Minutes

Burlington Little League Meeting of the Board of Directors

Gateway Tech. College – Burlington Campus Room 100 Tuesday July 18, 2017 @ 6:30 PM

- 1. Meeting Called to order by Tomczyk at 6:34
- 2. Roll Call (Present/Absent)
 - Board Attendees: Josh Dow, Aubrey Jacobs, Rachel Naber, Megan McFarland, Tom Dummer, John Kendall, Travis Caliva, Trisha Skiles, Lisa Wasik, Joe Wasik, Josh Spencer, Nick Hancock, Kevin Tomczyk, Craig Flater, Tracy Flater, Shannon Weis, Rachel Loppnow, Michelle Kinney
 - 17 present, quorum for meeting
- 3. Citizen's comments--none
- 4. Approval of minutes April 11, 2017 and June 6, 2017
 - T Flater makes a motions to approve both minutes, Hancock seconds, motion passes
- 5. Presidents report
 - Everything went well, no issues, All-stars went well, hosting in town went well, thank you to those who helped, paperwork looked great, lots of compliments
 - Final day of All-Star championship game, \$466, concessions earnings was donated to flood relief
- 6. Treasurer's report (BLL and Titan's)
 - BBL Balance--\$85,521.63
 - Outstanding bills---Reesman's, mounds; Rojos, concessions; Ruma, trophies; City, lighting
 - One unpaid balance for one player, no response from email inquiries
 - Titan's Balance--\$932.84
 - o Still waiting for checks to clear and some to come in
- 7. Director and Coordinator reports (2 minutes each)
 - a. V.P. of Baseball Operations Nick H.
 - Main feed on sprinklers at Branen was repaired
 - Lots of light issues
 - Light bank behind homeplate at Branen--maybe get lights for Hintz and move a light bank to Branen?
 - Suggested to go to Park Board and do a cooperation again to get things working
 - Can't reuse existing poles, must have steel poles per Little League rules if poles need to get replaced
 - Branen Tower? Do we want to take it down, just the top?
 - Replace sod on Caliva and Ebbers? \$3000---how it looks need only, leave it
 - Netting for outdoor batting cages---\$?, where would it go? City would need to approve

- Need to address lighting and Branen Tower first before batting cages and netting at Branen behind home plate
- b. V.P. of League Operations Megan M.
 - nothing
- c. Registration Trisha S.
 - nothing
- d. Sign/Team Sponsorship Trisha S.
 - nothing
- e. Intermediate/Junior Josh S.
 - Overall good experience, All-Stars went well
- f. Majors Josh D.
 - Sent out email to see if there's any open manager spots for next season
- g. Minors John K.
 - Well balance competition, minimal parent complaints, may need to address pitch counts and Titans weekends
- h. Rookie Michelle K.
 - Got lots of rain, concerns about going to kid pitch but need to start developing pitching at some time, can address some of the slow game issues i.e. passed balls.
- i. T-Ball Travis C.
 - Good year
- j. Coaching Coordinator John K.
 - Need to address rules and expectations from league at Rookie and TBall level next year
- k. Titans Shannon W.
 - Satisfaction survey had overall good responses
- I. Umpire in Chief Craig F.
 - Good
 - District 6 uses a computerized system where all games get put into system and then umps sign up for the games they want, this would increase our ump pool
 - Thought--incentive to attend umping boot camp, get certificate and earn more money for the games you ump?
- m. Equipment Joe W.
 - New T was great
 - L Wasik wants to make sure we get keys back
 - Pitching machines--do we need to investigate new/different ones?
 - Any equipment turn in can get dropped off a batting cage and let J Wasik know, he'll grab it
- n. Concessions Rachel N.
 - Gatorade and Water, email to offer it at cost (Dave Gill or Fire Dept?) or donate to Love, Inc
- o. Field Scheduling Rachel N.
 - Practices still scheduling
- p. Concessions Staff Aubrey J.
 - Great Staff
 - Will turn in their key when they pick up their last check
 - Thinking about needing new equipment
- q. Web/Information Tracy F.
 - Up to date

- Looking into mobile app, it's an update
- r. Safety Lisa W.
 - We got commendations from LL that our reports are accurate and on time.
- s. Uniforms Lisa W.
 - nothing
- t. Picture Day Trisha S.
 - Good
- u. Fall Ball OPEN
 - See below
- v. Awards Tom D.
 - Non-breakable is awesome
- w. All Star Committee Megan M.
 - nothing
- 8. New business Follow-ups (10 minutes each)
 - a. Fall Ball need a Coordinator
 - Coordinator role
 - Working with other Leagues
 - o Coordinate field work, umps, concessions
 - What divisions? Flexible based on numbers.
 - If no fall ball how about clinics or camps?
 - Approach parents to see if someone can run the program as a committee member---Skiles will create some type of contact
 - b. Majors and Intermediate and possible Juniors Tryout and Draft dates
 - Outdoor Tryouts work but is it too early to evaluate skills that might improve over winter
 - Early sets the team to get started early
 - October? Sunday afternoons?
 - Intermediates? Tryouts again for everybody or do players stay on the team? Need to email before the Jr Demons tryouts
 - Registration dates prior to tryouts
 - Dow and Spencer coordinate dates for Majors and Intermediate Dates--tentative Oct 1, Rain Date Oct 8
 - c. Titans Tryout dates
 - August 27
 - d. Days of the week schedule for 2018 Minors/Majors/Intermediate/Juniors division? These are thoughts, can decide later for next year
 - Juniors--MW
 - Intermediate--TR (this works best for Intermediate)
 - Majors--MW (this affects Titans, allowing to get a day off)
 - Thinking about umps, easier if Intermediate and Majors are not on the same night
 - Spencer makes a motion to play Majors and Juniors teams on Monday and Wednesday and Fridays; Minors and Intermediates play on Tuesday and Thursdays, Kendall seconds, 9 yea's, 8 abstains, motion passes
 - e. Registration fees for all divisions 2018.
 - Do we want to look at a tiered system?
 - Do we charge double if they play in 2 leagues?
 - Proposal is that the second division will be half off, Skiles will investigate
 if it will work with the registration program
 - f. Gill family donation How funds will be used?

- \$536
- Message board sign with Memorial Plate
- McFarland will find the sign and work with family
- Loppnow will work with Ruma to get the Memorial Plate
- 9. Announcements (5 minutes total)
 - none
- 10. Next Meeting
 - a. Tuesday August 8, 2017 @ 6:30PM at Gateway
- 11. Adjournment--L Wasik makes motion to adjourn, Caliva Seconds, meeting adjourned 8:27