORT – Craig Yetman reported on the umpire clinics that are being held on March 21 and 22 in North and South Jersey. A brief discussion was held regarding several umpire issues as they pertain to state tournament assignments and development of umpires (see attached). Dave Koehler proposed the creation of a special State tournament umpire patch to be given to each umpire assigned to a state tournament. This proposal will be presented at the next State DA meeting for final approval.

D.) SAFETY OFFICER REPORT – Jeff Altman was absent from this meeting but Tony Richardson reported that we are on track with ASAP and reminded us of the March 13 deadline for Safety Plan submission to get the appropriate discounts.

E.) STATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Tony Richardson discussed several items as follows:

1. An update on the Jackie Robinson West LL status was given. He stated that because of the legal issues currently pending all inquiries about this should be directed to

Williamsport. The next International Board meeting has been moved from Chicago to Washington, DC to avoid any possible protests in the Chicago area.

2. A brief discussion was held regarding the new age determination chart. Carmine Conti stated that there is a very good explanation on Little League website regarding this issue. It is located in the PRESS RELESE section of the website.

F.) 2015 TOURNAMENT SITES – Updates were made to the 2015 Tournament Site schedule. Section Coordinators were reminded that if sites are not identified by April 1 a new site can be solicited. A brief discussion was held regarding the playing of a softball state tournament on a grass infield or a field with a little league pitcher's mound. Sites for State softball tournaments must identify whether fields being used have grass infields. All State softball tournament games should be played on skin infields with no pitcher's mounds. If necessary tournament sites will be changed.

G.) STATE/SECTION REALIGNMENT COMMITTEE REPORT – Carmine Conti gave a brief overview of this committee's objectives and an update on its progress to date. He will prepare a brief presentation regarding this committee to be made at the next DAs meeting in April. Tony Richardson will contact Bristol regarding opposition by a district/league involved in a possible realignment or reassignment to another district.

H.) OLD BUSINESS – None

I.) NEW BUSINESS – The following items were discussed:

1. Cesare made a motion for a proposal effective September 1, 2014 for the issuance of a Retirement Plaque by the State Association to any retiring DA with more than 20 years of service. After a brief discussion on this matter this proposal was approved and will be introduced at the next DAs meeting in April for final vote.

2. Election Reminders – State Director and Section Coordinators for Sections 1 & 3 are due for election this year. These elections are to take place at the next DAs meeting on April 25, 2015 and the terms begin on October 1, 2015.

3. After a brief discussion Carmine made a motion which was unanimously approved to propose a change in the term of the State Director from three (3) years to four (4) to be in line with the new terms of the DAs.

4. Dave Koehler gave a brief presentation on findmyleague.com and how useful it was for his districts during tournament season. He urged all to look into using this free website.

5. Challenger Day and Little League's Participation - Tony Richardson will contact Lou Verile to determine his status with this program. If a new coordinator is needed, Cesare has volunteered to continue this program.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:25PM

Respectfully submitted:

Tony Luceri, State Information Officer
ATTACHMENTS: as stated