

River Park Little League

Board Meeting Minutes Monday, November 12, 2007 5:00 p.m.

Present at this meeting were: Vaughn, Morris, Brager, Walker, Fugman, Boman, Clark, Falco, Molter, Hollis, Sorenson, Petersen, Blankenship, and Hartman. Absent was: Garabedian.

Minutes for last meeting were approved along with the idea to raise registration fees as discussed in last meeting.

Vaughn handed out a packet which included Agenda, Minutes from 10/7 meeting, Board of Director Roster, 2008 Season Schedule, Pitching Regulation changes, and 12-yr-olds new rule regulation.

First discussion was about Opening Day. Ideas were to have only Major team's play that day. There will also be team pictures, carnival type games, and either a pancake breakfast or tri-tip/pizza lunch. Also, season will be starting later to take into account the three day weekends and the early Spring Break.

The 2008 Schedule was approved along with the new ideas for Opening Day.

Items to be added to the schedule are: 10-yr. old all-star try-outs to be held June 13, 14, 15th. The 11 and 12 yr. old selection for all-stars will be held June 14th.

Reports:

Brager/Treasurer – Fall Ball made \$2,400 in concessions and \$1,250 from RP share of things. We have \$624 left with \$2,000 in bills. Basic costs through winter are \$2,000/month with water, PG&E, insurance, etc.

Please get purchase order numbers from Dave when making purchases. Greg can approve anything under \$500. Board has to approve expenses over \$500.

Brager will get some bids on photographers for team photos.

Falco-Petersen/Fields – They are working on getting bids on cost of fixing sprinklers and getting rid of gophers. This is the priority before redoing fields.

Fundraising Committee – Had meeting with committee. They passed out 3 handouts: 2007 Sign Sales, Update from their meeting, 2008 Corporate Sponsor page along with 2008 Home Run Packages. The Home Run Packages are new ideas which include a family sign, dinner dance tickets, league registration, etc. Everyone liked the idea and agreed to move forward with it.

The last fundraising idea discussed was to have a RP Baseball Camp with hitting and pitching clinics.

Tracy will work on finding someone to run the dinner dance.

President/Vaughn - Discussion of new pitch count rule which now includes 7 & 8 yr. olds. Players may not pitch in consecutive games. (Please refer to attachment from Vaughn.)

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No one was interested in moving forward with the Positive Coaching Alliance.

Last item on the agenda was Local Issues. Hollis discussed the issue of coaches kids being “frozen” when they were actually drafted on to the team the previous season. There was talk of the “spirit of the rule” and examples of previous players were discussed. We began voting on approval of coaching spots for each major team – this vote was tabled due to the agreement that Sorenson will call the major coaches to see if they have an idea of who will coach with them. Phil Hollis also read a letter from Steve Bates.

This discussion will continue next meeting along with the agenda item of a Player Call-up Policy.

Next meeting will be held on Sunday, December 9th, 4:00 p.m.

