

Centennial Lakes Little League
Board Meeting
March 9th 2014 at 7PM

Meeting Called to Order @ 7:00 PM

1. Roll Call

Present: Pat Mahr, Tim Waldvogel, Mike Marso, Steve Klebba, Abby Pullman, Randy Frechette, Jen Wenzel, Dan Whelan, John Golden, Chris Reff, Chris Summerfield, Patty Preblich, Heidi Hansen

Absent: None

2. Registration numbers (Becky)

Total kids registered - 740

This is down from over 900 players last year.

Other associations are down as well. For example, Shoreview is down 40% and Hopkins is down 22%. It seems that many leagues are experiencing a decrease in numbers.

3. Player count for all leagues- most leagues are full

T-Ball- 16 spaces left

Minor- full

CPBB - full

International- 1 left

American- full

National - full

8U Softball – 2 left

10U and 12U full

A few players have been turned away because they signed up too late. We didn't have spots left for them.

4. Tryout and Draft Feedback

National League tryouts – went well

American League tryouts – no complaints received

International tryouts – some kids were trying out and it was their 1st time playing baseball

American Draft – went well

International Draft – went well

Minor Draft – really good draft.

Coach Pitch – again, draft went well

T-Ball- Heidi did a great job with her coaches meeting and draft

5. **Brian Raabe Clinic – input and feedback**

The attendance was really poor. Attendance was less than 50% of all coaches. We need to come up with a way to let the coaches know they need to come. Even if they have been to the clinic before there is still something to learn. Some coaches commented that Brian does a great job and they felt it was a valuable session.

6. **First Aid Clinic/Twins Lottery is March 24th form 6pm to 9pm**

The next meeting for all coaches is the First Aid Clinic and Lottery.

Heidi and Abby will help again with the lottery. They need to be here at 5:15 PM. Chris Summerfield and Patty will also help. Becky works that night so she will be there as well.

7. **New Business**

One rule will be changed in American League. It was approved to take out the rule that 5 runs by a team in an inning ends the half inning. We want to raise the level of American league play to be more like real baseball. When we play the other associations they don't have that rule. This will make the American League rules more in line with the National League.

Work is being done at the concession stand at Carl Eck.

A parent asked if the league could offer catching, hitting, or pitching clinics during March. We are unable to do this at this time because

the gym is full. We will talk to Complete Game about continuing clinics through March next year.

No meetings scheduled unless an emergency occurs

A gift was present to Pat Mahr for his 25 years of service to Centennial Lakes Little League. This gift was paid for by donations from board members. We wanted to thank him for all his hard work and dedication. He in-turned thanked the board for all they do as it makes his job a lot easier.



Meeting Adjourned @ 8:00