

**Parkway Little League Board of Directors Meeting, Monday, July 11, 8 p.m.  
at PLL complex**

Attendance:

Browne  
Burns  
Fitzgerald  
Gallagher  
McAdams  
McLaughlin  
Murphy  
Myers  
Nolan  
Polgreen  
Swiman  
Todd

Absent  
Barone  
Lane  
Russell  
Tobin  
Treseler

**7:11:1**

The board asked who would lead the senior membership nominating committee to determine who is eligible for membership for next season. Ian Browne will take the lead, with help from John Burns and senior member Joe Gambon.

Action: Ian Browne in process of determining who is eligible for senior membership for the upcoming year. Browne will cross-check eligible candidates with John Burns and Joe Gambon and send it to the board for approval. Membership applications will go out to all eligible senior members by the end of August. Senior membership roster will be finalized in mid-September.

**7:11:2**

The board asked who could be election captains in the fall, responsible for counting all ballots for the next BOD. Ian Browne has volunteered. Rich Myers also volunteered, but he is eligible for re-election, so it makes more sense for a returning member to assist Browne.

Action: Need one more member to assist on election night.

**6:6:2**

Plans were finalized for Triple-A All-Star Game/Sponsorship night. Ian Browne invited all the sponsors. Rob McLaughlin notified the players and

coaches. Brian Nolan and Senior member Amy Browne agreed to help Rick Treseler run the event.

**7:11:3**

The board decided to hold Major League tryouts on Sunday, September 11 and Saturday, September 17. Brian Nolan will notify local media outlets and update website as soon as plans are completely finalized. Brian will also notify all players eligible to tryout. Rick Treseler will assist him in determining all eligible payers to try out.

Action: Major League tryouts on September 11, September 17.

**2:10:4**

Website update: Brian Nolan looked into the elite version of league lineup, and it doesn't have the solutions we were hoping for. The registration system is the same. It doesn't offer much more than what we use. The one thing is you can track player attendance. League Athletics costs over \$2,000 more.

**7:11:4**

Recently, there was an incident at the complex at the end of an All-Star practice in which players who have aged out of Parkway Little League were irresponsibly hitting balls out of Bunker Field and off of neighbors' houses. As a board, as senior members, as coaches, as parents, we all need to do a better job of regulating what happens at the complex. Discussion will continue on ways to improve this situation.

**7:11:5**

Complex repair update: The scorer's box got wired. The new scoreboard on McDonough was wired. Scoreboard will be lit up for Triple-A All-Star Game.

**7:11:6**

John Burns expresses concern about the umpire situation in the lower leagues - both with reliability of attendance and with consistency of calls. Burns thinks we should be able to recruit more kids to our junior umpire program. We also need to find umpires who can work in the summer. Ian Browne and Rick Treseler had a hard time finding enough umpires to fill out the Travels Cup and Mayor's Cup games.

Many board members say that the coaches need to be more patient and work better with the junior umpires. Brian Nolan said he'd like to see a more specific outline from Mike Barone on how the umpires are trained and if there is a merit system for kids who do better on the test getting more games.

Multiple board members note it would be good if Mike O'Reilly could be more involved in mentoring the younger umpires, and perhaps even working some games with them. O'Reilly has, in fact, expressed a desire to do this to Ian Browne and others in recent weeks.

**7:11:7**

The board approved a motion to allow Rick Treseler to try to extend the concession services agreement with Joe Gambon for multi years.

**Action:** Rick Treseler will work on extension with Gumby's Grill.

**7:11:8**

The board discussed the process for choosing vendors for uniforms and hats. There was a recent mishap by a vendor on All-Star hats. It is also noted that Parkway was late in getting the design request out to the vendor. John Burns says these hats are a big deal to these kids, and it shouldn't be minimized. Rob McLaughlin agrees. Swiman notes this vendor has provided us good service over the years. Rob suggests we order that hats on June 1 in the future and stop agonizing over new designs, etc.

**7:12:8**

Equipment update: In T-Ball, we are missing three bags; Single-A, everything is in. Double-A, John Burns will confer with Jim Gallagher on what is outstanding. Triple-A, everything has been returned. One Triple-A bag was loaned out to John Sarro for travel.