



**Deerfield Youth Baseball and Softball Association
Meeting of the Board of Directors
2015 Annual Meeting, Jewett Park
October 19, 2015**

Directors in Attendance: Lew Bricker, Jim Conzemius, Jamie Izaks, Chris Nickel, Todd Rubin, Gregg Orloff, Mike Danielewicz, Megan Kaplan, Paul Chanan, Jeff Fjeldheim, Tom Siciliano, and Dan McGrath.

Guests in Attendance: Mike Strauss, Jon Gault, Mike Irvine, Art Silverman, Adam Gold, Harry Steindler, Howard Zuber

Meeting called to order: The Commissioner called the meeting to order, and requested each Director to provide an annual status report:

Secretary: Mr. Chanan reported that as Secretary he had a productive year. The DYBA picture day went smoothly and was a success, and the collaboration with fundraising was positive.

Assistant Commissioner: Mr. Fjeldheim reported a positive experience, and excitement for the upcoming season.

Immediate Past Commissioner: Mr. Bricker reported on DYBA's successful experience in the July 4 parade.

Technology: The Commissioner reported on behalf of Technology that this area is working well, and that registration and the website are running productively.

Baseball: Mr. Orloff reports baseball achieved many successes, including various changes to structures and leagues. He reports all changes appeared well received, especially those relating to the new Pony structure, and the changes made allowing for more competitive play at the younger levels.

Softball: Mr. Conzemius reported on the array of successes in softball, including winter clinics and various special activities.

Travel Softball: The Commissioner reported on behalf of Travel Softball that there is significant interest in Deerfield Travel Softball at the younger levels, and the program is on a positive trajectory.

Travel Baseball: Mr. Rubin reported that the Travel Baseball program achieved many successes, including numerous tournament wins among its 15 teams. Recent tryouts were

completed, and new teams were chosen. He reports further that the collaboration regarding travel/house was strong and led to smoothly run scheduling.

Equipment: Mrs. Kaplan reported a positive year in her department. She accomplished a reorganization of the shed, a new security system, shed management April through August, and well-organized uniforms ordering and distribution.

Fields: Mr. McGrath reported on continued positive relations with our Park District, as well as generally on the ongoing renovations and maintenance of the baseball fields and facilities.

Umpires: Mr. Siciliano reported on the successes with umpire training, scheduling, and procedure.

Treasurer: The Commissioner reported on behalf of the Treasurer of the successes had in the department, and how the Treasurer worked and collaborated with many Directors to make the financial operations run smoothly and effectively.

Publicity: Mr. Izaks reported that DYBA's publicity is trending well, that there were many stories and ads run throughout the season, and that our social media presence is growing.

Fundraising: Mr. Nickel reported that during this transition year, we managed a very positive experience for our sponsors, and that he continues to work on his plan to re-structure the department and initiate new fundraising programs.

Presentation of Slate: The Commissioner presented for membership vote the 2015-16 Director Slate:

Commissioner:	Mike Danielewicz
Assistant Commissioner:	Jeff Fjeldheim
Immediate Past Commissioner:	Lew Bricker
Secretary:	Paul Chanan
Treasurer:	Art Silverman
Equipment:	Megan Kaplan
Umpires:	Mike Strauss
Fields:	Jon Gault
Publicity:	Jamie Izaks
Fundraising:	Chris Nickel
Technology/Registration:	Harry Steindler
Baseball:	Mike Irvine
Softball:	Jim Conzemius
Travel Baseball:	Adam Gold
Travel Softball:	Dan McGrath

The above slate was approved.

Presentation of outgoing Directors: The Commissioner presented plaques for outstanding service to the children of Deerfield to outgoing Directors Tom Siciliano, Gregg Orloff, Todd Rubin, Greg Geren, Kevin McKinney, David Arenberg, and Beth Kraemer.

Documents: Mr. Bricker handed out and went through various documents with the 2015-16 Directors, including conflict statements.

Closed Session: The Board went to closed session and approved several coaches for both travel baseball and softball, all pending background checks. Also approved was a new scheduler to replace Mike Strauss.

Return to Open Session.

New Business: None.

Next Meeting: To be announced.

Motion to Adjourn: Passed.

Respectfully,


Paul H. Chanan
Secretary