

Willington Little League Board Meeting Minutes

February 8th, 2017

Willington Public Library

7:30 pm

Attendees: Coree Charette, Rachel Boltsridge, Rocco Petrella, Amelia Hinchliffe, Tim Mercier, Chad Wilde, Beth Bean, Sam Bechta

Meeting called to order at **7:38** by Coree

Agenda

- Remaining board positions: Head Umpire, Concessions Manager
 - Clinton Eldridge has expressed a possible interest in Umpire-in-Chief per Rocco, Rocco will contact Clinton again
- Walk-on Item – Meetings with less than a quorum
 - Discussed providing most flexibility for conducting business considering everyone’s busy schedules
 - Agreed to build into the Constitution the ability to discuss business with less than quorum – called an “officer’s meeting”, any business regarding a vote will get recorded and be conducted after the meeting via text and/or email.
 - Group discussed high level categories of topics that should always be voted on – anything pertinent to Constitution or by-laws/operations changes, personnel actions, financial expenditures
 - **ACTION – Beth** to ensure this is spelled out on the Constitution
- Coaches and Umpires – Current volunteers and previous coaches
 - Seniors – Pat Ryan, Scot Rogers, Clinton Eldridge
 - 50/70 – Pat Ryan, Scot Gilbert
 - Majors baseball – Scott Gilbert, Ed Carroll*, Dan Bourbeau
 - Minors baseball – Ed Carroll*, Pat Lorde, Tim Shine*, Parent-Cummings, Mike Iacampo*, Aaron Robbins
 - Majors softball – Coree & Rachel
 - Minors softball – Coree & Rachel
 - Farm softball – Ed Carroll
 - Farm – Mike Iacampo*, Tim Mercier, Josh Langevin
- Fundraising – Cash Calendar – status update from Sam Bechta
 - 25 of 30 slots on calendar filled, thanks Sam!!!
 - Sam brought donation blue card stock for printing the calendars, suggests listing sponsors/donors on the back with a big thank you
 - Other suggested places to solicit: Quester’s Way, Dick’s, Soar Indoors, Stop n Shop, Rocco also volunteered UConn tickets from his personal season ticket package
- Winter Clinic and Evaluations

- Registration Update – Currently 22 registrations for winter clinic
- Volunteer planning, equipment preparation
 - Held for meeting with Pat and/or Mike
- 2017 Spring Prep
 - Registration Update – Currently 2 seniors, 0 50/70, 9 Minors/Majors Baseball, 1 Minors/Majors Softball, 4 Farm, 1 T-Ball
 - Had lots of questions about farm softball, but very few softball registrations overall. Need to continue talking it up
 - **ACTION – Rachel & Coree** to come up with a flyer to put in digital backpack and to remind their basketball players
 - Opening Day Food Planning
 - Held for meeting with Val
 - Opening Day Event Planning (childrens activities? Contests? Raffle?)
 - **ACTION – all board members** to come back next meeting with thoughts on events for Opening Day
 - Opening Day Ceremony Moment of Silence?
 - **ACTION - Rocco** is friends with Gage Rondo’s family and will ask for their wishes – moment of silence, jersey numbers, game/opening day dedication etc.
 - Program Ideas
 - Program is just a single sheeter with events of the day and thanks to sponsors
- Treasurer’s Report
 - Postponed
- Walk-on item – T-Ball vote
 - Over the past 3 meetings, idea to institute games at the T-Ball level has been debated.
 - Amelia motion to try games this season, Rocco 2nd, vote unanimous yea
- Constitution Vote
 - All in agreement with the constitution on the following conditions:
 - “officer’s meetings” as mentioned above
 - Separate coaching coordination from scheduler position and make it a committee
 - Beth motioned to accept with above changes, Rocco 2nd, unanimous yea
 - **ACTION – Beth** to make updates and bring back for Patrick’s signature at a future meeting
- Walk-on Items- Missing minutes
 - Have not been able to vote on minutes for a while, so they have not been posted.
 - **ACTION – Beth** to distribute un-official minutes for text/email vote

Meeting adjourned by Rachel at 9:13 pm

- Action Item Review
- **Beth** to create a flyer for digital backpack and public areas for Spring Registration – **CLOSED**
- **Scot** to check stock in yard signs and get more if necessary - **CLOSED**
- **Patrick** to take down River Road field banners and pull bases - **CLOSED**

- **Beth** to get list of solicited companies (for cash calendar) from Sam - **OPEN**
- **All** - Team to review Constitution for discussion on **2/8** - **CLOSED**
- **Mike** to provide new board members a copy of the evaluation criteria from last year – **CLOSED** –
Mike does not have this, the previous player agent did not share it
- **Beth** to write up suggested duties for team parents – **OPEN**
- **Beth** to make Constitution updates and bring back for Patrick’s signature at a future meeting –
OPEN
- **Beth** to look into permit for the cash calendar - **OPEN**
- **All board members** to come back next meeting with thoughts on events for Opening Day – **OPEN**
- **Rocco** to contact Gage Rondo’s family and ask for their wishes in honoring Gage – moment of
silence, jersey numbers, game/opening day dedication etc – **OPEN**
- **Rachel & Coree** to come up with a softball specific flyer to put in digital backpack and to remind
their basketball players
- **Beth** to distribute un-official minutes for text/email vote

- Next Board Meeting tentatively scheduled for: **Wednesday February 22nd**

Parking Lot:

Post Painting and Gravel in Spring