Deerfield Youth Baseball and Softball Association
December 3, 2012

Directors in Attendance: Lew Bricker, Karen Chanan, Paul Chanan, Mike Danielewicz, Jeff Fjeldheim, Greg Geren, Adam Gold, Greg Marvy, Jason Orleans, Todd Rubin, Beth Sciaretta, Tom Shapira, Michelle Wasserstrom, and David Yanow.

Others in attendance: Ken Grooms and Scott Shimamoto

The Commissioner called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the meeting of November 19, 2012 were approved.

Ken Grooms of Grooms Insurance Brokers described the coverage currently in place for DYBA and conditions and deductibles related to such coverage. The Board discussed additional named insureds and because the premium is based on the number of teams, the Board will investigate changing the policy period to commence March 1st (rather than January 1st) to get a more accurate count.

Registration. Mr. Bricker and Mr. Geren asked the Board members to cross-check the list of approved background checks for Board members, coaches and their respective committees and follow up as necessary.

Fundraising. Ms. Chanan discussed the potential for exclusive sponsorships to add additional revenue streams. Potential for travel team banners was also discussed.

Technology. Mr. Geren discussed issues with online payment and registration for travel related to imposed credit card fees plus a registration fee. The Board will consider options to online registration to avoid these costs.

House Softball. Ms. Wasserstrom and Mr. Orleans indicated they are working on assembling leadership for the respective softball leagues. There will be two free clinics in February and two free clinics in March.

Publicity. Mr. Bricker indicated he had interviewed two candidates for the position of Director of Publicity and following interviews by the Assistant Commissioner, will make a recommendation to the Board. The Board encouraged a recommendation within the next two weeks, followed by an online vote of the Board in order for the new Director of Publicity to begin work as soon as possible.

Bylaws. Mr. Shapira indicated he is working on amending the bylaws.

Travel Baseball. The Board discussed the decision to move the 8-10U teams to MSBL. Some directors were concerned that the move would adversely affect participation in the House League. The Board also discussed what decisions need to be approved by the Board as a whole, rather than by individual directors.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas B. Shapira
Secretary