



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

NEW JERSEY STATE LITTLE LEAGUE

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION

MEETING MINUTES APRIL 27, 2019

Days Inn, Route 18 South, East Brunswick, NJ

Meeting called to order by State Director at 9:03AM

Attendance Roster attached. Tony Richardson welcomed Tyler Knopp, Assistant Regional Director, East Region to our meeting.

Many thanks to the two (2) State Sponsors who attended this meeting and gave a brief presentation of their products/services before our regular meeting agenda.

Also thanks to Tom Gardner, New Jersey Elks Challenger Program Coordinator and Joe DiBona, Regional Director for their presentation regarding the continued participation of Little League Challenger Programs and the Elks Challenger Program.

A.) MINUTES - Minutes of the Previous Committee and State Meetings were not read.

B.) TREASURER'S REPORT – Tom Howard presented the Treasurer's Report (copy attached) with a brief explanation of each line item. A motion was made and unanimously approved to accept his report.

C.) 2018 STATE TOURNAMENT SITES – Dave Koehler - The sites for all Section and State Tournaments were reviewed and finalized with the exception of a few Section tournaments which will be finalized in the near future.

D.) STATE UMPIRE REPORT – Craig Yetman began by thanking Dave Koehler for producing a Tournament Contact Information Sheet for all State tournaments. He stated that he has the umpire pins for all State tournament umpires and he will forward them to the hosting DA. He will forward any volunteers he has for State tournament assignments to the appropriate DA as he receives such requests from umpires. He announced that even though he is not leaving Little League and will continue to serve as

State Umpire Consultant if so desired by the State Director, this will be the last year he will be umpiring on the field. His last game will be at the State Little League tournament in Sayreville.

E.) SAFETY OFFICER REPORT – Jeff Altman reported that to date we have approximately 85% of the leagues have submitted their ASAP plans (approx. 223 out of 263 leagues). To date seven (7) districts are at 100% participation and he expects more as the deadline for submission is in the distance. He advised all to be aware that there may be some glitches in the JDP system and that there may be incomplete or false hits

F.) STATE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Tony Richardson reported that Little League is still working on the issue of background checks for umpires with regards to multiple checks on the same individual by multiple leagues. Currently, a background check is completed by each league that an individual is involved with.

H.) OLD BUSINESS – Craig Yetman and John Ryan (ADA District 10) reported that progress is continuing on the preparation for the Joe Graziano State Little League Tournament hosted by Sayreville LL.

I.) NEW BUSINESS – Dave Koehler reported that PA District 21 was looking for Senior Softball teams to play in New Jersey because of a lack of teams in their District. They will handle all interleague forms and approvals needed from the Region to conduct these games and supplied the contact information.

J.) EAST REGION REPORT – Tyler Knopp gave a brief overview of several items including the following:

1. A review of the important dates with regards to tournament including waiver dates and forms processing, umpire schools, and LLBB and LLSB East Region tournaments
2. He reminded all of the Mandatory play rule and violation punishment.
3. He reminded all DAs to verify all league boundary maps on the Data Center since they will be the maps that LL will be using for player verification. Any changes should be forwarded to the Region for processing.

After a recent inquiry by a league regarding a proposed application of a new Little League charter in his area, Cesare Papetti asked that Little League contact the affected DA of such inquiries before they (Little League) contact the inquiring organization and to remind the inquiring individual that they must be a member of the league’s Executive Board to make such an inquiry.

K.) ELECTION OF STATE DIRECTOR – At this time the floor was open to nominations for State Director and resulted in the nominations of Tony Richardson and Carmine Conti. Each nominee made a brief comment and a vote was conducted with 18 of 19 districts in good standing and eligible to vote. The vote resulted in the election of Carmine Conti as State Director whose four year term will begin on October 1, 2019. Many thanks to Tony Richardson for his dedication and service to the Association while he was State Director.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45am

Respectfully submitted:
Tony Luceri, State Information Officer

ATTACHMENTS: as stated