



Parkway Little League
P.O. Box 320152
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PLL BOARD MEETING FROM 3/8/16

Attendance

Present

John Burns
Ed Fitzgerald
Jim Gallagher
Jack Lane
Jim McAdams
Rob McLaughlin
Pat Murphy
Rich Myers
Brian Nolan
Adam Polgreen
Sean Russell
Rick Swiman
Bob Todd
Rick Treseler

Not Present

Mike Barone
Ian Browne
John Tobin

Senior Members Present

Joe Gambon
Tarez McNeil
Torrance McNeil

Discussion with senior members

Rick Treseler explained that the league is getting away from coaches being able to get a group of kids on the same team. Tarez and Torrance McNeil also raised issue of travel/summer baseball for 8-year-olds. Treseler explained that Parkway competes in the Suburban Youth League for 9-12 year-olds. The Friendship League is available for



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8-year-olds but Parkway does not participate. Tarez McNeil said that he would be willing to help with the summer baseball administration.

11:9:1

McDonough Field Scoreboard Replacement

Action: Rick Treseler indicates that Mike Barone has secured the donation. The details need to be finalized. Rick Swiman discussed various options for the scoreboard, including a wireless controller. Vote taken and moving forward with scoreboard is approved.

12:16:15

Electrician needed to pull line in for Praught Field score box. Need trenching machine to cut ditch and run cable.

Action: Bids are being sought with options for trench or overhead wire.

11:9:4

Update on Opening Day parade and Opening Night event:
All contracts in place and all permits are in place for the parade.
O'Neill's declines to be a sponsor but has space available for the opening night party.

Action: Board approves to pursue opening night party at O'Neill's. Rick Swiman to continue to try to work to get a sponsorship from O'Neill's.

12:6:7

Registration update, currently 645 players registered. The AAA level is essentially filled. Can add another team if need, ideally would not add any more AAA teams (currently at six teams of 13). In the AA 144 of 156 slots are filled. There are 163 registered T-ball players. There will be 14 anticipated T-ball teams. Nine Majors players remain unregistered.

Residency waivers. Jim McAdams updates. Several outstanding as well as school waivers.

3:8:1



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Ed Fitzgerald introduces question about boundary map. Questions boundary map for Georgetown, what is West Roxbury, what is Hyde Park? Line appears to dissect a building in the Georgetown complex. Treseler provides some context/background of boundary map history.

Action: Discussion to be continued at later date

11:9:5

Jim Gallagher held a second collection of equipment at the complex in February. T-ball and AA need equipment Treseler reported. There were 12 bags collected and there are 14 T-ball teams this season, so two bags are needed. There is one bag to recover, Jim Gallagher to pursue. Instructional has 12 bags recovered, two bags outstanding. Treseler to try to recover from White Sox and Reds. Instructional bags are to go to single A level this season. Gallagher and Treseler discussed what equipment was needed.

Action: Gallagher to send list of equipment needs to Treseler. Gallagher to update board on status of any outstanding equipment either by e-mail or at next BOD Meeting.

11:9:7

Mandatory first-aid training and form collection for coaches from all Parkway teams. John Burns indicates that dates are set for trainings and that forms are trickling in.

Action: Burns to orchestrate collection of all background screening forms from Parkway volunteers. CORI form submission and paperwork from coaches/volunteers is slow. Treseler urges all board members to turn in paper work and get all coaches to comply.

2:10:2

It was agreed that the issue of Tournament teams – and how many we should field – will be discussed at the March BOD Meeting.

Tabled issue until later meeting.

2:10:3



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Rick Treseler discusses budget. Training budget and equipment budget could be areas of savings. Also could be additional revenue than expected. Motion to approve the budget is approved.

1:11:3

GAME SCHEDULE: Adam Polgreen has prepared a draft Majors schedule and partial incorporation of Jason Roberts into the schedule for other divisions/levels. We are still waiting to hear if Jason Roberts is, in fact, available.

Action: Rich Myers updates. Friday, Saturday, Sunday two games on Friday, all day Saturday and all day Sunday. Requesting April 22 to June 18. Agreement close to being reached but not confirmed.

2:10:13

Triple-A General manager Rob McLaughlin met with the AAA coaches to come to a consensus on certain things such as whether to allow stealing home on passed balls, running on dropped third strikes and whether there should be a cap on runs per innings.

Rules suggested for AAA:

1. Continuous batting order
2. No catchers blocking home
3. Score from third on passed ball
4. No dropped third strike
5. Maximum runs per inning, 7 suggested
6. Allow bunts, but no slash
7. Two-hour max per game
8. No mercy rule
9. Actual game start time should be used for two-hour rule (not scheduled game time)

Lengthy discussion about 7 runs or 5 runs per inning. Treseler questions whether it is even allowed to use 7 runs per inning within Little League rules.

Action: Rob McLaughlin to get back to the board on Triple-A rules after further reviewing with coaches and seeking other opinions. McLaughlin expresses that he doesn't have an opinion one way or the other, he is simply reporting the consensus of his meeting with AAA coaches.



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2:10:1

Coaching updates:

3 teams do not have coaches in T-ball Pat Murphy said
8 coaches for single A Brian Nolan said

The following Majors coaches were approved:

Pat Goonan approved, assistant coach Giants
Rick Deraney approved, assistant coach Phillies
Chris Tripp approved, assistant coach Red Sox
Michael Murray approved, assistant coach A's
Steve Mullen approved, scorekeeper Yankees