

**Woonsocket Little League  
Board Meeting  
November 12, 2017**

In attendance: Amy Thibault, Steve Sgambato, Bill Berube, Phil Trudeau, Zack Ouellette, Kim Sgambato, John Levreault, Mike St. Germain, Judy Wynne, Sam Godin, Mike Cinquantini, Jess Nickerson

**New Business**

**Mike St. Germain, President**

- Jess Nickerson and Mike St. Germain went to Navigant Credit Union to update accounts; took Kevin McGuire off as Treasurer and added Jess Nickerson
- We have a \$159 credit from Little League for unused All Star team that was chartered
- We have been invited to apply for \$2,500 grant from Sen. Picard
- Concession stand is underway; City has broken ground and is on track for opening day
  - The concession stand cannot go behind home plate, because electricity and plumbing does not go there.
  - It's where it is because we selected it. The City was kind enough to move it to behind home plate area, behind Dunkin Donuts.
- Batting cage plans are underway as well
  - Mike St. Germain is working with Steve Thibault to find options
  - The cost will be roughly \$6,500 minus netting and turf; need to get it from Albany
  - Mike St. Germain thinks it will be closer to \$10k, which is okay since we don't have to use any funds for concession stand
  - Trying to get the batting cage in place for this year
  - Looking at 55x25ish, two 12 foot tunnels
  - City has reached out to Hess to see if City can acquire land behind gas station, currently owned by Hess, they pay taxes on it; if City gets it then we can put batting cages there.
- The City does not have money to put roofs on dugouts but we have a surplus; they estimate roofs to be \$3k a piece and Mike St. Germain told them the League could cover the cost. Mike will follow up with City to determine next steps
- We are also considering a wrap behind the backstop
- Mike St. Germain will complete the Charter; doesn't have to do it until January 1
  - He'll pay it and Jess can give him a check
- Nominations for 2018 appointed positions:
  - Judy Wynne - Major Rep. (need to train someone for 2019)
  - Zack Ouellette - Equipment Manager
  - Mike Cinquantini – Division Representative (Division is TBD)
  - Tommy Brien – Umpire-In-Chief
  - Amy Lorusso – Concession Manager
  - Motion to accept appointments by Bill Berube; seconded by John Levreault; all approved; motion passed
  - John Levreault - Field and Maintenance Manager

- Motion to accept John Levreault's appointment by Bill Berube; seconded by Kim Sgambato; all approved; motion passed
- Mike St. Germain plans to appoint Phil Trudeau to a Division Representative spot as well; will talk with Mike Cinquantini and Phil Trudeau to determine Divisions.
- We have a seat open on the Board because we lost softball
  - There's been a lot of talk about an Assistant Player Agent position; John Levreault is interested in this role.
  - Position was eliminated when we merged.
  - Mike St. Germain is going to recommend adding the position to By-Laws.
  - Assistant Player Agent will handle Instructional and Minors; Player Agent handles paper work from a registration perspective

**Steve Sgambato, Vice President**

- Getting the Rules and Regulations Committee together
  - Needs to be in place by January 1
  - Bill, Amy, Phil, Kim, Jess, and Zack
  - Will set up a meeting after Thanksgiving
  - All new board members will need background checks

**Jess Nickerson, Treasurer**

- Working on setting up banking accounts online
- Received checks from Kim and Zack
- There is a small discrepancy; we have extra money to account; trying to determine where it came from
- Spent \$1,206 on baseballs
- Total expenses were \$2880
- \$55,642 is total balance

**Amy Thibault, Secretary**

- Motion to approve October minutes by Kim Sgambato; seconded by Judy Wynne; all approved; motion passed
- Received \$1,500 Volunteer grant from CVS Health

**Kim Sgambato, Player Agent**

- Fall Ball ended yesterday
  - Kim wanted to make it clear that she did not have control over the fall ball schedules and did not stack teams
  - District had a plan to have a team at each level - 9, 10, 11, 12 (8s play with 9s)
  - We were one of the few leagues who were able to fill a team at every level and we put teams on the field as we were supposed to
  - Fall Ball typically isn't competitive but the District decided to give out trophies
- Registrations for 2018 open December 1
  - John will shadow Kim to see how to website works
- Need to talk to Tommy about fees for next year

**Bill Berube, Coaching Coordinator**

- Working on winter clinics; probably won't start until January, got the high school
- Bill also wants to do a classroom, to understand what plays are, etc.
- Red Sox host a coaches clinic so we may be able to get in there

**Mike Berube, Safety Officer (Absent)**

- Nothing to report

**Tommy Brien, Umpire in Chief (Absent)**

- Nothing to report

**John Levreault, Fields and Maintenance Manager**

- Field is in good shape
- Need to take down net at Hartnett
  - Should look at replacing Hartnett batting cage net; usually a couple hundred dollars

**Amy Lorusso, Concession Manager (Absent)**

- Nothing to Report

**Judy Wynne, Major Division Representative**

- Nothing to Report

**Additional Discussion**

- Amy will send a note to parents stating that we can collect old bats
- Motion to adjourn General Membership meeting by John Levreault; seconded by Bill Berube; all approved; motion passed

*Meeting minutes compiled and composed by Amy Thibault*